

Spokane Neighborhoods Community Assembly
“Provide a vehicle to empower Neighborhood Councils’ participation in government.”



Meeting Agenda for Thursday, June 5, 2025
5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Liberty Park Library
Proposed Agenda Subject to Change

Please review previous month’s minutes:
*Community Assembly Minutes: May 1, 2025



Administrative

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1. Introductions (Facilitator)	3 min (5:30)	Intro	-
2. Proposed Agenda (Facilitator)	2 min (5:33)	Approve	1
• Including Core Values, Purpose, Rules of Order			
3. Approve/Amend Minutes (Facilitator).....	5 min (5:35)	Approve	5
4. Admin Committee Action Items (Luke Tolley).....	5 min (5:40)	Oral Report	-

Updates/Announcements

5. Up to 3 min per sign-up	15 min (5:45)	Oral Reports	-
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Agenda

6. City Council Update (CP Wilkerson)	10 min (6:00)	Oral Report	-
7. ONS Update (Heather Hamlin)	10 min (6:10)	Oral Report	-
8. Comprehensive Plan Update (Tirrell Black & Kevin Freibott).....	30 min (6:20)	Presentation	12
9. Budget Committee (Laura Johnson)	10 min (6:50)	Roll Call Vote	27
10. City Council/ Neighborhoods Workgroup (Tina Luerssen).....	10 min (7:00)	Vote	-
11. CA Committee Updates (Committee Chairs/Reps)	20 min (7:10)	Oral Report	28
12. Actionable Items Review/Future Considerations/Survey (Luke Tolley).....	..5 min (7:30)	Report	-

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** IF YOU CAN’T MAKE THE MEETING, PLEASE SEND YOUR ALTERNATE! **

Community Assembly Core Values and Purpose

CORE PURPOSE:

Provide a vehicle to empower neighborhood councils' participation in government.

BHAG (Big Hairy Audacious Goal):

Become an equal partner in local government.

(This will be further expounded upon in the Vivid Description. What does this mean to you?)

CORE VALUES:

- **Common Good:** Working towards mutual solutions based on diverse and unique perspectives.
- **Alignment:** Bringing together the independent neighborhood councils to act collectively.
- **Initiative:** Being proactive in taking timely, practical action.
- **Balance of Power:** Being a transparent, representative body giving power to citizens' voices.

VIVID DESCRIPTION:

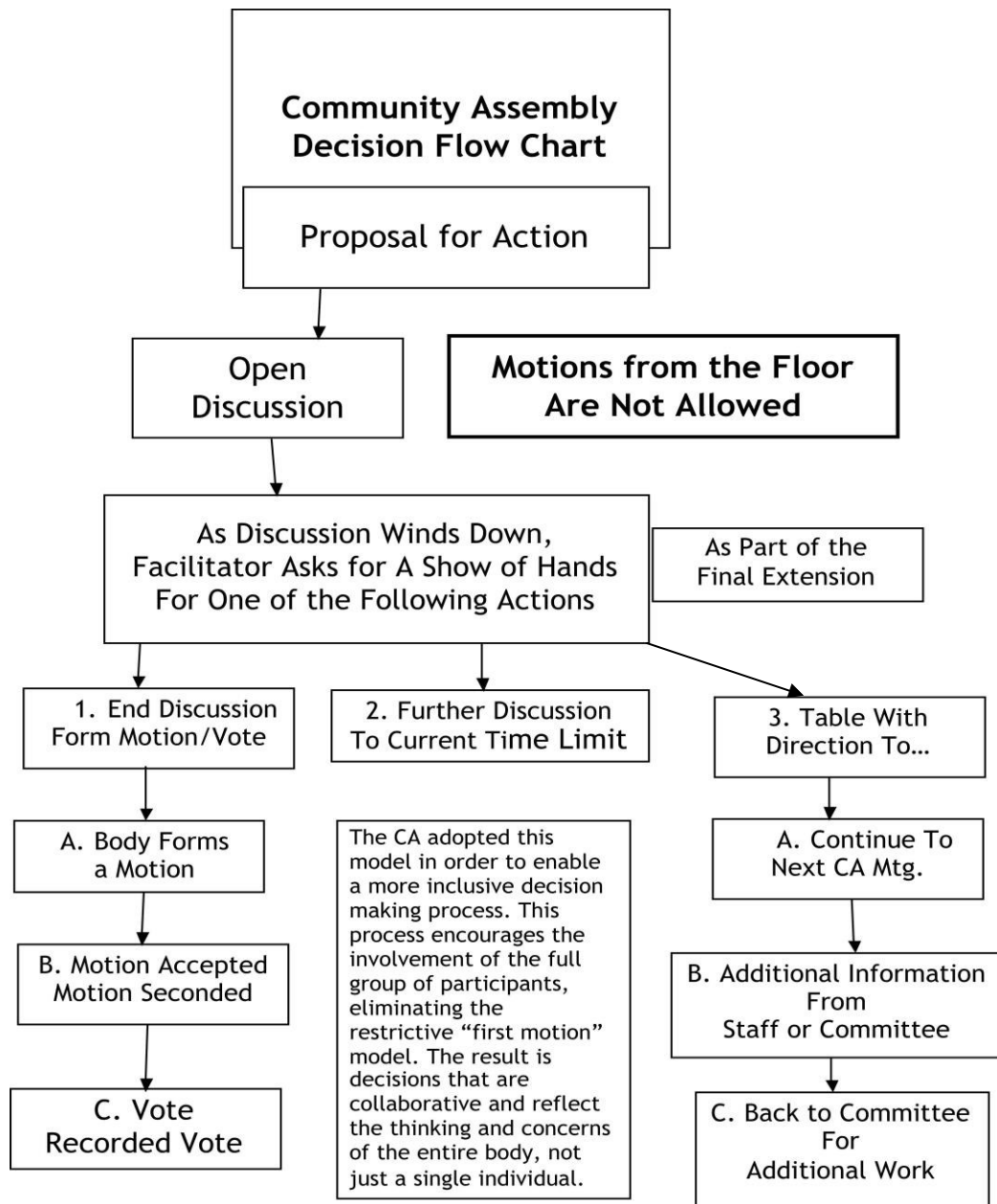
The Community Assembly fulfils its purpose, achieves its goals, and stays true to its core values by its members engaging each other and the community with honest communication and having transparent actions in all of its dealings. Community Assembly representatives are knowledgeable and committed to serving their neighborhood and their city as liaisons and leaders.

The Community Assembly initiates and is actively involved early and often in the conception, adoption and implementation of local policy changes and projects. The administration and elected officials bring ideas to the Community Assembly in the forming stages for vetting, input and participation. The Community Assembly is a valuable partner to these officials and neighborhoods in creating quality policy & legislation for the common good.

The Community Assembly stimulates participation in civic life among our residents. Citizens that run for political office will believe in the importance of partnering with the Community Assembly and neighborhood councils. Those candidates' active participation and history with neighborhoods contributes to their success, enhancing successful partnerships between the Community Assembly and local government.

Presentation and decision-making process:

1. To speak at a meeting, a person must be recognized by the facilitator. Only one person can be recognized at a time. Each speaker has two minutes. When all who wish to speak have been allowed their time, the rotation may begin again.
2. When a proposal for action is made, open discussion shall occur before a motion is formed by the group.
3. Presentation timetable protocol
 - a) When a presenter has one minute left in the time allotted, the facilitator shall raise a yellow card and give a verbal notice.
 - b) Should any representative wish to extend the time of the presentation or comment/question period, they may make a motion to extend the time by five (5) minutes.
 - c) An immediate call shall be made for a show of hands in support of the extension of time. With a simple majority (50% plus 1) concurring, the time shall be reset by the amount of time requested.
 - d) Extensions shall be limited to two (2) or until a request fails to show a simple majority approval.
 - e) When the allotted time has expired, a red card and verbal notice shall be given.
 - f) As part of a final time extension request, the facilitator shall request a show of hands by the representatives to indicate which of the following actions the group wants to take:
 - o End discussion and move into forming the motion and voting,
 - o Further discussion,
 - o Table discussion with direction,
 - o Request time to continue discussion at next CA meeting,
 - o Request additional information from staff or CA committee, or
 - o Send back to the appropriate CA committee for additional work.



