

# Weekly Newsletter

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Kitty Klitzke, District 3, Pos. 1



Zack Zappone, District 3, Pos. 2

## Boards and Commissions:

## WHERE DO WE REPRESENT YOU?

### Council Member Klitzke:

- [Public Infrastructure, Environment, and Sustainability Committee](#) (Chair)
- [Plan Commission](#) (Liaison)
- [GMA Steering Committee of Elected Officials](#)
- [Library Board](#) (Liaison)
- [Spokane Transit Authority](#)
- [Spokane Regional Transportation Commission](#)
- [Spokane Regional Solid Waste](#)
- [Salmon Restoration Lead Entity](#)
- [City Transportation Commission](#) (Liaison)
- [Veterans' Advisory Board](#)
- [Cooper Jones Active Transportation Safety Council](#)

### Council Member Zappone:

- [Public Safety and Community Health Committee](#) (Chair)
- [Regional Homeless Authority](#)
- [Legislative Committee](#)
- [Association of Washington Cities](#)
- [Spokane Transit Authority](#)
- [Fiscal Impact Workgroup](#)
- [City Transportation Commission](#) (Liaison)
- [Tourism and Cultural Investment Committee](#) (Chair)
- [TPA Commission](#)
- [Visit Spokane Board](#)

## WELCOME!

In this issue, we discuss HOME Initiatives, tourism grants and therapeutic courts.

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

June 8 - June 14

### [Urban Experience Committee \(UE\)](#)

Monday, June 9 at 12:00 p.m.  
City Council Chambers  
808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd.

Public testimony will be taken on the committee's agenda.

Use this link to sign up to speak for 2 min on any and all items on this month's agenda.

### [Agenda Review](#)

Monday, June 9 at 3:30 p.m.  
City Council Chambers  
808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd.

Council approves amendments and agendas for upcoming legislative meetings.

### [District 2 Town Hall](#)

Monday, June 9 at 6:00 p.m.  
MLK Community Center  
500 S Stone St.

Sign-up opens beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 6, 2025, and ending at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 9, 2025, via the [online testimony sign-up form link here](#) OR in person outside council chambers beginning at 8:00 a.m. on June 9, 2025. You must sign up by 6:00 p.m. to be called on to testify.





Neighborhood Councils:

## WHO DO WE REPRESENT?

- [Audubon-Downriver](#)
- [Balboa/South Indian Trail](#)
- [Browne's Addition](#)
- [Emerson/Garfield](#)
- [Five Mile Prairie](#)
- [North Hill](#)
- [North Indian Trail](#)
- [Northwest](#)
- [Peaceful Valley](#)
- [West Central](#)

Reach out to us if you have suggestions for the newsletter or feedback to make it better!

## UPCOMING ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

### HOME Starts Here:

Council will hear public testimony regarding the HOME Starts Here package of ordinances that aim to address some key concerns about homelessness in Spokane. Amendments were made last week, so there are some changes to the legislation. You can find the ordinances as amended in the [June 16 Draft Agenda](#).

### Tourism and Cultural Investment (TACI):

The Spokane Tourism and Cultural Investment Committee has made their recommendations to Council on a package of funds to promote events which encourage tourism in Spokane and enrich the cultural experiences available to residents! You can see the event list on the [June 16 Draft Agenda](#).

## HOME INITIATIVES ROUND TABLE

Council Members Klitzke and Zappone joined Council Members Cathcart, Bingle and Council President Wilkerson on June 4th at the Central Library to hear feedback from downtown businesses and stakeholders about the HOME Initiatives and downtown.



Council members at the Downtown Round Table ^

## STUFF TO ATTEND

June 8 -  
June 14

### [Comprehensive Plan Update](#)

Sign up for the PlanSpokane 2046 newsletter to get updates on engagement opportunities and progress. PlanSpokane 2046 is a state-required update to Spokane's comprehensive plan for urban growth.

### [Spokane Pride Parade](#)

The annual Spokane Pride Parade will be held downtown on Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 12 PM. Join in the festivities and see if you can spot your Council Members marching!

### [Garland Global Food and Art Market](#)

Garland is hosting a weekly Global Food and Art Market, Tuesdays from 3-7 PM at the Gathering House (733 W Garland Ave). Support small businesses and expand your global experiences!





^ STA's new double decker bus spotted from City Hall!

## City Government:

### THERAPEUTIC COURTS

Therapeutic courts have small but mighty teams. There are many opportunities to help these small teams! If you are interested in volunteering for Community Court, you can [read more and sign up here!](#)

The mission of the Spokane Municipal Community Court is to build stronger and safer neighborhoods by providing accountability with help for individuals involved in the criminal justice system to reduce and properly address quality-of-life offenses by utilizing a collaborative, problem-solving approach to crime.

The City of Spokane Municipal Court system has several different therapeutic courts that aim to help people navigate the criminal justice system when they may have extenuating circumstances that make traditional (or Alpha) court unsuitable. Community Court is the most recognized of the therapeutic courts. The City also has therapeutic courts for Mental Health, Domestic Violence Intervention, DUI's and Veterans.

In case you missed it, Community Court had a great presentation at the [June 2 Public Safety Committee](#). We would encourage you to take a look to learn more about the program and their metrics of success.



^ [Riverfront Eats!](#) @ Riverfront Park.



### Browne's Addition Neighborhood Concerts

The 28<sup>th</sup> annual Browne's Addition Summer Concerts will begin on Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> and run until August 7<sup>th</sup>.

You can read the full lineup at the link above!

### Concerts Under the Pines

**July 10 - 6-8 p.m.**

Lilac City Community Band


**July 17 - 6:30-8:30 p.m.**




John Wayne Williams & Art Baker

**July 24 - 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Gil Rivas



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**We All Belong**