

Spokane Plan Commission Transportation Sub-Committee Minutes

May 7, 2024

City Council Briefing Center

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 9:01 AM by Clifford Winger

Attendance:

- Subcommittee Members Present: Clifford Winger (Chair), Mary Winkes (Vice-Chair), Charles Hansen, Raychel Callary, Samantha Hennessy, Ryan Patterson, Char Kay, Pablo Monsivais & Eve McMenamy, Paul Kropp
- Subcommittee Members Not Present: Michelle Pappas, Jennifer Soto, Lukas Yanni,
- Non-Voting Subcommittee Members Present: Colin Quinn-Hurst (Secretary), Council Representative Abbey Martin,
- Non-Voting Subcommittee Members Not Present: Council Member Kitty Klitzke *None*
- *Quorum Present: yes*
- Staff Members Present: Colin Quinn-Hurst, Tyler Kimbrell, Angie McCall, Della Mutungi

Public Comment:

- None

Briefing Session:

Minutes from the April 2, 2024 meeting were approved 8-0-1.

1. Chair Report - Clifford Winger

- Clifford reported that there is a proposed Transportation Commission that has been presented to City Council and the Mayor. He stated that if this passes this committee (PCTS) would “roll” into that Commission as he understands it. It most likely will not happen until summertime. Cliff gave thanks for all that have been attending these meetings. One of the highlights that has come out of PCTS has been a grant in the amount of 9 million dollars to Integrated Capital Management for Safe Streets for All.

2. Secretary Report - Colin Quinn-Hurst

- Colin shared the following:
 - There is outreach going on right now with the [South Logan Transit Oriented Development Study](#). Tyler Kimbrell and KayCee Downey are at neighborhood coffee shops (upcoming on Thursday, 5/23/24, and some Saturdays at Arctos Coffee).
 - The Centers and Corridors Study has an [online survey](#) right now, that is open until May 31, 2024. They did a couple of open houses already. One open house was with real estate professionals and one with the general public.
 - Next week is Bike to Work week. On Wednesday, May 15, 2024, the Mayor will lead a [morning ride and on Friday there will be another ride midday from Corban Park and Energizer Stations](#). Then the following week will be the [Bicycle Advisory Board mobile meeting](#) starting at Grant Park.

- Our department received a grant from the Department of Commerce to do the climate element of the [Comprehensive Plan](#). This will be starting sometime this summer but there is a transportation component to be on watch for.

3. Council Liaison Report - Kitty Klitzke

- CM Klitzke reported that she is currently working on a sidewalk utility. She met with those focused on policy of which they are looking to possibly advocate for a pilot project to the legislature for next year. Ideally, they would scope a program on a 25 or 28-year rotation where they repair and infill a percentage of the sidewalks that would get up to completion within this time frame. They are attempting to make sure that it is affordable to rate payers. Our Utilities department is looking into short-term solutions.

4. Stakeholders Report -

- Paul Kropp, Neighborhood Alliance - *Absent*
- Eve McMenamy, Spokane Regional Transportation Council -
 - Eve reported that the SRTC is continuing to work on a [regional safety action plan](#).
 - The board approved criteria for their unified list. The Regional Transportation Agency creates a unified list that is their mouthpiece to our legislatures and our congressional membership about our transportation priorities. They receive those from their member jurisdictions and then they prioritize this list. The projects need to be submitted by May 17, 2024. They also need to be legislative priorities from the City of Spokane. Each agency if they have legislative priorities/projects, they can forward those to the SRTC for inclusion on that list.
 - They are starting to kickoff their smart mobility and resiliency planning effort.
- Raychel Callary, Citizen-At-Large - Raychel had no report at this time.
- Lukas Yanni, Spokane Transit Authority - *Absent*
- Charles Hansen, Community Assembly PeTT Committee - Charles reported that PeTT (Pedestrian Transportation and Traffic) met on April 23rd. CM Zappone presented on sidewalk repair. Colin Quinn-Hurst also attended and presented about the proposed Transportation Commission.
- Jennifer Soto, Spokane Public Schools - *Absent*
- Samantha Hennessy, Spokane Regional Health District -
 - Samantha reported that the second [webinar](#) in their three-part series is coming up on May 30, 2024 at 12:00pm.
- Char Kay, WSDOT -
 - Char reported that they are advancing the work of the land bridge in the East Central vicinity and have selected a consultant as well as begun coordinating with them. This project will be completed through a series of task orders; therefore, they will not be providing a full scope of work for the entire project

but for each task individually. They are planning to have this be a community centered focus where the community will be at the heart of identifying type size and location, connectivity in and around the land bridge, and so forth.

- Complete Streets - The state legislature has required WSDOT to provide for more complete streets on preservation projects that are \$500,000 or more. They are currently working on a project along Division Street around the Y.
- Ryan Patterson, Plan Commission - No report for this month.
- Michelle Pappas, Futurewise - *Absent*
- Pablo Monsivais, Bicycle Advisory Board - Pablo reported that the Bicycle Advisory Board met in April and the primary focus of the meeting was the new proposed Transportation Commission. They discussed the pros and cons and wanting to make sure the bicycle infrastructure is going to be preserved. They also had a couple of updates including resurfacing projects and the application for bicycle friendly communities.
- Abigail Martin, Manager of Neighborhood Connectivity Initiatives for City Council -
 - Abbey reported that the Council members have deferred the Transportation Commission. CP Wilkerson, CM Cathcart and CM Zappone had various different amendments and the deferment will give them the extra time necessary to consolidate their amendment into one proposal.
 - Citizens Transportation Advisory Board, CTAB, met last month and held their elections. So, while the Transportation Commission is in discussions, all of the various committees (which would eventually be absorbed into the TC) are still meeting and carrying out business.
 - Signs will be coming that have a QR code with information about what CTAB is and where the citizens car tab dollars are going.

Workshops/Presentations:

1. West Central Infrastructure Project Outreach

- Staff member Colin Quinn-Hurst presented.
- Questions asked and answered.
- Discussion ensued.

2. Transportation Commission Format

- Staff member Colin Quinn-Hurst presented.
- Questions asked and answered.
- Discussion ensued.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:25 AM.

Next tentative Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 4, 2024.