Community Assembly Draft Minutes

Prepared by: Office of Neighborhood Services

May 1, 2025, in-person at Liberty Park

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Luke Tolley

Present: Fran Papenleur—Audubon-Downriver, Christopher Savage—Balboa South Indian Trail, Luke Tolley—Bemiss, Krista Anderson—Chief Garry Park, Sandy Wicht- Comstock, Debby Ryan—East Central, Linda Carroll—Emerson-Garfield, Tina Luerssen-Grandview-Thorpe, Laura Johnson—Hillyard, Carol Tomsic—Lincoln Heights, Shannon Benn- Minnehaha, Mary Winkes—Manito-Cannon Hill, Hilary Michalowicz—Nevada Heights, Ann Haggett- Peaceful Valley, Bill Doley—Rockwood, Jael Stebbins—Shiloh Hills, Kris Neeley—Southgate, Amanda Maule—West Central, and Kathy Hagy—West Hills, and Charles Hansen—Whitman, Dan Knechtel-North Indian Trail, Ryan Jerman- Browne’s Addition, Robert Churchill- Five Mile Prairie, Lorna Walsh-Riverside

Not Present: Logan, Cliff/Cannon, North Hill, Northwest, Latah-Hangman

City Staff Present: Gabby Ryan, (ONS), Betsy Wilkerson (City Council President), Giacobbe Byrd (City Council), Erin Hut (Mayor’s Office)

Guests: Paul Kropp (Liaison Committee), Sue Arnesen (West Hills), Elizabeth Goldsmith (Comstock), Shawn Terjeson (Lincoln Heights, Comms Committee), Andy Hoyer (Southgate), Jeff Braunschweig (Hillyard), Bill Heaton (Land Use Committee), Emerson Garfield Alt Rep, Angel Troutt (Shiloh Hills), Cliff Winger (Shiloh Hills, Transportation Commission), Judge Mary Logan, Stephanie Watson (Latah Hangman)

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Introductions

1.1 Approve Meeting Recording: Lorna moved; Laura seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

2. Approve Agenda: *Proposed changes to agenda: Strike item #12 on agenda, extend #11 to 30 minutes.* Dan moved; Debby seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

3. Approve/Amend minutes: Tina moved, Dan seconded. Motion passes unopposed.

4. Admin Committee Action Items

- Luke Tolley: Resolution regarding Parking Space Minimums was put in the Urban Experience agenda. Public testimony is taken at Urban Experience, so folks can sign up to testify [here](#). Additionally, the request to have a CA Liaison on the Climate Resiliency and Sustainability Board was submitted to City Council. Liaison Committee is actively recruiting for that role. There are 3 volunteers interested in being the CA Hybrid Meeting Facilitator, Admin is working on a role description for them. Please recruit folks for that if interested, it’s better to have more folks trained on it.

OPEN FORUM:

5. Reports/Updates/Announcements

- Elizabeth Goldsmith: Shared with the group that Minnehaha NC members Tyler and Amy Tamoush have welcomed their baby girl, Ava, into the world. They’re all doing well and in good

health. Congratulations were shared. Be patient with Tyler as he continues to balance fatherhood and his roles in CA.

- Paul Kropp: Climate Resilience & Sustainability Board CA Liaison Information and Application information located on Community Assembly's web page, <https://my.spokanecity.org/neighborhoods/community-assembly/>
- Kris Neely: Urban Forestry Committee took a tour of the Spokane Conservation District's facility, and had the opportunity to discuss relevant topics with government officials and organization representatives. Their year-round farmers market will be opening soon! Encouraged folks to visit when it opens.

AGENDA ITEMS:

6. City Council Update (Council President Wilkerson)

- Council President (CP) Wilkerson shared updates that happened in the Legislature:
- \$51 million for transportation budget, to keep the North-South Corridor construction moving.
- \$2.2 million for our river and Centennial Trail renovations.
- In the County, Basic Law Enforcement Academy was \$750,000 short on expansion goals, and the City was able to advocate to the State get the funds to make that project happen.
- \$350,000 for Northeast Public Development Authority for childcare.
- Noise Control mitigation along 3rd Avenue, funding has been secured to do that study.
- \$1 million in funding for Fish Lake Trail connection.
- \$480,000 for Browne's Addition's Coeur D'Alene Park playground and restroom renovations.
- Council President will work to get the liaison role in CRS Board.
- Mention of Gabriel's Challenge beginning on Mother's Day thru Father's Day, to address the fentanyl crisis and concerns around drug use. Find out more here: <https://gabrielschallenge.org/>
 - The Gabriel's Challenge kick-off event will be on Sunday, May 11, 2025 from 6:00-7:30pm at the Riverfront Park Pavilion.
- Emergency Alcohol Ordinance was passed, in response to concerns by residents by the concentration of stores that sell alcohol in City. You can't put an alcohol-selling store within 500 feet of a childcare or education facility. This ordinance is in place for a year.
- Prop 1 was repealed, the City has announced The [H.O.M.E. Starts Here Initiative](#), which seeks to create a unified strategy for the City of Spokane to meaningfully address the complex factors that contribute to housing instability and homelessness.
- Council Approved ["Ban the Address" Fair Chance Hiring Ordinance](#).
 - Carol: Thanked Council President for City's work on Gabriel's Challenge and addressing fentanyl crisis.
 - Linda: Brought up concerns about alcohol-selling convenience stores being classified as "Grocery stores," gave example in her neighborhood. Giacobbe will follow-up with Linda.
 - Debby: Shared concern about alcohol-selling stores in East Central. Council President shared concerns about that are.
 - Laura: Convenience store going in near the Northtown Mall, where beer/vapes/kratom will be sold and the mall is an area where kids hang out, concern about that store being visible to kids.
- ***Move to extend discussion by 5 minutes, first extension. Dan motioned, Christopher seconded. Motion passes unopposed.***
- House Bill 1258 was passed, and relation to SREC: There is mediation happening between the City and other entities that are a part of SREC.

- Councilmember Navarette will not be completing their term (their last day has not been shared with Council), and City Council will work on identifying the timeline & process for finding someone to fill that District 2 Councilmember vacancy until elections in November. Once determined, process/timeline will be shared with the public.

7. Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) Update (Erin Hut)

- Heather Hamlin is the new ONS Director. Will begin in ONS at the beginning of June.
- Spokane Neighborhood Summit is happening in October and the [call for workshop presenters/proposals](#) is open until July 10. The event will be held at Gonzaga's Hemmingson Center on Saturday, October 25. Contact Amber Groe with any questions at agroe@spokanecity.org.

8. Spokane Municipal Court (Judge Mary Logan)

- Municipal Courts are courts for rehabilitation, not retribution. Information about the Municipal Court system can be found here: <https://my.spokanecity.org/courts/municipal-court/>
- Municipal Court system includes Therapeutic Courts, DUI Court, Domestic Violence Intervention Court, Community Court, and Veteran Enhanced Treatment Court.
- Judge Mary Logan shared extensive information about the what the courts do, and how they're supported/funded. Most of the work to create these specialized courts was done by reallocating resources the court already had, while also approaching them through unique systems that make use of community connections, mentorships, or community resources.
- They are co-participants with County Court for folks in the mental health treatment system.
- ***Move to extend discussion by 5 minutes, first extension. Christopher motioned, Dan who seconded. Motion passes unopposed.***
- Dan: Who funds the veterans court? *This court required no new funds beyond what the court already receives for services; resources were reallocated to meet the needs of veterans in the court system.*
- ***Move to extend discussion by 5 minutes, second and final extension. Robert motioned, Dan seconded. Motion passes unopposed.***
- Robert: When are mentors assigned to cases that need them? *They held training for mentors to make sure they're prepared to help people in the court system, to set them up for success as mentors. The formal training program is first for the mentor, then the mentors and mentees attend a forum (3rd Thursday of each month) to be matched, in a "speed dating" style where folks are given one-on-one time to connect before determining if the pairing is right.*
- Kris: How is data on these programs collected? *They do collect the data to enter in to the system for tracking purposes.* Kris shared that the data should be shared with Mayor's data to inform policy.
- Council President shared that there are concerns that the City does not have a drug court. Judge Logan shared that these courts can cost \$ to start, and she's always looking for funds to advance more focused services and courts that are needed. Funds that were awarded by federal programs are now in limbo due to executive orders/government cuts at the federal level.

