

# Spokane Plan Commission - Minutes

Wednesday, July 9, 2025

Hybrid Meeting in Council Briefing Center & Microsoft Teams Teleconference

Meeting Minutes: Plan Commission Workshop called to order at 2:02 pm by President Jesse Bank.

**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: President Jesse Bank, VP Ryan Patterson, David Edwards, Greg Francis, Amber Lenhart, Carole Shook, Tyler Tamoush, Tim Williams, Jill Yotz
- Commission Members Not Present: None
- *Quorum Present:* Yes
- Non-Voting Members Present: Kitty Klitzke (Council Member Liaison), Mary Winkes (Community Assembly Liaison)
- Non-Voting Members Not present: None
- Staff Members Present: Angie McCall, Spencer Gardner, Kevin Freibott, Tim Thompson, KayCee Downey, Tirrell Black, Maren Murphy, Brandon Whitmarsh, Sarah Sirott

**Minutes:** Minutes from 6/25/2025 approved unanimously.

## **Briefing Session:**

- **Commission President Report - Jesse Bank**
  - Jesse stated that they [Plan Commission] are continuing to move through the chapter review process and wanted to thank everyone for this heavy lift. He looks forward to the final meeting of the subcommittee next Thursday at 10:30am in Conference Room 3B in City Hall.
  - He also mentioned that he has been discussing the interview committee for the Plan Commissioner vacancy with Spencer. He looks forward to getting those underway in the relatively near future so that they can get that vacancy filled.
- **Transportation Commission Liaison Report - Ryan Patterson**
  - Ryan stated that there was no report as there has not been a meeting since the last Plan Commission. The next meeting next week is cancelled for their summer break therefore, there will not be an update until September.
- **City Council Liaison Report - Kitty Klitzke**
  - CM Klitzke mentioned that there is a Growth Management Steering Committee meeting coming up. Also, the Washington State Traffic Safety Summit is next week in Spokane as well. If you are interested in the intersection of land use and transportation you may want to consider attending the summit. She will report back to the Plan Commission what she learned from these two meetings/summits.
- **Community Assembly Liaison Report - Mary Winkes**
  - Mary stated that their meeting was postponed for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday therefore, there is no report.
- **Secretary Report - Spencer Gardner**
  - Spencer stated that at a previous meeting they voted to move some items to hearings. These hearings are not today but will be held at the next Plan Commission meeting on July 23, 2025.

- Plan Commission Chapter Review Subcommittee meeting location on July 17, 2025, has been moved from the Tribal Conference Room to Conference Room 3B in the Development Services Center (in City Hall).
- Commissioner Francis asked Spencer whether the Plan Commission was going to have a meeting the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday in August or not. He replied with the August 27<sup>th</sup> meeting is confirmed as cancelled for a summer break.

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

**Workshop(s):**

- Excelsior Wellness Development Agreement Workshop, Request for Hearing
  - Presentation provided by staff member Kevin Freibott.
  - Questions asked and answered.
  - Discussion ensued.
  - **Motion: [Commissioner Francis] Motion to move Excelsior Wellness Development Agreement to hearing. Seconded by Vice President Patterson.**  
Questions asked and answered.  
Discussion ensued.  
**Motion fails, 1-8-0.**

Upon being asked questions by the Plan Commission, the applicant clarified some of the discussion items and answered said questions.

**Motion 2: I'll [Ryan Patterson] move it [Excelsior Wellness Development Agreement] this time to send it to hearing. Seconded by Greg Francis.**  
Questions asked and answered.  
Discussion ensued.  
**Motion passes unanimously, 9-0-0.**

- Housing by Income Bracket ([PlanSpokane 2046](#))
  - Presentation provided by Planning Director Kevin Freibott.
  - Questions asked and answered.
  - Discussion ensued.

Workshops Adjourned at 4:03 PM.

The next regularly scheduled Plan Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 23, 2025.