

STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

City of Spokane

Urban Experience Committee

3/8/21 – MINUTES

Attendance

City Employees: Hannahlee, CP Beggs, Eldon Brown, Garrett Jones, Jennifer Papich, Josh Oakes, Kris Becker, CM Lori Kinnear, Louis Meuler, Melissa Morrison, Michael Sloon, Nathan Groh, Seth Hackenberg, Tim Dunivant, Tonya Wallace, Maren Murphy, CM Karen Stratton, Marlene Feist, CM Burke, Kara Odegard, CM Michael Cathcart, CM Betsy Wilkerson, Shauna Harshman, Erik Poulsen, Joshua Worrell, Brian McClatchey

Non-City Employees: John Edmondson

The meeting started at 1:17 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

The February 8th, 2021 meeting minutes were approved.

Agenda Items:

1. Lease of Toyota Rav 4 and Toyota Tacoma, Lease of 13 Toyota Rav 4's, and Lease of 5 Toyota Rav 4's- Tonya Wallace and Nathan Groh

Presentation on vehicle replacement & acquisition strategy for DSC, leasing opportunities, leasing gives flexibility to update fleet annually, answered questions on lease vs purchase, hybrid vs electric

2. 5th Avenue Initiative- Draft Community Strategy- Maren Murphy

Presentation on 5th Ave, improvements happening, background of neighborhood, what the strategic priorities are, conversation on neighborhoods and how they identify with themselves.

3. 2021 Plan Commission Work Program- Louis Meuler

2021 Plan Commission work, Louis asking for comments for upcoming meeting, CM Kinnear commented on housing in an affordable range for some- around \$250,000. CM Wilkerson asked about how to drive development in the City core, smaller units in vacant lots. CM Cathcart commented on more multifamily zoning. CP Beggs spoke about with increased transit looking at increased housing. CM Stratton also mentioned mix use along corridors.

4. TDS Telecom Update- Marlene Feist

TDS Telecom- Josh Worrell, overview of TDS, gave update on how much line they have installed, growth, and charitable contributions. Overview of notification during construction. Update on what areas of town they are currently working on.

5. 195 Status Update- Inga Note

No one was available to present.

6. Housing Action Subcommittee- Melissa Morrison

Melissa Morrison- Presentation on Housing Action Subcommittee Resolution, overseeing 1590 funds and make recommendations, SHAG is the group on how decisions are made, difference between Housing Action Subcommittee and SHAG (Spokane Housing Advisory Group), application process for participation in either group, possibly have a stipend for participants

7. 2021 Aquatics Plan- Garrett Jones

Parks and Aquatics update, presentation on overview of where we are at and where we can go, looking at alternatives, COVID precautions,

8. Land Acknowledgement Resolution- CP Beggs

Land Acknowledgement, connected with tribes in the Spokane area, created a document and have a contact from the Spokane Tribe make a statement around Earth Day and National Indigenous Day.

9. E-Bike Delivery- John Edmondson

Presentation on food insecurity, data on those who couldn't access the food sites, free pantries, neighborhood gardens

10. Summer Youth Passes- CM Kate Burke

Update on summer youth pass program.

11. Building Permit/Construction Updates- Kris Becker

Presentation on permit activity and answered a few questions following.

Consent Items:

Consent items approved.

Executive Session:

There was no Executive Session.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05pm.

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Chair – Karen Stratton

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