9. City Council Workgroup Update (Mary Winkes)

- Debriefed how District 1's Town Hall went. Giacobbe shared feedback, and incorporating feedback into future Town Halls.
- Discussed the Parking Ordinance progress.

- Discussed when the next Community Assembly/City Council (CA/CC) meeting would happen, potentially September 29, 2025. They desire a new venue, other than the Briefing Center. Will look into Central Library's Events room.
 - Discussion happened regarding how the previous CA/CC meeting went. Suggestions for a smoother-running meeting were offered by participants.
- The newly elected workgroup alternates have become primary workgroup members, the previous primary members moved to alternate role. This is the proposed format moving forward, to allow for overlap of folks to provide support/hand off role in an intentional way.
- Tina asks that more alternates will be recruited, so that they can be voted in at next CA meeting.
- Feedback given/discussion ensued. Bill suggested that the same qualifications used to nominate eligible Admin Committee members also be used to nominate eligible Workgroup members. Ideas were shared regarding possible connection to Liaison Committee vetting folks, in addition to allowing folks to self-nominate. Mary encouraged folks who are interested in being a part of the workgroup to ask current workgroup members questions, it's a great role if you're interested in being a part of the relationship between CA and City Council.
- ***Motion to extend discussion, first extension of 5 minutes. Tina moved; Debby seconded. Motion passes unopposed.***
- ***Motion: Neighborhoods Workgroup continues 1 year term, alternates will promote to primary role after 1 year (start in June 2025). Mary moved; Lorna seconded. Motion passes unopposed.***
- Nominations for Alternates will be accepted in May, vote takes place in June. Pass interested folks along to Luke Tolley or Gabby Ryan.

10. Transportation Commission Liaison (Cliff Winger)

- Reference the section of the agenda packet for this item; the duties of the [Transportation Commission](#) are included, as shared by Paul Kropp, who introduced Cliff Winger.
- Cliff shared the Complete Streets Ordinance draft, which is in the packet and shared in print. The Complete Streets Ordinance is important to staff, because it outlines guidance and standards for future transportation projects in the city. The draft ordinance goes before the [Public Infrastructure, Environment, and Sustainability \(PIES\) Committee](#), on May 19, and you can sign up for public commenting during that meeting. You can also direct comments to Council Member Klitzke and Director Jon Snyder.
- The City's Comprehensive Plan 2026 periodic update will also include a review of transportation goals and policies.
- The Transportation Commission seeks to centralize decisions around topics that previously existed across multiple boards/commissions. Each district has a representative on the Transportation Commission, and neighborhoods can reach out to them or Cliff with questions.
- Carol: PeTT Committee will work to keep CA members updated on Complete Streets Ordinance as well and encouraged folks to attend the PeTT Committee meetings to be a part of the conversations.
- Mary: Transportation Commission decisions also come to the Plan Commission, so Mary is available to talk to about transportation-related topics presented at Plan Commission.
- Andy: Asked clarifying question about Fish Lake Trail connectivity, answered by Paul.
- Paul: In packet, you can see there is text with a strikethrough and added text, that shows that City staff suggested that the approach to transportation planning involved Planning, Streets, Land Use. That is worth supporting the holistic approach to transportation planning and decision making.

- Carol: Upcoming PeTT Committee will feature Jon Snyder, there to discuss the Spruce Street stairs.

11. CA Committee Updates (Committee Chairs) *(Agenda amended to accommodate 30 minutes on this section)*

- Budget: CE Grant Workshops have concluded. 28 neighborhoods attended the trainings! Six applications have been approved so far. Magnets as a marketing tool was brought to discussion at the Budget Committee, and they were discussed as a possible ineffective use of marketing, and members suggested that stickers would be better uses of funds (they can also be affixed to magnet backs as well as being put on water bottles). Laura shared that neighborhoods such as Latah Hangman & Comstock have printed stickers and used them as marketing tools, and they're both great examples. Encouraged folks to utilize QR codes to redirect folks to NC pages, instead of putting meeting info on marketing materials that can end up outdated when changed. Budget Committee meeting in May will be at the Neva-Wood C.O.P.S. location, where the Budget Committee will reorganize the inventory closet for ease of use for neighborhoods.
 - **Roll Call Vote taken to purchase canopy tent weights for inventory closet.** Results of Vote: Motion passes unopposed, voting sheet is included at end of document.
- Building Stronger Neighborhoods: Not meeting in May, will be attending the Spokane Neighborhood Leadership Academy (SNLA) graduation. If interested in attending SNLA Graduation, must RSVP to Tina or Gabby ASAP. As mentioned by Erin Hut, Spokane Neighborhood Summit is accepting presentation proposals. Connect with Tina (BSN) and Amber (ONS) with Summit questions.
- Community Assembly/Community Development (CA/CD): Thank you to NC's who applied for Community Development Block Grant funds. Review committee decided on funding allocations, those recommendations go to the CHHS Board, then move on to City Council for final vote/approval.
- Land Use:
 - Development Moratorium is coming to an end, and Molly Marshall did a presentation on why continuing the moratorium is important to continue. Molly's presentation included upwards of 800+ homes awaiting to be developed if the moratorium expires.
 - The Latah Valley is awaiting Burke Consulting's sub-area plan for the Latah Valley region. Residents want the moratorium extended until the sub-area plan can be presented and used to inform future developments and infrastructure needs of the Latah Valley.
 - Residents involved in this moratorium process over the years have a wealth of knowledge about development plans for years prior and are trying to hold the City accountable for concerns brought up in the beginning of their fight for a moratorium in addition to concerns that are impacting the neighborhoods now.
 - **Motion: Accept Land Use's Draft Resolution in the agenda packet (page 31) to forward to City Council. Bill motioned. Laura seconded. Motion passes unopposed (3 abstains).**
 - Mary called for folks to attend the Urban Experience Committee meeting to partake in public comment period about the moratorium at 12:00 P.M. on Monday, May 12, 2025. Below is the link for folks to sign up to testify. Sign up here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1_OObLhHJYUeeWKi61o7uHfv4LcsePggVyRFNGE2ECG4/edit
- Liaison Committee: Climate Resiliency & Sustainability Board Liaison position is in active recruitment. Materials can be found on Community Assembly's [page](#). Direct all questions to Paul Kropp or Kathryn Alexander.

- **Plan Commission:** Comprehensive Plan updates: They're putting together 2 subcommittees. One of them will focus on neighborhood updates to the comp plan; they'll meet twice: May 6 and May 21st. Mary plans to propose, after the 21st, that the subcommittee give Community Assembly time to review the document they worked on, to provide feedback. Neighborhood Services, Social Health, and Local Governance are lumped together in the comp plan. Land Use isn't being addressed yet.
 - Luke asked if the subcommittees have a plan for public engagement, Mary said they do not currently have one, but hope Spencer plans to.
 - Paul encouraged folks to read the [Neighborhoods chapter](#) of the comp plan.
 - It was agreed, through discussion, by CA reps that Mary encourages the subcommittee to give the report to CA before the June CA meeting so they can review it then. Mary will try to advocate for CA and Neighborhoods to the best of her ability in her Plan Commission Liaison role.
- ***Motion to extend discussion, first extension of 5 minutes. Robert moved; Laura seconded. Motion passes unopposed.***

12. CA Vision (Luke Tolley)

- Removed from agenda to accommodate additional CA Committee Updates.

13. Actionable Items Review

- Admin Committee will work in June to secure the comp plan document from the Neighborhoods subcommittee and formulate a plan for CA to review it and provide feedback.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32PM. Next meeting will be held Thursday, June 5.

CA Vote Tracker

Date: 5/1/2025

Voting Topic: Approve Budget Committee to spend \$157 on canopy tent weights.

