

**CITY OF SPOKANE PLAN COMMISSION
FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS
REGARDING NOTICING REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS AND
PLANNING-RELATED ACTIONS**

A recommendation of the City of Spokane Plan Commission to the City Council related to noticing requirements for development applications and noticing for proposed amendments to the development code and comprehensive plan; and amending SMC sections 17G.020.060 and .070, 17G.025.010, and 17G.061.010 and .210, and adopting a new section 17G.025.020.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

- A. The City of Spokane adopted a Comprehensive Plan in May of 2001 that complies with the requirements of the Growth Management Act (GMA) as set forth in RCW 36.70A.
- B. No public comments were received in advance of the hearing and no public testimony was given at the hearing.
- C. The proposal is strictly limited to government procedures, will have no direct impact on the built environment, and is categorically exempt from SEPA under WAC 197-11-800.
- D. A legal notice of public hearing was published in the *Spokesman-Review* on 9/30/25 and 10/7/25.

CONCLUSIONS:

Based upon the staff presentations, briefing materials, associated studies, and agency and public comment, the Spokane Plan Commission makes the following conclusions with respect to the proposal:

- 1. The Plan Commission finds that the proposed amendments bear a substantial relation to the public health, safety, welfare, and protection of the environment pursuant to the requirements outlined in 17G.025.010(J).
- 2. Interested agencies and the public have had opportunities to participate throughout the process and persons desiring to comment were given an opportunity to comment.
- 3. The Plan Commission finds that the proposal improves clarity around requirements for providing public notice for various project types.
- 4. The Plan Commission finds that the proposed amendments are consistent with the applicable provisions of the Comprehensive Plan, particularly the following adopted goals and policies:
 - a. LGC 1.3 Citizen Participation
 - b. LGC 4.1 Dissemination of Public Information

RECOMMENDATION:

Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Recommendations

In the matter of the proposal to amend the aforementioned sections of the Spokane Municipal Code, as based on the above listed findings and conclusions, by vote of 7-0, the Spokane Plan Commission takes the following actions:

1. Recommends to the Spokane City Council the **APPROVAL** of the proposal.
2. Recommends that the City endeavor to advertise these proposed changes broadly for public awareness.
3. Authorizes the President to prepare and sign on the Commission's behalf a written decision setting forth the Plan Commission's findings, conclusions, and recommendations on the proposed amendments.

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Spokane Plan Commission

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