

Spokane Plan Commission Transportation Sub-Committee Minutes

October 3, 2023

City Council Briefing Center

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

Attendance:

- Subcommittee Members Present: Clifford Winger (Chair), Charles Hansen, Paul Kropp, Raychel Callary, Eve McMenamy, Charlene Kay, Mike Tresidder, Samantha Hennessy Jennifer Soto
- Subcommittee Members Not Present: Mary Winkes (Vice Chair), Michelle Pappas, Pablo Monsivais
- Non-Voting Subcommittee Members Present:
- Non-Voting Subcommittee Members Not Present: Council Member Jonathan Bingle
- *Quorum Present: yes*
- Staff Members Present: Colin Quinn-Hurst, Tyler Kimbrell, Ryan Shea

Public Comment:

None

Briefing Session:

Minutes from the September 5, 2023 meeting approved.

1. Chair Report - Clifford Winger

- Clifford reported on a PBS special he watched about the first cross country automobile trip in 1903 and the impact of motor vehicles on human-powered transportation.
- Cliff is also working on efforts with the City to improve the snow removal program for bicycle lanes.

2. Secretary Report - Colin Quinn-Hurst

- Colin Quinn-Hurst informed the committee about a Bike Town Hall on Friday, 10/6 with State Senator Andy Billig.
- There will be an SRTC Summit on October 19th
- There is an upcoming Lighthouse for the Blind event to highlight infrastructure accessibility and challenges as part of White Cane Day.

3. Council Liaison Report - Johnathan Bingle

- Absent

4. Stakeholders Report -

- Paul Kropp, Neighborhood Alliance - Paul Kropp reported that the Lincoln Heights neighborhood council has made progress on traffic calming measures through the use pedestrian street designation on 29th Ave between Market St and Fiske St. This has been added to the Plan Commission work plan.
- Rachel Callary, Citizen-At-Large - October 15th is White Cane Day and Blind Americans equality day. An event will be held on October 13 to highlight accessible infrastructure successes and challenges by the Lighthouse for the Blind.
- Mike Tressider, Spokane Transit Authority - STA has submitted a grant application in coordination with the City of Spokane and Spokane Valley to connect Liberty Park to Edgecliff Park. The STA board PMER committee meeting is tomorrow, 10/4, and a

draft of service revisions for 2024 will be presented. Public comment will be accepted through November for the preliminary proposal and from December through January for comments on the draft recommendation. Implementation is expected in May 2024.

- Eve McMenemy, Spokane Regional Transportation Council - The SRTC approved their Unified List of Transportation Priorities at its last meeting with a federal package forthcoming. The council is also moving forward on the next four-year TIP process. Eve provided additional information on the SRTC summit on October 19th.
- Samantha Hennessy, Spokane Regional Health District - Samantha informed the committee that this week is National Week Without Driving which encourages people to use alternatives to personal vehicle transportation. SRHD is working on a three-part webinar series for city planners and engineers with more information to follow.
- Charles Hansen, Community Assembly PeTT Committee - Charles reported that the PeTT committee met regarding lack of sidewalks around Peperzak Middle School and other regional schools.
 - Discussion ensued regarding pedestrian access surrounding schools.
- Jennifer Soto, Spokane Public Schools - Jennifer reported that pedestrian access is a priority for SPS. SPS is currently working on access improvements for Chief Garry Park, and safety improvement in North Central.
- Charlene Kay, WSDOT - None
- Kris Neely, Plan Commission - None

Workshops/Presentations:

1. Shared Mobility Vendor - Request for Proposals

- Presentation provided by Colin Quinn-Hurst
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

Meeting Adjourned at 10:16 AM

Next Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 7, 2023