	Approve	Oppose	Abstain
1. Audubon/Downriver	X		
2. Balboa/SIT	X		
3. Bemiss	X		
4. Browne's Addition	X		
5. Chief Garry Park	X		
6. Cliff/Cannon	X		
7. Comstock	X		
8. East Central	X		
9. Emerson/Garfield	X		
10. Five Mile Prairie	X		
11. Grandview/Thorpe	X		
12. Hillyard	X		
13. Latah/Hangman Valley			
14. Lincoln Heights			X
15. Logan			
16. Manito/Cannon Hill	X		
17. Minnehaha			
18. Nevada Heights	X		
19. North Hill			
20. North Indian Trail	X		
21. Northwest			
22. Peaceful Valley	X		
23. Riverside	X		
24. Rockwood	X		
25. Shiloh Hills	X		
26. Southgate	X		
27. West Central	X		
28. West Hills	X		
29. Whitman	X		

June 3, 2025

Community Assembly of Spokane

Re: Comprehensive Plan Update—PlanSpokane 2046

Dear Community Assembly Representatives,

We look forward to updating you on **PlanSpokane 2046**, the periodic update to the City's Comprehensive Plan at your next meeting. Tirrell Black will be coming back to update you on the overall progress of PlanSpokane, and I will be presenting an overview of our first round of chapter reviews.

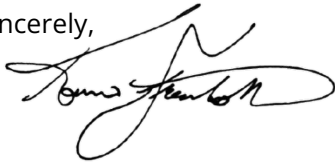
I have included two items for you to read and consider before the meeting. The first is an overview of the Plan Commission Chapter Review Subcommittee. The Plan Commission is reviewing the first round of minor updates to many of the Comprehensive Plan chapters—the “Neighborhoods” chapter included—and this overview document will give you some background information on that effort.

Secondly, I have provided you with the most current draft version of Chapter 9, Neighborhoods. Topics of note and major adjustments are marked with helpful icons and short explanations. I will give a brief update on some of the more noteworthy changes at Community Assembly.

We are hoping to incorporate plenty of time to answer questions and take comments during the meeting. If you have more to convey than our time with you allows, please contact us at planspokane@spokanecity.org or by going online to planspokane.org. You can always call us as well as 509.625.6500.

See you at the meeting!

Sincerely,



Kevin Freibott, Senior Planner
Planning & Economic Development



PlanSpokane

Plan Commission Periodic Update Chapter Review Subcommittee

April, 2025



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City of Spokane Plan Commission PERIODIC UPDATE CHAPTER REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE



The Plan Commission Subcommittee will meet for in-depth discussion and input on the Comprehensive Plan Chapters.



Feedback will help direct the PlanSpokane 2046 Periodic Update, ensuring compliance with state legislation and understanding of community input.

CHAPTER GROUPINGS:

May 6 & May 21, 2025

- Vision Statement
- Local Governance
- Neighborhoods
- Social Health



VISION AND COMMUNITY CHAPTERS

June 5 & June 18, 2025

- Natural Environment
- Parks & Recreation
- Shorelines



ENVIRONMENT CHAPTERS

June 30 & July 17, 2025

- Urban Design & Historic Preservation
- Econ. Development
- Housing



HOW WE GROW CHAPTERS

Q1 2026

- Land Use
- Capital Facilities
- Transportation



TECHNICAL CHAPTERS

Background

The City of Spokane is preparing a periodic update to the City's Comprehensive Plan. A "periodic update" is the state's term for a full review of a Comprehensive Plan, intended to maintain conformance with any changes to state law. The update also provides an opportunity learn about any changes supported by the community.

The City's first Comprehensive Plan under the Growth Management Act was adopted in 2001 after a robust community engagement process. It contains 14 Chapters which include Housing, Land Use, Transportation, Neighborhoods, Capital Facilities, Natural Environments, and more. Minor annual amendments are processed most years, which primarily consider adjustments to the land use designation and zoning of individual properties needed to meet project needs. Then, every ten years the City goes through a Periodic Update as required by the Growth Management Act, which takes a deeper look at the entire document. Spokane's last Periodic Update was adopted in 2017 and is called "Shaping Spokane".

The next Periodic Update is due to be adopted by the end of in 2026. Dubbed PlanSpokane 2046, this update is looking at the next twenty-year planning horizon. While regular amendments have occurred over time, this effort will be the first substantial update since the Comprehensive Plan was first adopted in 2001. Facing significant population growth and changing local factors, this update provides the community with an opportunity to reevaluate our vision and development strategy to meet current and future needs of the community. The goals of this update are to meet all state legislative requirements updated since 2017, incorporate community input around changing needs and wants, and to streamline the Plan and make it easier to read and more user friendly.

Roles and Expectations

To best navigate potential and proposed updates to the current Comprehensive Plan chapters, a Plan Commission Subcommittee has been created to allow for additional time for in-depth discussion and input. After the subcommittee provides input, the entire Plan Commission will discuss these and other changes. To ensure productive and thorough review of the chapters, roles and expectations have been established for both the City of Spokane Planning Staff and City of Spokane Plan Commission Subcommittee.

City of Spokane Planning Staff

The City of Spokane Planning Staff agrees to:

- Provide materials and streamlined drafts of the relevant chapters one week prior to each Subcommittee meeting.
- Present an overview of the streamlined drafts, relevant state legislation and plans, and community feedback to the Subcommittee.

- Summarize discussion of the Subcommittee to present before the full Plan Commission body.

City of Spokane Plan Commission Subcommittee

The City of Spokane Plan Commission Subcommittee agrees to:

- Review all materials before the designated Subcommittee meeting.
- Be prepared with questions and comments for the designated Subcommittee to foster robust conversation.

Because there is so much to discuss, and time is somewhat limited, there will not be time during the meetings for staff to go line by line through every change. We ask that subcommittee members commit the necessary time to read and understand the chapters before we meet, so we can spend our time most productively during the meetings.

Scope of PlanSpokane 2046 Chapter Review

The final product of PlanSpokane 2046 will be based off the existing Comprehensive Plan and past engagement, state requirements, and new community input. The document will also be streamlined to greater usability and rebranded to PlanSpokane.

This is not an entirely new Comprehensive Plan. The intent is to pay homage to the existing plan and the work and input by so many in the past, while simultaneously making this a plan of today, for tomorrow—one that is easier to read, containing less cumbersome language. The hope is to have a new plan that incorporates the best of the old plan while simultaneously taking advantage of new information, plans, and policies.

To assist in the review of the existing Comprehensive Plan chapters, the chapters have been organized into thematic categories: Community Chapters, Environmental Chapters, How We Grow Chapters, Technical Chapters, and Functional Chapters. Initial work with the first three groups can occur during summer of 2025, since those chapters are less likely to be affected by the selection of a preferred growth strategy (part of the Environmental Impact Statement preparation). Review of the Technical Chapters, those most affected by the preferred alternative, will occur early 2026, while the Functional Chapters will be finalized at the end.

Additionally, Climate Planning efforts are occurring through a separate process, as funded by the Climate Commitment Act. Policy discussion is expected late 2026 through early 2027, with climate and resiliency related policies being integrated into the overall Comprehensive Plan afterwards. More information about Climate Planning can be found at my.spokanecity.org/climateplanning.

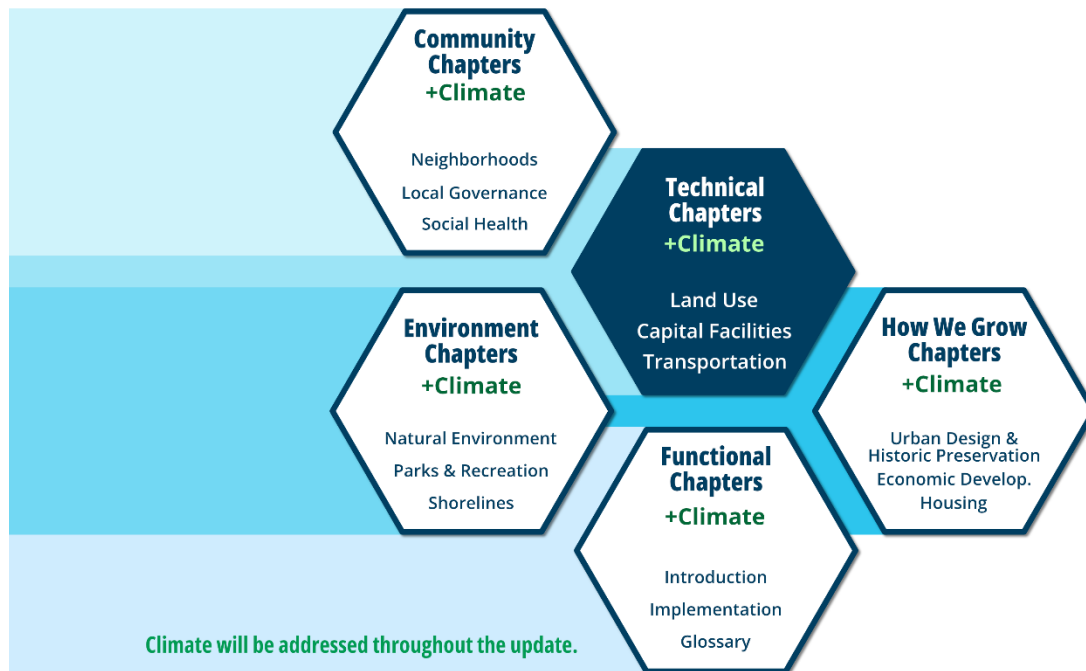


Figure 1. Illustration of the City of Spokane Comprehensive Plan Chapter Groupings for streamlined review.

