



Spokane Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee Agenda

Meeting Scheduled for 12/7/2021

At 9:00 AM

Virtual

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Public Comment Period:

3 minutes each Citizens are invited to address the Subcommittee on any topic not on the agenda

Briefing Session:

9:00 - 9:30	1) Approval of the 11/2/2021 Meeting Minutes	
	2) Chair Report	Clifford Winger
	3) Secretary Report	Louis Meuler
	4) Council Liaison Report	Michael Cathcart
	5) Stakeholder Report	

Workshops:

9:30 - 10:00	DivisionConnects Study Update	Jason Lien – SRTC
10:00 - 10:30	Roadways of Significance Definition - Discussion	Kevin Picanco

Adjournment:

Next Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee is scheduled for 1/4/2022

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Louis Meuler at
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Spokane PC Transportation Sub-Committee

- Draft Minutes

November 2, 2021

City Council Briefing Center

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM by Clifford Winger

Attendance:

- Subcommittee Members Present: Clifford Winger (Chair), Mary Winkes (Vice Chair), Charles Hansen, Paul Kropp, Raychel Callary, Eve McMenamy, Charlene Kay, Mike Tresidder, Rhonda Young, Todd Beyreuther, Cindy Green
- Subcommittee Members Not Present: John Vansant
- Non-Voting Subcommittee Members Not-Present: Council Member Michael Cathcart
- *Quorum Present: yes*
- Staff Members Present: Louis Meuler, Jackie Churchill, Kevin Picanco, Tirrell Black, Colin Quinn-Hurst, Shauna Harshman

Public Comment:

None

Briefing Session:

Minutes from the October 5, 2021 meeting approved unanimously with correction to Rachel Callary's entry time to meeting.

1. Chair Report - Clifford Winger

- Mr. Winger reported that the United Nations Climate Change conference is happening in Scotland. The USA will be implementing legislation to make the US greenhouse gas neutral by 2050.

2. Secretary Report - Louis Meuler

- Mr. Meuler reported that Michelle Pappas joined the PCTS as the representative from Futurewise.
- Mr. Meuler also reported that the City was awarded a Housing Plan Implementation grant as well as a Transportation Oriented Development implementation grant from Washington Commerce.
- Mr. Meuler reported that the City partnered with STA for a Federal Transportation Oriented Development implementation grant as a region for implementation along Division Street.

3. Council Liaison Report - Michael Cathcart

- None

4. Stakeholders Report -

- Paul Kropp, Neighborhood Alliance - Mr. Kropp stated that there are County Wide Planning policies that were made in 1995 and are due to be updated.
- Rachel Callary, Lilac Services for the Blind - Ms. Callary reported that October 15 was Blind Americans Equality day and City Council wrote a proclamation celebrating continued improvements to access. She was glad to see the continuation of barriers being removed for people of vision loss and pedestrians in general.
- Cindy Green, Spokane Regional Health District (SRHD)- Ms. Green reported that she has been working with Inga Note in developing a nomination to submit to Transportation Improvement Board for complete streets. They will know in March if they were successful.

- Mike Tresidder, Spokane Transit Authority (STA)- Mr. Tresidder reported that STA is wrapping up construction on the City Line. The Cheney Line opened the Four Lakes station. The Electric bus is in service along the Monroe-Regal line. Also, Division Connects has a story board and questionnaire on the Division Connects website about land use along the Division Corridor.
- Charlene Kay, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) - Ms. Kay thanked City Council for hosting a study session about Transportation and Land use. She also thanked Shauna Harshman and Kara Odegard for presenting best practices at between agencies. WSDOT is wrapping up west plains subarea study and preparing a Palouse study about freight. WSDOT is also continuing its study efforts around I-90.
- Rhonda Young, Bicycle Advisory Board (BAB) - Ms. Young reported that the BAB has been looking at construction detours. The Upriver Drive detour has caused consternation among bicyclists but has led to conversation about connectivity during construction. The BAB also looked at 2022 street resurfacing plan. Maple and Ash are slated for resurfacing and may be a window of opportunity to reallocate street space for a protected bicycle lane. The BAB has also engaged in safety discussions and had started looking at crash data and mission zero efforts.
- Charles Hansen, Whitman Neighborhood Council, PeTT Committee - Mr. Hansen went to an open house regarding use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds and part of the economic development plan includes adding infrastructure to East Hillyard.
- Eve McMenemy SRTC- Ms. McMenemy reported that the SRTC Board will be looking at and acting on the unified list of transportation priorities, a participation plan, US 95/I-90 study and the Horizon 2040 in December.

