

# Spokane Transportation Commission -Minutes

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

Hybrid Meeting in City Council Chambers & Microsoft Teams Teleconference

Meeting Minutes: Transportation Commission Workshop called to order at 4:00 pm by Grant Shipley

**Public Comment:** Citizens are invited to address the Transportation Commission on any topic other than agenda items scheduled for a hearing. 2 Minutes each.

- John Richardson
- Brian Muegge
- Brynn West
- Scott Taylor

## **Attendance for Transportation Commission Workshop:**

- Commission Members Present: Grant Shipley, Rhonda Young, Mike Bjordahl, Raychel Callary, Joni Harris, Kaylee Jackman, Dylan Jouliot, Lauren Pangborn
- Commission Members Not Present: None
- Non-Voting Members Present: STA, SRTC, WSDOT, SRHD, Downtown PBIA, NEPDA, Plan Commission, Community Assembly, City Council
- Non-Voting Members Not present: PBIA East Sprague, University District, S3R3 Solutions, Spokane Public Schools
- *Quorum Present:* Yes
- Staff Members Present: Jon Snyder, Emily King, Inga Note, Adam McDaniel, Brian Brisendine, Kevin Picanco, Clint Harris, Matthew Cozza, Nicole White, Abbey Martin, Amanda Brown, Marlene Feist, Kirstin Davis, Sarah Sirott, Sebastian Pedinielli, Mayra Marroquin, Spencer Gardner, Andres Grageda, Colin Quinn-Hurst

**Minutes:** Minutes from 1/21/2026 approved unanimously.

## **Briefing Session:**

- **Commission President Report - Grant Shipley**
  - Grant thanked all the citizens concerned enough to show up and voice their opinions tonight, as well as volunteers, and City staff. Our goal is to improve transportation in Spokane, and Grant hopes we're all on the same page on that measure.
- **Secretary Report - Jon Snyder**
  - Jon brought up the potential to skip a meeting this summer. The commission could take either the July or August meeting off, but also do not have to. A decision does not need to be made yet, but Jon would like to have a decision by March so staff can plan accordingly.
- **Additional Reports - Cliff Winger, Community Assembly**
  - Cliff discussed that with the passing of the new school bond in November, there have been issues in the past with school construction and not having safe ways for children to walk or bike to school. There have been some corrections within the city, but we need to contact District 81. They tend to stay on their campuses and not look at the environment around the schools. There can be a lot of traffic issues, and Cliff hopes that these issues do not fall through the cracks.
- **Additional Reports - Eve McMenemy, Spokane Regional Transportation Council (SRTC)**

- Eve wanted to make everyone aware that SRTC is updating their Public Participation Plan. Eve provided a survey on the methods to best reach people while doing their planning efforts. [Public Participation Survey](#)
- **Additional Reports - Shauna Harshman, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT)**
  - WSDOT launched the Liberty Park Land Bridge Planning and Pre-design Project about one week ago. Over the next three weeks, they will be developing materials to officially launch, inviting participation into a community design collaborative, and are standing up their inner agency groups to bring the project forward. Within three weeks there will be a project webpage and invitations going out to participate in those advisory groups.
- **Additional Reports - Jared Aranda, Northeast Public Development Authority (NEPDA)**
  - Jared wanted to let the commission know about a project that the NEPDA is working on in east Hillyard on Myrtle Street north of Wellesley. Rebecca Street is currently in the Bicycle Priority Network. Given that they are making multi-modal improvements on Myrtle, it would make a lot of sense to move that designation over a block to Myrtle rather than Rebecca. As they pursue grant funding, this would also help by having that officially designated as part of the Bicycle Priority Network.

**Current Agenda:** The current agenda was approved unanimously.

**Workshop(s):**

- Thorpe Rd. Tunnels Study
  - Presentation provided by Kevin Picanco
  - Questions asked and answered.
  - Discussion ensued.
- Local Option Parking Tax Public Rule
  - Presentation provided by Jon Snyder & Adam McDaniel
  - Questions asked and answered.
  - Discussion ensued.
- Shared Streets Ordinance Revision
  - Presentation provided by Inga Note & Jon Snyder
  - Questions asked and answered.
  - Discussion ensued.

**Hearing(s):**

- Grand Boulevard Restriping
  - Presentation provided by Inga Note & Brian Brisendine
  - Public Testimony provided by:
    - Jake Madewell
    - Mary Winkes
    - Gavin Cooley, Spokane Business Association
    - Brad Barnett, Spokane Business Association
    - Carol Ellis
    - Suzanne Rebro
    - Brian Trimble
    - Brenda Strand
    - Roger Conner
    - Gina McKenzie
    - Tomas Lynch
    - Eileen Shurtz
    - Sarah Rose

- Questions asked and answered.
- Discussion ensued.

**Motion:** I [Lauren Pangborn] move to recommend to the Mayor of Spokane a restriping design of a 3-lane configuration with 1 lane uphill, 1 lane downhill, and a center turn lane. Seconded by Dylan Jouliot.

Motion passes unanimously, 8 to 0 to 0.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:22 PM.

Next regularly scheduled Transportation Commission meeting will be held on 3/18/2026.