Review Timeline

The process for this update is very complex, with a lot of moving parts. There are major efforts underway that will inform and affect the eventual Comprehensive Plan, and these efforts are on their own timelines and paths, necessitating a flexible process for review and consideration. Know that this review of the first three chapter groups is only the beginning. The entire Plan Commission will be having many conversations and workshops regarding the various moving parts along the way.

The general timeline is as follows:

1. The Plan Commission Subcommittee reviews the first three groupings (May, June, July 2025)
2. The first three groupings will be brought before the full Plan Commission body (August, September 2025)
3. The first public draft of the first three-chapter groupings will be released for public comment along with the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (tentatively October 2025)
4. Technical Chapter work with Plan Commission, along with review of the Draft Alternatives and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (October through December 2025)
5. During this time, climate policies and language will begin to be inserted into the document as well as the results of the City's ongoing work around Racially Disparate Impacts and as well as Displacement
6. The first full draft will be released to the public as soon as the preferred alternative is selected, and analysis is nearing completion (later part of Q1 2026)

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Chapter 9: Neighborhoods

Introduction and Guidelines

The following chapter provides the goals and policies meant to guide growth and development in the City of Spokane through the lens of the **Neighborhoods** element. While reviewing this document, it helps to keep a few things in mind:

1. PlanSpokane 2046 is NOT an entirely new document. The existing Comprehensive Plan and ongoing community engagement were the foundation of this document, along with adopted plans, state legislation, and new engagement informing proposed changes.
2. The current Comprehensive Plan, Shaping Spokane, can be found at shapingspokane.org. Readers may refer to that document if they wish to see the existing chapter language.
3. The Vision and Values, previously found in each chapter, are being combined into a single unified vision for the City. Accordingly, those sections of the chapters do not appear in this document.
4. Many policies in the existing plan include “discussion” below the policy. Where those discussions do not provide a better understanding or clarification of the policy, they have been removed from this new document or the language in that discussion has been incorporated into the policy language itself. These removals are not identified specifically here.
5. The plan has undergone a review and minor edits throughout. Terms have been updated, language has been streamlined, and many small changes have been made to increase readability and understanding. Minor wording changes aren’t marked directly to make sure the proposed language is as clear as possible, but any large updates may be identified.
6. A range of helpful notes are provided in the sidebar to the right—these are not part of the proposed text, rather they help readers understand certain proposed changes.
7. The [Climate Planning effort](#) is still ongoing and may affect the language in the chapter later on. Places where we anticipate this *might* occur will be marked with the appropriate icon (see at right).
8. Work towards understanding Racially Disparate Impacts and Displacement is ongoing and may likewise have an impact on the language in this chapter. Where we anticipate this happening, an icon has been included (see at right).
9. Some policies or goals from the past versions of the Comprehensive Plan may have been omitted. If they have been combined with other

The following icons will appear where:



General information or notation is provided, clarifying changes to the existing text.



Language was streamlined or condensed. Minor changes won’t be marked.



New text or policy was added, not sourced from the current plan.



Two or more policies in the existing plan were combined into one.



A policy or language was added because of a change in state law requirements.



Climate and Resiliency work might impact this language in the future.



Racially Disparate Impacts or Displacement work may impact this language in the future.



Text, goals, or policies were removed—a reason will be provided.

policies or goals, there will be an icon and description in the blue margin. Where policies or goals have been removed entirely, they are listed at the end in their own section.

The currently proposed language for this chapter begins on the following page. Please be sure to note the “version date” at the bottom of the page, as we anticipate future changes as this effort evolves.

Neighborhoods

Introduction: The Future of Spokane's Neighborhoods

The neighborhoods chapter contains goals and policies that set the direction for citywide neighborhood growth and development. They establish basic principles that apply to all neighborhoods, ensuring an overall growth pattern that represents the interests and desires of the entire community.

This chapter's goals and policies are intended to enable Spokane to be a cohesive network of unique neighborhoods that residents are proud to call home by providing residents with all they need to live healthy, happy lives.

Discussion of Spokane's neighborhoods cannot be complete without highlighting the Neighborhood Councils. Often it can be difficult to discern whether policy or other guidance in this document is referring to Neighborhood Councils - the member bodies that inform and represent the neighborhoods- or the physical neighborhood itself. In general, these goals and policies apply to and benefit both. For clarity, any time the text is referring directly to the Neighborhood Councils, the full term will be used. The word 'neighborhood' generally refers to the physical neighborhood, which may or may not conform to the Neighborhood Councils boundaries.

Goals and Policies

Goals and policies provide specificity for planning and decision-making. Overall, they indicate desired directions, accomplishments, or aims in relation to the growth and development of Spokane.

Goal: N-1, The Downtown Neighborhood

Recognize downtown Spokane as the primary economic and cultural center of the region and improve its viability as a desirable neighborhood in which to live, visit, and conduct business.

Policy: N-1.1, Downtown Development

Provide a variety of housing, recreation, and daily service opportunities within the downtown neighborhood that attract and retain neighborhood residents to support downtown and surrounding neighborhoods, recognizing the value the downtown neighborhood holds for all residents, visitors, and employees in the city.

Goal: N-2, Neighborhood Development

Reinforce the stability and vibrancy of the city's neighborhoods to attract a diversity of long-term residents and businesses to ensure high residential quality, community connectedness, and economic vitality.



Better cross-referencing is something staff is developing as part of the final format—including a needed cross reference here to Chapter 13, Governance and Civic Participation.



The header section here used to include a reference to the EIS, but since the City is developing a new EIS for this update the reference was out of date.



This policy has been reworted to strengthen the downtown neighborhood's relationship to other neighborhoods.

Policy: N-2.1, Neighborhood Quality of Life

Ensure that Spokane's neighborhoods continue to offer residents transportation and living options, safe streets, and trusted public services, as well as cultural, social, economic, educational, and recreational opportunities that sustain and enhance the vitality, diversity, and quality of life within neighborhoods.

Policy: N-2.2, Neighborhood Services

Provide economic opportunities and community events that are centrally located, easily accessible, and affordable to support neighborhoods in enabling people to live, work, shop, socialize, and receive other essential services within their neighborhood.

Policy: N-2.3, Accessible Services

Ensure that neighborhood-based services are available and accessible to residents of all ages and abilities, such as being in proximity to public transit routes, bicycle infrastructure, or robust pedestrian amenities.

Policy: N-2.4, Neighborhood Improvement

Encourage revitalization and improvement programs to conserve and upgrade existing properties and buildings to prevent deterioration of current housing stock and support adaptive reuse.

Policy: N-2.5, Neighborhood Arts

Provide access to public art, including sculptures, murals, special sites, and facilities, in all neighborhoods through programs and investments.

Policy: N-2.6, Housing Diversity

Support a vibrant mix of households by providing a diversity of housing options for neighborhood residents by preserving existing housing units and allowing for the development of moderate density housing options in all neighborhoods.

Policy: N-2.7, Building Community and Sense of Place

Promote efforts that provide neighborhoods with social amenities, opportunities for social interaction, and a sense of place that helps build community connection.

Goal: N-3, Neighborhood Facilities

Maximize the usefulness of, and access to, existing and future neighborhood facilities and services while minimizing the impacts of major facilities located within neighborhoods.



"Cultural opportunities" was added here to highlight their value to communities.



Some of the terms in this policy have been updated to more current/inclusive forms.



This policy has been updated to provide additional support for resiliency.