Workshops/Presentations:

1. **Metropolitan Transportation Plan**
 - Presentation provided by Mike Ulrich
 - Questions asked and answered
 - Discussion ensued
2. **Roadways of Significance Definition Draft**
 - Presentation provided by Kevin Picanco
 - Questions asked and answered
 - Discussion ensued

Meeting Adjourned at 10:14 AM

Next Plan Commission Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 7, 2021

DIVISIONCONNECTS – A TRANSPORTATION & LAND USE STUDY IN THE NORTH DIVISION STREET CORRIDOR



What: DivisionConnects is a collaborative 2-year transportation and land use study, led by Spokane Regional Transportation Council (SRTC) and Spokane Transit Authority (STA), in partnership with the City of Spokane, Spokane County, and WSDOT.

The first phase of the study concluded in Spring 2021 and identified a preferred alternative for bus rapid transit (BRT) along Division Street (connecting downtown Spokane to past the North Division 'Y'). The second and final phase of the study, currently underway, is looking at land use opportunities that can leverage the future transit investment as well as supportive active transportation connections along and through the Division Street corridor.

How to Participate: The study currently has two online opportunities available to learn more and provide input:

- [Land Use StoryMap & Questionnaire](#) – Open through December 15, this StoryMap looks for feedback on areas along Division Street that may have potential for future land use improvements in alignment with BRT investment.
- [Active Transportation Map & Questionnaire](#) – Open through December 31, this map displays potential active transportation projects within the study area (for people walking, biking, or rolling) and asks for feedback on what the community sees as higher priority projects.

Links to these public engagement opportunities, as well as additional study information, are accessible through the project website – divisionconnects.org. Final study recommendations will conclude in Spring 2022.

'Roadways of Significance'

Context / Background:

- Applies to Arterials Only
- Consider an alternative selection process for a limited number of projects that don't score well within the Rebuild Matrix.



'Roadways of Significance'

Discussion Items:

- Filters or Categories to be used?
 1. Maintain Economic Development? (Original Criteria of Roadways of Significance)
 2. Add Equity?
 3. Add any Others?
- Maintain limited number of projects in program?
 - One or Two Per Council district?
- Maintain Focus project scope on primary reason for jumping the queue? (Econ Development projects only, not Equity)
 - Standard for limited construction?



'Roadways of Significance'



Economic Development Projects

- Provide a unique Economic Development opportunity
- Are located in a Council-defined area targeted for economic growth - PDAs
- Don't score well on the matrix today
- Where could this be applied today:
 - The Yard (NEPDA)
 - West Plains PDA
- Approach
 - Council must approve bumping the project higher on the Matrix
 - **Deal with most pressing elements first – limited scope**
 - Add integrated elements over time, as the area is built out and funding becomes available
 - Freya in The Yard



'Roadways of Significance'



Equity Projects

- Projects that don't score well on the matrix today
 - Located in area with higher than average Vulnerable Populations as defined by SRTC's Social Equity Mapping Tool.
 - Includes multimodal improvements that serve an area of extensive residential population adjacent to an arterial corridor.
 - Improves access to commercial, activity, or employment center.
 - Focus on Centers and Corridors located in area with Vulnerable Populations as defined by SRTC Social Equity Tool.
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- Sample Projects:
 - West Broadway in West Central
 - Recent Projects: North Monroe, East Sprague
 - Approach
 - Council must approve bumping the project higher on the Matrix
 - **Multimodal and Complete Streets elements included**

