

# Spokane Plan Commission - Minutes

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

Hybrid Meeting in Council Briefing Center & Microsoft Teams Teleconference

Meeting Minutes: Plan Commission Workshop called to order at 2:01 pm by Vice President Ryan Patterson.

**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:**

- Commission Members Present: Ryan Patterson, David Edwards, Greg Francis, Amber Lenhart, Carole Shook, Tyler Tamoush, Tim Williams, Jill Yotz
- Commission Members Not Present: Jesse Bank
- *Quorum Present:* Yes
- Non-Voting Members Present: Mary Winkes (Community Assembly Liaison)
- Non-Voting Members Not present: Kitty Klitzke (Council Member Liaison)
- Staff Members Present: Angie McCall, Spencer Gardner, Tirrell Black, Kevin Freibott, KayCee Downey, Colin Quinn-Hurst, Brandon Whitmarsh, Tim Thompson, Maren Murphy, Tyler Kimbrell, Sarah Sirott, Nicole White

**Minutes:** Minutes from 5/28/2025 approved unanimously.

## **Briefing Session:**

- **Commission President Report - VP Ryan Patterson in President Bank's Absence**
  - Of possible interest, it looks as though the planning department at EWU has been paying for advertising on YouTube for their planning program while touting all of the things that Spokane has done. They have been stating that this will give students an opportunity to join in city and surrounding area affairs. They also mention that many students stay in Spokane but also get employed with other cities.
- **Transportation Commission Liaison Report - Ryan Patterson**
  - No report as there was not a Transportation Commission meeting since the last Plan Commission meeting.
- **City Council Liaison Report - Kitty Klitzke (Absent)**
  - No report due to absence.
- **Community Assembly Liaison Report - Mary Winkes**
  - Mary reported that Tirrell Black and Kevin Freibott presented to the Community Assembly what is going on with the Neighborhood Chapter of the Comprehensive Plan and the process in general. Afterwards there was some discussion as to whether they wanted to give input individually or a collective CA response. This will be decided at the next meeting. There may end up being a committee formed to review it.
- **Secretary Report - Spencer Gardner**
  - Spencer stated that we just finished a Minecraft activity with Frances Scott Elementary School. The kids loved it, and it was quite a success. We may look to do a similar type of outreach in the fall when school starts up again.
  - Spencer also noted that President Bank is absent today and sends his apologies, but he will be back to his regular schedule after this.

- Reminder that there is a hearing today on the Complete Streets Ordinance after the workshops.
- ADU amendments were adopted a week and a half ago unanimously by City Council making that complete.
- He reminded everyone that we had to make modifications to the dates of the subcommittee meetings including: Meeting #4 was inadvertently scheduled on the Juneteenth holiday (June 19<sup>th</sup>) and was moved to June 18<sup>th</sup>, Meeting #5 was scheduled for June 30<sup>th</sup> and was moved to July 3<sup>rd</sup>, Meeting #6 has not changed and is scheduled for July 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Current Agenda:** The current agenda was approved unanimously.

**Workshop(s):**

- PlanSpokane 2046: Update
  - Presentation provided by staff member Tirrell Black.
  - Questions asked and answered.
  - Discussion ensued.
- Addressing Code Revisions
  - Presentation provided by staff member Spencer Gardner.
  - Questions asked and answered.
  - Discussion ensued.
- Division Transit Oriented Development
  - Presentation provided by staff member Colin Quinn-Hurst.
  - Questions asked and answered.
  - Discussion ensued.
- East Central/5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Subarea Plan Update
  - Presentation provided by staff member Maren Murphy.
  - Questions asked and answered.
  - Discussion ensued.

Workshop Adjourned at 3:48 PM.

Hybrid Meeting in City Hall Council Chambers & Microsoft Teams Teleconference for Plan Commission Hearing

Meeting Minutes: Plan Commission Hearing called to order at 4:00 pm by Vice President Ryan Patterson.

**Attendance for Plan Commission Hearing:**

- Commission Members Present: VP Ryan Patterson, David Edwards, Greg Francis, Amber Lenhart, Carole Shook, Tyler Tamoush, Tim Williams, Jill Yotz
- Commission Members Not Present: Jesse Bank
- *Quorum Present: Yes*
- Non-Voting Members Present: Mary Winkes (Community Assembly Liaison)
- Non-Voting Members Not Present: CM Kitty Klitzke
- Staff Members Present: Angie McCall, Spencer Gardner, Jon Snyder, Colin Quinn-Hurst, Sarah Sirott

## Hearing:

- Complete Streets Ordinance
  - Presentation provided by Jon Snyder.
  - Questions asked and answered.
  - Discussion ensued.
  - Public Testimony: Paul Kropp
  - Public Testimony was closed by VP Patterson.

### **Motion 1**

- *I [Commissioner Greg Francis] move to recommend adoption of the changes to the Complete Streets Ordinance as written and presented. Seconded by Commissioner Williams.*
- Commissioner Shook made the suggestion that we [the Plan Commission] consider striking the “paving the unpaved streets” as part of the street project definition [page 5 of the proposed Complete Streets Ordinance Section 17H.020.015 Definitions – Street Project].
- Discussion ensued and clarifying questions answered.
- Commissioner Shook rescinded her suggestion as previously mentioned.
- Deliberation continued and questions asked and answered.

### **Motion 2 - Amendment**

- *I [Commissioner Greg Francis] move to add to the findings of fact that city staff shall review Mr. Kropp’s language suggestions for 17H.020.055.A1, A2, A3 and A4. Seconded by Commissioner Tamoush.*
- Additional deliberation ensued.
- **Amendment voice vote does not pass: 2-6-0.**

**Commissioner Francis’ original motion (documented as Motion 1) passes 7-0-1.**

Hearing Adjourned at 4:56 PM.

The next regularly scheduled Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 25, 2025.