

Spokane Plan Commission - Minutes

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

Hybrid Meeting in Council Briefing Center & Microsoft Teams Teleconference

Meeting Minutes: Plan Commission Workshop called to order at 2:00 pm by President Greg Francis.

Public Comment: Citizens are invited to address the Plan Commission on any topic not on the agenda. 3 Minutes each.

- None

Attendance for Plan Commission Workshop:

- Board Members Present: Greg Francis, Ryan Patterson, Jesse Bank, David Edwards, Sandra Neperud, Carole Shook, Tyler Tamoush, Tim Williams, Jill Yotz
- Board Members Not Present: Amber Lenhart
- Non-Voting Members Present: Kitty Klitzke (Council Member Liaison)
- Non-Voting Members Not present: Mary Winkes (Community Assembly Liaison)
- *Quorum Present:* Yes
- Staff Members Present: Spencer Gardner, Tim Thompson, Angie McCall, Emily King, Della Mutungi, Brandon Whitmarsh, Tim Fischer, Teri Stripes, KayCee Downey, Maren Murphy, Colin Quinn-Hurst, Kevin Freibott, Tirrell Black, Jackie Churchill

Minutes: Minutes from 12/11/2024 approved unanimously.

Briefing Session:

- **Transportation Commission Liaison Report - Ryan Patterson**
 - Ryan discussed the topics that were presented at the last Transportation Commission meeting. The Accelerated Mobility Playbook and Safe Streets project were both discussed. Additionally, there will be a community input survey for people to suggest places they want to see improvements. In early 2025, there will be more public outreach.
- **Commission President Report - Greg Francis/Jesse Bank**
 - President Francis discussed that he would not be renewing his term. Commissioner Neperud nominated Vice-President Patterson as president, Vice-President Patterson nominated Commissioner Bank as president. Each candidate discussed why they may be interested in the position.
 - Jesse Bank was nominated as Plan Commission President in a closed ballot vote, 5 to 4.
 - President Bank continued the election process for Vice President. Commissioner Francis nominated Commissioner Patterson as Vice-President. There were no other nominations.
 - President Bank announced Ryan Patterson as vice-president.
- **Secretary Report - Spencer Gardner**
 - Spencer mentioned that Transportation Commission formally added Plan Commission as a liaison group, and that Vice-President Patterson was approved as the liaison.
- **Council Liaison Report - Kitty Klitzke**
 - CM Klitzke mentioned that Council adopted a new budget.
 - CM Klitzke discussed that she will likely be on a committee that may conflict with the beginning of Plan Commission. She could join later or send CM Zappone in her place. It was

agreed upon that CM Klitzke could join when she can and give her report once she joins the meeting.

- Fire code is being updated; fire marshals want a five-foot gap between everything. CM Klitzke didn't have a lot of information, but it sounds like townhomes would not be legal and would go against updated fire codes. CM Klitzke wants the fire marshals to talk to other stakeholders about this.
- There are some concerns about parking in the Garland area. As this evolves, we may want to have a menu of options for solutions. This is something to keep an eye on as it goes on.

Current Agenda: The current agenda was approved unanimously.

Workshop(s):

- Division TOD Update
 - Presentation provided by staff member Colin Quinn-Hurst.
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.
- West Central Infrastructure Project Economic Impact Analysis Review
 - Presentation provided by Wende Wilbur, Principal, Kittleson & Associates.
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.
- Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update: Chapter Update Framework and EIS Check-In
 - Presentation provided by Tirrell Black.
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.
- Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update: Racially Disparate Impacts Analysis in Housing
 - Presentation provided by Maren Murphy.
 - Questions asked and answered.
 - Discussion ensued.

Workshop Adjourned at 4:00 PM.

The next regularly scheduled Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 22, 2025.