A cross-reference to Chapter 3, Land Use, is likely to be included here, as art touches on land use as well.



Policy 2.6 is new, sourced from the Building Opportunity for Housing work and held until the update to include.



Policy N-2.7 was formerly a goal—it has been combined into a policy under Goal N-2.



A cross-reference will be added here to the term "major facilities" in the glossary.

Policy: N-3.1, Multipurpose Use of Neighborhood Buildings

Work with neighborhoods to develop a strategy for the multipurpose and/or shared use of existing structures and the extension of services within neighborhoods for neighborhood activities.

Policy: N-3.2, Major Facilities

Work with Neighborhood Councils and relevant groups to explore mitigation measures, public amenity enhancements, and alternative locations when siting major facilities.

Policy: N-3.3, Gathering Places

Increase the number of public gathering places within neighborhoods to encourage neighborhood socialization and promote a more cohesive and safer neighborhood, including the provision of indoor spaces for gatherings and events in all weather and seasons.

Goal: N-4, Traffic and Circulation

Provide Spokane residents with clean air, safe streets, and peaceful living environments by ensuring impacts to neighborhoods are considered when planning or changing the transportation network.

Policy: N-4.1, Neighborhood Streets

Refrain, when possible, from constructing new arterials that bisect neighborhoods and from widening streets within neighborhoods for the purpose of accommodating additional automobiles.

Policy: N-4.2, Traffic Patterns

Alter traffic patterns and redesign neighborhood streets to include large street trees, bicycle lanes, sidewalks, traffic circles, stop signs, and/or narrower streets to discourage speeding and improve neighborhood safety.

Policy: N-4.3, Neighborhood Business Traffic

Ensure that the size of a neighborhood business is appropriate for the size of the neighborhood it serves so that trips generated by non-local traffic through the neighborhood are minimized.

Policy: N-4.4, Multimodal Transportation

Promote a variety of transportation options, including walking, biking, rolling, and public transportation, to reduce automobile dependency and neighborhood traffic.

Policy: N-4.5, Pedestrian and Bicycle Connections

Establish a continuous pedestrian and bicycle network between and among all neighborhoods.



The original policy was redundant with policies in Chapter 3. It has been reworded to focus more on neighborhood impacts.



This policy was moved here from Goal N-7, which has been made a policy under Goal N-2.



Original Policy 4.1 and the goal were combined into one, better aligning with the intent of this Chapter.

As a result, the policies below have been renumbered by one.



This policy was updated to more closely relate to current complete streets and safe transportation concepts.



This policy may move to Chapter 3, where the document will likely address commercial uses inside residential neighborhoods more directly.



Examples of what constitutes "multimodal" were added to N-4.4 to ensure clarity.

Policy: N-4.6, Pedestrian Design

Design neighborhoods for pedestrians by increasing transportation options, convenience, safety, social interaction, and comfortable streetscapes.

Policy: N-4.7, Sidewalks

Identify and implement strategies to maintain, repair, or build new sidewalks in existing neighborhoods, and require sidewalks in new areas of development.

Policy: N-4.8, Pedestrian Safety

Establish design principles to enhance pedestrian safety in neighborhoods through adequate pedestrian lighting and landscape design, sidewalk systems, pathways, building access that is visible from the street, and open views.

Policy: N-4.9, School Walking and Bus Routes

Coordinate with local schools and colleges to identify bus, biking, and walking routes to and from neighborhood schools that require safety and infrastructure improvements.

Goal: N-5, Open Space

Increase the number of outdoor gathering spaces, greenbelts, trails, and pedestrian bridges within and between neighborhoods.

Policy: N-5.1, Future Parks Planning

Utilize public-private partnerships between neighborhood groups and the City of Spokane Parks and Recreation Department to locate land and develop financing strategies that meet the level of service standards for neighborhood parks and/or open space to provide neighborhood residents with areas for recreation and socializing, reinforcing a sense of home and community.

Policy: N-5.2, Connectivity via Greenbelts and Open Space

Connect neighborhoods with an open space greenbelt system, including paths and non-vehicular access, to increase opportunities for alternative forms of transportation between and among neighborhoods.

Goal: N-6, The Natural Environment

Protect and enhance the natural environment within neighborhoods.

Policy: N-6.1, Environmental Planning

Protect and steward the natural environment within neighborhoods when introducing new projects to support community health, safety, and livability.



The 'discussion' under this policy has been incorporated into the policy itself.



The mention of safety improvements in this policy was added following public engagement on the South Logan TOD Study, highlighting that need.



Some of the language in the original 'discussion' under this policy has been inserted into the policy itself.



Connectivity between neighborhoods was a big topic during public engagement efforts. Thus, these concept have been strengthened here.



The ongoing Climate and Resiliency work may impact this section later in the process.

Policy: N-6.2, Open Space and Nature Corridors

Consider and implement connections between and among neighborhoods and designated open spaces/nature corridors when planning, designating, and maintaining such areas.

Policy: N-6.3, Maintenance of City-Owned Open Space and Amenities

Coordinate and partner with neighborhoods in the maintenance and operation of City property, with the intent of ensuring proper maintenance and operation of facilities for neighborhood use like greenways, paths, street features, and parks.

Goal: N-7, Neighborhood Planning

Goal: Coordinate and partner with Neighborhood Councils when developing, adopting, or amending public projects and programs in consideration of each neighborhood's sense of identity, unique needs, and opportunities.

Policy: N-7.1, Inclusive Neighborhood Planning

Ensure that any planning involving or affecting neighborhoods is conducted to include the contribution of all interested parties, including those from vulnerable populations and overburdened communities, Neighborhood Councils, institutions, organizations, and individuals of all ages and abilities, property owners, renters, businesses, employees, and visitors.

Policy: N-7.2, Neighborhood Planning

Develop a process and avenues through which neighborhoods can participate in and inform comprehensive planning, policy, and code development and amendments, commensurate with the requirements of state law and the ideals of inclusive, effective planning.

Policy: N-7.3, Plan Consistency and Implementation

Consider and address the desires of neighborhoods expressed in their adopted neighborhood plans by consulting these plans and analyzing the impacts of any new City plans, programs, or policies against the goals and stated desires of neighborhood plans, including during comprehensive plan amendments and updates.

Policy: N-7.4, Connections and Impacts Between and Among Neighborhoods

Consider the impacts of decisions on both the neighborhood most directly involved but also how neighborhoods are interconnected and relate to each other when conducting planning or policy/code amendments.



N-6.2 and N-6.3 have been reworded to provide for a connection between the topic and neighborhoods.



Neighborhood planning has evolved in Spokane over time—this goal and its policies have been reworded to better reflect that there is and should be multiple opportunities and avenues for neighborhood interaction with the policy and planning of the City, not just the one program that began in the past.

POLICIES REMOVED FROM THE TEXT:

The following policies have been removed from the text, largely due to redundancy, unclear goals/success, and similar factors.

Policy: N-5.2, Parks and Squares in Neighborhood Centers

Include a park and/or square in each neighborhood center.

Policy: N-7.2, City Hall Outreach

Encourage City Hall outreach efforts in neighborhoods by providing neighborhoods with public information regarding city announcements, newsletters, and other neighborhood specific information.

Policy: N-6.2, Code Enforcement

Enforce the city codes for public nuisances impacting neighborhood properties.

Policy: N-8.7, Agreement for Joint Planning

Agree Coordinate with the county, affected neighborhoods, and interested stakeholders on a consistent process for developing neighborhood plans within the adjacent unincorporated Urban Growth Area as consistent with the Growth Management Act (GMA).

Policy: N-8.8, Neighborhood Planning Outside the City

Use the City of Spokane, and Spokane County, and Growth Management Act planning processes when conducting planning in neighborhoods within the city's unincorporated UGA.

Policy: N-8.9, Consistency of Plans Outside the City

Maintain consistency between the City's unincorporated UGA neighborhood plans and the City of Spokane and Spokane County Comprehensive Plans.



N 5.2 will be moved to the Land Use Chapter.



This policy is already addressed in the Governance and Public Participation chapter.



N 6.2 is an implementation action, not a policy. The City's code enforcement is guided by SMC standards. Joint planning may be included in Chapter 3, Land Use as well.



