

STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES
City of Spokane
Public Infrastructure, Environment, and Sustainability
October 25, 2021

Committee members present in person, phone or video

Council President Breean Beggs, Committee Chair
Council Member Michael Cathcart, Vice Committee Chair
Council Member Candace Mumm
Council Member Karen Stratton
Council Member Betsy Wilkerson
Council Member Lori Kinnear (Joined at 1:29PM)

Council President Beggs called the meeting to order at 1:17 p.m.
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Review and approval of minutes

Council President Beggs asked for a motion to approve the minutes of September 27, 2021 meeting.

- Action taken
- Council Member Wilkerson moved to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2021 meeting as presented; the motion was seconded by Council Member Stratton. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion items - Items were presented in a different order than reflected in the agenda and minutes.

A. Council Requests

1. Consent items for discussion
2. Legislative update - none
3. ADU Fee Waiver Ordinance
Councilwoman Kinnear discussed a three year pilot program for reducing or eliminating fees for construction of Accessory Dwelling Units within a half mile of Centers and Corridors. With supply and labor shortages, this may be the right time to explore smaller living options.
4. Stormwater Facility Maintenance Ordinance
Councilwoman Kinnear shared information on City management of stormwater facilities in the public right-of-way and a continued effort for tree planting to mitigate stormwater. Citing SMC 12.01 the discussion included the maintenance and creation

of tools like CSO tanks and built environments for Stormwater mitigation but exploring more cost effective solutions. No supporting financial information at this time.

5. NEPDA Update

David Guthrie, NEPDA Executive Director, updated the Committee on funding and infrastructure needs within the Northeast Public Development Authority. Pending approval of a ongoing federal funding infrastructure request, the City has been asked to provide a twenty percent match to those funds. David shared challenges the area is facing when working to attract businesses. Discussion included increases the tree canopy, industrial streets design, funding sources and complete streets review.

B. Staff Requests

1. Illinois Ave. Protected Bike Lanes

Kevin Picanco briefed this item as the second planning update for 2021. Kevin shared the project background and overview, preferred alternatives by segment – including the eastly segment from Perry to Market which includes a near term 2022 project for grind and overlay, shared path, plaza creation and street trees.

2. Resolution to amend the Retail Water Service Area

Eldon Brown briefed applications to amend the retail water service area. The applicants intend to build 132 units within the urban growth boundary on a low density zoned 30 acre property. Based on the measurable criteria, this application meets to standart to proceed to a hearing although the application timing is out of cycle.

3. Inter-Departmental Agreement between Public Works & Parks Department

Marlene Feist shared an update on an approach to an interdepartmental agreement between Parks and Public Works around water conservation measures resulting in multi-million gallons of water savings annually. Working on creation of design standards around irrigation to reduce water waste and to increase investment in water saving projects in Spokane.

4. Beacon Hill Vista Development Agreement

Eldon Brown shared updated information on an request for a five year extension of the Beacon Hill Developer Agreement originally dated 12/14/2005. The last extension was granted in 2016. The project has become more viable at present and is in a position to move forward with development. Current street standards and code considérations were discussed.

Strategic Plan Session

A. Priority Strategy 1. Rapidly accelerating street pavement maintenance projects

- No report for this meeting.

B. Priority Strategy 2. Repurposing public property to stimulate private investment

- No report for this meeting.

C. Priority Strategy 3. Sustainable city

- No report for this meeting.

Executive session

None.

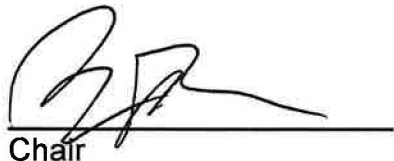
Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:40PM

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Approved by:



Chair