

STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

City of Spokane

Urban Experience Committee

9/13/21 – MINUTES

Attendance

City Employees: Hannahlee Allers, Giacobbe Byrd, Erik Poulsen, Annica Eagle, CM Candace Mumm, Rick Giddings, CM Lori Kinnear, Teri Stripes, Kris Becker, Amanda Beck, Margaret Hinson, Michael Ormsby, Melissa Morrison, CM Michael Cathcart, Michael Sloon, Sally Stopher, Micaela Martinez, call in, Shauna Harshman, CM Karen Stratton, CM Betsy Wilkerson (left at 2:12pm), CP Breean Beggs, Garrett Jones, James Richman, Tirrell Black, Justin Lundgren, Alexander Gibilisco, Kirstin Davis, CM Kate Burke, Brian McClatchey

Non-City Employees: Mark Richard, Elisabeth Hooker, Fawn Schott

The meeting started at 1:16 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

The August 16th, 2021 meeting minutes were approved.

Agenda Items:

1. Pre-Approval of Purchase of Vehicles for City Use- Michael Ormsby

Over on the purchasing process and timeline. Rick Giddings shared his screen/presentation. With microchip shortages and COVID time frame issues the four week approval process typically takes to long and cars are sold before approved. Presentation looking for ability to pre-approve. Review of purchasing priorities and green options. Looking at challenges for at least the remainder of 2021. CM Kinnear mentioned a conversation needed regarding charging stations and employees taking cars home. CM Cathcart asked about how the vehicle selections were made.

2. DSP Quarterly Update- Mark Richard

Overview of the team and that they have a few open positions, downtown map, finance overview, clean up update, challenges with plants and the heat, First Friday program, mentioned recent and upcoming events, holiday planning, and ended with Q&A.

3. Pilot Street Mural Art Painting- Annica Eagle

Presentation shared with photos, the street mural policy, and overview of the project. CM Mumm asked about clarifying the timeframe for removal or update.

4. Purchase of Chevy Tahoe- Justin Lundgren

Removed from agenda prior to meeting.

5. MFTE Conditional Agreement- Millennium Monroe- Teri Stripes

Overview of the MFTE program, housing options, affordable housing, and some background. Reviewed current application and property tax calculator. CM Mumm mentioned adding a line for the tax revenue after the tax break.

6. Short Plat Fee Amendment- Amanda Beck

Overview of the short plat options and fees. Discussion on the process and fees.

7. Volunteers of America Crosswalk Capital Campaign Resolution- Melissa Morrison

Melissa did an introduction to Fawn Schott who went over the Crosswalk program and location over by SCC. New program will have 36 beds and focus on kids. For young adults they can work with them for transitional housing and living on their own. CM Stratton commented on the kids who liked the location being out of the downtown core.

8. Resolution Welcoming Refugees from War in Afghanistan- Alex Gibilisco

Background on the program and refugees as well as Americans who went over to fight.

9. Rapid Capital Housing Acquisition RFP Resolution- Melissa Morrison

Overview of housing types and funding. CM Cathcart asked about this item in being reviewed in July regarding Catholic Charities, update on that. CP Beggs clarified this is an RFP and would be approved at a later date.

10. Building Permit/Construction Updates- Kris Becker

Consent Items:

Item H-Cannon St 24 hr. Services Facility CM Kinnear asked for confirmation that it is a 24/7 shelter and not going to transition into a day shelter only. Kirstin responded that is what the contract refers to, she isn't involved in what will happen down the line and hasn't been a part of that process. CM Stratton suggested Kirstin connect CM Kinnear and CM Wilkerson to someone involved with the contract for more information. CM Cathcart had a question on the funding, Sally confirmed that ESG dollars are the funding source. Consent items approved.

Executive Session:

There was no Executive Session.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 pm.

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Chair – Karen Stratton

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