These three policies (N 8.7 through N 8.9) are a subject of State Law and the Growth Management Act—accordingly these policies have no effect beyond those already required by the state. Furthermore, per GMA, the City has no authority over neighborhood plans or general zoning/code in adjacent jurisdictions.

Budget Committee requests to use up to \$450 in available funding to purchase lawn games for the CA Inventory Closet.



LGC 2.4 Broad Community Representation

Strengthen the connection between city residents and city government by maintaining geographic diversity, cultural variety, and a wide range of community philosophies on boards and commissions.

LGC 2.5 Boards and Commissions

Enhance the efficacy, credibility and value of City of Spokane boards and commissions by assigning substantial value to recommendations forwarded to decision authorities as an institutional discipline.



LGC 3 PLANNING THROUGH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

Goal: Utilize the neighborhood councils and the Community Assembly as a way for the public to participate in planning activities and bring proposals through the City Plan Commission to the City Council.

Policies

LGC 3.1 Forum for Citizens

Use neighborhood councils as one of many forums for citizens to bring issues and/or problems to the City of Spokane for debate and to express their preferences for resolution.

LGC 3.2 Roles, Relationships, and Responsibilities

Maintain the role, relationship, and responsibility of the neighborhood councils relative to City of Spokane activities as expressed in the City of Spokane Charter.

LGC 3.3 Collaboration and Problem Solving

Create opportunities that showcase successful collaboration among the neighborhoods.

Discussion: It is important to establish structure and ground rules for public discussion of planning issues and other topics. The expectations of the community must be clear to everyone. In the early 1990s, the City Council created the Community Assembly and Neighborhood Council program as the principal conduit for communications. However, the guidelines necessary for effective and efficient communication initially were not established. It is important that these guidelines be institutionalized and passed on from generation to generation. It is also important that these guidelines promote collaboration in pursuit of the common good and avoid the ability of a neighborhood to pursue a particular interest to the detriment of other neighborhoods or the city at large.



LGC 4 CITIZEN AND GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATION

Goal: Maintain open two-way communication between the city and its citizens through a variety of avenues.

Policies

LGC 4.1 City Communication With the Community

Continue to maintain a program of city communications with the community through all forms of media utilizing trained and experienced professional communication officials.

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Goal: LGC-3, Planning Through Neighborhood Councils

Utilize the neighborhood councils and the Community Assembly as a way for the public to participate in planning activities and bring proposals through the City Plan Commission to the City Council.

Policy: LGC 3.1, Forum for Community Members

Use neighborhood councils as one of many forums for community members to bring issues and/or problems to the City of Spokane for debate and to express their preferences for resolution.

Policy: LGC 3.2, Roles, Relationships, and Responsibilities

Maintain the role, relationship, and responsibility of the neighborhood councils as expressed in the City of Spokane Charter, such as reviewing and recommending policies and plans and assisting in identifying priority needs and improvements for the neighborhood.

This policy was updated slightly for clarity.

Policy: LGC 3.3, Collaboration and Problem Solving

Create opportunities that foster successful collaboration among the neighborhoods in pursuit of the common good rather than individual interests to the detriment of other neighborhoods or the city at large.

Policy: LGC 3.4, Community Representation

Encourage representation of a broad range of community members within the neighborhood councils to deepen neighborhood collaboration and connectedness, including the involvement of vulnerable populations and overburdened communities.



This policy is new, added to conform with recent legislation (HB1181).



Administrative Committee Meeting Notes

Tuesday, May 27th 2025, 4:00 - 5:30 pm

City Hall and via Zoom

Present in person: Sandy Wicht (Comstock - Admin), Luke Tolley (Bemiss - Admin Chair), Bill Doley (Rockwood - Admin Vice Chair), Tina Luerssen (Grandview/Thorpe - Admin Secretary), Amber Groe (ONS), Fran Papenleur (Audubon/Downriver), Laura Johnson (Hillyard - CA Budget Committee). **Virtual:** Paul Kropp (Southgate - CA P&P Cmte Chair).

April 2025 minutes M/S/P unopposed.

June CA Agenda. June 5th at Liberty Park Library.

Agenda Requests:

1. Action items from May CA:
 - a. Comp Plan Updates - Tirrell and Kevin requested June CA agenda time, to focus on updates for Neighborhoods chapter. (30 minutes)
 - b. Development Moratorium Resolution - CM Dillon responded with a list of “progress”, moratorium was not extended. Wasn’t on the Urban Experience agenda for comment/input. (Luke will address during Action Items update)
 - c. Climate Resiliency and Sustainability Board Liaison request - CMs Bingle and Cathcart suggested to allow a voting CA liaison (which would allow participation on committees), with Chris Wright and Paul Kropp to connect for verbiage. (Will request an update from CP Wilkerson)
2. ONS Director Introduction (10 minutes)
3. Budget Committee requesting time for roll-call vote on expenses. Balboa/SIT did not attend training, making them ineligible for CE Grant, leaving at least \$850 available. Request to purchase large yard games for NCs to check out for events. Storage room is being cleared out for more space. Budget Committee is moving meetings to 3rd Monday, at NevaWood storage room. (10 minutes)
4. CC Neighborhoods Workgroup Alternates. Be prepared for secret ballot, Tina will lead the discussion. (10 minutes)

Admin Committee Business

1. Bill and Sandy raised a developer issue, they’re discussing with Land Use committee.
2. Admin Committee Goals, to show committee accomplishments.
 - a. Suggestion to be more proactive with committees to review P&P/Goals at year-end.
3. Hybrid meeting facilitator volunteers: 3 volunteers reached out to Amber. Angel Troutt (Shiloh Hills), Tyler “TK” Kern (Minnehaha), Angel Six (West Central youth member).
 - a. Tina created a “job description” for the position and shared to Admin. No requested edits.
 - b. Suggestion to share JD to these 3 candidates and if still interested, invite to 6/24 Admin committee meeting to review; practice running hybrid Admin; do a “dry run” with these volunteers for 7/10 CA meeting.
4. NC Attendance and notification: Logan has been absent 4 months, Tina contacted Lindsey who is

solo without any backup. Northwest has been absent 2 months, sounds like Gail may be taking back over CA position. Cliff/Cannon has been absent 2 months, new executive board should be returning.

5. Transportation Commission - Cliff sent an email to Commission leadership and Legal, requesting full voting rights at the TC. Paul will bring this to the Liaison Committee and back to Admin next month.
6. Sandy asked about inviting Judge Logan's opponent to present at CA. No campaigning at CA, Logan presented in her capacity of sitting judge. We could invite other candidates to attend CA and meet/greet without agenda time.
7. CA P&P - Luke and Paul have discussed the P&P work. Paul and Dan are working on the document, mainly editorial cleanup. Request to present at July CA meeting.
8. CA Retreat - last held in 2022, facilitated by GU. Continue this discussion with Heather Hamlin next month.

Future CA Agenda Items **July 10th** requests:

1. Transportation Commission liaison - voting request? Paul will update.
2. P&P - presentation for August vote.
3. CA Retreat?

Approve 6/5/25 CA Agenda M/S/P:

May Actionable Review (Luke Tolley) 5m - Development Moratorium and CRSB Liaison resolutions.

CC Update (CP Wilkerson) 10m

ONS Director Introduction (Erin Hut, Heather Hamlin) 10m

Comp Plan Update (Tirrell Black, Kevin Friebott) 30m

Budget Committee Request (Laura Johnson) 10m - Roll-call vote

Workgroup Alternates (Tina Luerssen) 10m - Vote

CA Committee Updates (Committee Chairs) 20m

Actionable Review/Future Considerations (Luke Tolley) 5m

Annual CA calendar: Reminders for Nominations Committee in **September**, Committee P&P updates in **October**, annual liaison update schedule.

Next Admin Committee meeting Tuesday, June 24th at City Hall/Zoom 4:00-5:30PM.

Admin agenda: Heather Hamlin, ONS Director.

Meeting Minutes

CA Budget Committee Meeting

Date: May 19, 2025

Time: 7:12 PM

Location: Field Trip to the Nevawood Resource Closet

Chair: Laura Johnson

Notetaker: Jael Stebbins

ONS Liaison: Gabby Ryan

1. Introductions and Attendance

- Attendance was taken. A quorum was established. In attendance:
- Andy Hoyer- Chair
- Laura Johnson- CoChair
- Jael Stebbins-Notetaker
- Gabby Ryan-ONS Liaison
- Jeff Braunschweig -Member
- Dan Brown- Member

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

- **Motion:** Dan motioned to approve the previous minutes, with a correction to the spelling of Bovey's name.
- **Seconded:** Jael.
- **Outcome:** All approved.

