

Spokane Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee Minutes

November 1, 2022

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, Michelle Pappas, Cindy Green
- Subcommittee Members Not Present: Todd Beyreuther,
- Non-Voting Subcommittee Members Not Present: Council Member Jonathan Bingle
- *Quorum Present: yes*
- Staff Members Present: Colin Quinn-Hurst, Jackie Churchill, Tyler Kimbrell, Katherine Miller, Kevin Picanco

Public Comment:

None

Briefing Session:

Minutes from the June 7, 2022 meeting approved unanimously.

1. Chair Report - Clifford Winger

- Mr. Winger reported that the Friends of Centennial Trail will not join the PCTS as a full member but will take part in meetings as needed.
- Mr. Winger also stated that PCTS meetings will continue to meet every month as long as there are items on the agenda. The PCTS will not meet on months that do not have agenda items.

2. Secretary Report - Colin Quinn-Hurst

- Mr. Quinn-Hurst added that PCTS members should propose items that they are interested in to be added to upcoming meeting agendas. Planner Tyler Kimbrell is scheduled in December to present about the new parking code.
- Mr. Quinn-Hurst stated that there were two recent hires in the Planning Department: Principal Planner Tim Thompson and Assistant Planner I Brandon Whitmarsh.
- On this upcoming Thursday, Planner Maren Murphy will present to City Council about the South Logan Transit Oriented Development project. Additionally, the City is working on "Resolution Zero" which is a resolution to pursue zero fatalities in car crashes and will hopefully be eligible for grant funding.
- Finally, the construction of the protected bike lanes on Riverside Avenue is almost complete and upcoming in December will be the inaugural ride.

3. Council Liaison Report - Johnathan Bingle

- None

4. Stakeholders Report -

- Michelle Pappas, Futurewise - none
- Paul Kropp, Neighborhood Alliance, commented that the PCTS can help give guidance to the City of Spokane on which transportation projects to create and work on. Paul Kropp also took part in the equity discussion about transportation at the Spokane Regional Transportation Council (SRTC) equity framework and would like to know if Spokane will have projects of significance that will include equity considerations.

- Rachel Callary stated that improperly parked lime scooters and bikes are a continuing issue to the accessibility of sidewalks.
- Mike Tresidder, Spokane Transit Authority (STA), stated that amenities are now being installed at different City Line stations including art installations. Additionally, STA is advertising about the Connect Cards, which can be physical or accessed by app, and are used for bus ridership. STA is also giving free rides throughout November and is currently holding survey on rider satisfaction.
- Charlene Kay, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), stated that WSDOT is working on creating complete streets for all projects that are \$500,000 or more. WSDOT has a draft of its community engagement plan that is available for review and can be seen online. WSDOT is working on finishing the North Spokane Corridor and Children of the Sun trail and is developing and maintaining community around these areas. Working with Commerce in response to lease land legislation and looking for land for affordable housing around the North Spokane Corridor.
- Rhonda Young, Bicycle Advisory Board (BAB), reported that the BAB held a mobile meeting in September, and they explored the Indian Trail area in north Spokane. They saw some challenges and some good things about the area. The BAB has been compiling criteria and data creating a ranked project list in order to highlight projects that are most critical. Construction detours need to be kept track of and monitored.
- Charles Hansen, Whitman Neighborhood Council, PeTT Committee, reported that the Citizen Transportation Advisory Board (CTAB) creating a list of potholes that need to be fixed on roads throughout Spokane.
- Eve McMenemy, Spokane Regional Transportation Council (SRTC), reported that SRTC is working on creating a unified list of regional priorities. The SRTC Board approved their TIP which is a list of projects that will be implemented over the next four years.
- Cindy Green, Spokane Regional Health District (SRHD), reported that SRHC will post a job opening for a Community Health Improvement Coordinator. The focus of the job will be to work on the built environment and active transportation.

Workshops/Presentations:

1. Equity Considerations in Regional Call for Projects

- Presentation provided by Michael Redlinger, SRTC
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

2. Division Streets Projects

- Presentation provided by City Staff, and Jason Lien, SRTC, Mike Tresidder, STA (Division BRT)
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

Meeting Adjourned at 10:15 am

Next Plan Commission Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 6, 2022