3. Updates on Community Engagement Grants Applications

Presented by Gabby Ryan:

- **Hillyard and Bemis Grants:**
 - Minutes were reviewed and the prior concerns were addressed.
 - **Motion:** To approve both grant applications.

- **Outcome:** Approved.
- **Peaceful Valley Grant:**
 - Does not have performance measures but has submitted a request for funding for their annual community potluck and block party.
 - Requested:
 - \$350 for block party entertainment
 - \$250 for food
 - \$130 for kids' activities
 - \$150 for popcorn
 - \$70 for flyers
 - **Action Item:** More specifics are needed on kids' activities. Gabby suggested waiting until July to submit, with a recommendation to house games at the Nevawood Resource Closet.
 - **Motion:** To tentatively approve the grant once minutes are resubmitted. In the interim, they suggest they update their request for kid's activities.
 - **Outcome:** Approved.
- **Rockwood Grant:**
 - Requested activities for kids for a June 10th party at Hutton Elementary School.
 - However, Bill Doley reported that the event will not happen due to lack of support.
 - **Action Item:** Gabby will send an email to Bill to clarify what is allowed with the grant and inform him about the 7 lawn games being housed at the Nevawood Resource Closet.
 - **Motion:** To tentatively approve Rockwood's application once Gabby communicates the necessary details.
 - **Outcome:** Approved.

4. Resource Closet Kids' Items

- **Motion:** Budget Committee to choose 7 community lawn games totaling no more than \$425 for the Nevawood Resource Closet.
 - Games include: Jenga, Cornhole, Spikeball, Ring Toss, Ladder Ball, Mini Cornhole, 3-in-1 Connect Four set.
 - **Outcome:** Approved.
 - This allocation leaves \$268 for additional items later in the summer.
- **Action Item:** If additional funds are available, future requests may include items like walkie-talkies, a snow cone maker, etc.

5. Admin Committee Requests

- **Zoom License:** Requested for \$175. Missing performance measures.
 - **Motion:** To approve the Admin Committee's Zoom license request.
 - **Outcome:** Approved.
- **Comstock Grant:** Requested up to \$300 for food and water, and \$500 for marketing materials. Missing performance measures.
 - **Motion:** To approve pending performance measures.
 - **Outcome:** Approved.

6. Future Meeting Schedule

- **Proposal:** Moving the Budget Committee meetings to the third Monday of the month.
 - **Discussion:**
 - It was suggested that this would allow more time to prepare for the CA meeting and align better with the CE grant application deadlines.
 - It was agreed to revisit this discussion at the end of the year, as it may require changes to the bylaws or policies and procedures.
 - **Motion:** To move the meeting location to the Nevawood Resource Closet on the third Monday of the month, using FaceTime instead of Zoom.
 - **Outcome:** Approved.

7. Remaining Meeting Time

- The remainder of the meeting was spent organizing the Nevawood Resource Closet.
 - Committee members reviewed and rearranged items, taking notes on what might be needed to make the closet more user-friendly.
 - Potential future vote on additional items for the closet.

8. Roundtable Discussion

- No new business raised during the roundtable.

9. Adjournment

- **Time:** 8:24 PM.
- Meeting adjourned, with the committee using the remaining time to organize the closet.

Standing 2025 Goals

1. Continue refining processes, application materials, program resources, and timelines.
2. Review and possibly update the Budget Committee Policies and Procedures and Bylaws.
3. Update the online Community Engagement Grant Website.
4. Provide a mid-year report (spent, committed, available) if possible.
5. Provide a year-end report to the CA and City Council in December.
6. Maintain, increase, and document neighborhood participation.

DRAFT CA-Liaison Committee Meeting Notes – 05-13-2025 – Liberty Park Library

(also via Zoom)

Present: Paul Kropp, Southgate, Chair; Andy Hoyer, Southgate, Recorder; Bonnie McInnis, West Central; Lorna Walsh, Riverside (via Zoom)

A quorum was noted. We approved the minutes of the April meeting.

Liaison attendance at their various boards and committees was updated by Paul and reviewed. Lorna is working to update the chart showing the schedule of liaisons' reporting to the CA.

Cliff Winger, liaison to the Transportation Commission, has been invited to attend the June meeting of this committee to discuss the two different liaison roles on the Transportation Commission.

The CA's recommendation that the City Council appoint a CA liaison to the Climate and Resiliency Board has been sent to the PIES committee; the CA has heard verbal support of the idea from Council President Wilkerson.

Paul suggested we wait until after the November Bond vote to re-open the need/utility/purpose of a liaison to the Park Board DVC. This was agreed by consensus.

We discussed the "Liaison Committee brochure." Previous text was approved. We believe it should appear in some form on the City Website. We decided to ask Gabby Ryan to prepare a graphic header and to format the text into an appealing brochure. If she agrees, the Liaison Committee would then review it for final form, appeal for \$ for printing to the Budget Committee, thence to the full CA for approval. Lorna was to start this process by sending the text to Gabby.

We noted that the City has the wrong time for our meeting on our committee's web page. Paul agreed to request an update to that, which is 2 PM on the second Tuesday of the month.

We noted that the Plan Commission liaison position expires on 12-31-2025 and we will have to decide when to begin the process of recruiting via neighborhood councils to fill that slot, probably early fall.

The next meeting is June 10 back at the South Hill public library.

Submitted by Andy Hoyer
Edited by Paul Kropp

Pedestrian, Traffic and Transportation (PeTT) CA Meeting

5/27/25 at 6:00pm on Zoom

Attendance: Carol Tomsic-chair, Lincoln Heights, Ann Haggett-Peaceful Valley, Charles Hansen-Whitman, David Eagle-Chief Garry Park, Carlie Hoffman-Shilo Hills, Rod Moore-Riverside, Chuck Carter-Manito/Cannon Hill, Mary Winkes-Manito/Cannon Hill, Ryan Jerman- Browne's Addition, Cliff Winger-Shilo Hills, Transportation Commission, Jon Snyder-Transportation Commission, Tara Limon-STA, Madeline Arredondo-STA, Drew Redman-STA,

The meeting is called to order by Carol Tomsic.

Jon Snyder, Director of Transportation and Sustainability. Discussion of Spokane's city urban staircases. The presentation included three handouts: Spokane City Stairs -condition list, City Stairs-snow and winter maintenance program and City of Spokane Stair Location map. There are 24 staircases in Spokane with the longer ones named Cedar Street from Riverside to Wilson Avenue and Spruce Steet from Riverside into Peaceful Valley from Browne's Addition (which is currently closed due to maintenance issues). Two sets of stairs are part of a Safe Steets grant including the College Ave stairs from Maple St to Ash and the Spruce St stairs into Peaceful Valley if the allocation is not changed. Additional staircase repair could be added depending on costs. Ann Haggett noted the Peaceful Valley staircase has been a long-term concern and these stairs are used daily by residents. Jon noted this new construction project would most likely be steel fabrication. David Sagle added that the Tuffy's Trail stairs on the north side of Mission bridge are deteriorated and in need of repair. He also added that concrete construction has a high carbon footprint and that the use of precast concrete is a better option in similar cases. Jon described the use of concrete as a necessary product for sidewalk repair due to its longevity and takes people out of their cars and onto walking and buses. He said he would be interested in seeing examples of how other cities have used precast products. Ann invited Jon to attend an upcoming Peaceful Valley Neighborhood Council meeting.

Madeline Arredondo, Associate Transportation Planner STA-Transit Development Plan. The 2026-31 Transit Development Plan pyramid includes the Service Improvement Plan-SIP, the Capital Improvement Plan-CIP and Transit Asset Management Plan-TSM. This also fulfills national program guidelines and is included in the WADOT annual report to the legislature. The SIP outlines fixed route service changes set to take place in 2026, 2027 and 2028. The CIP outlines planned capital expenditures for a six-year period through 2030. The 2026-2031 CIP by program category total is \$495,350,488 funded through various sources including Connect2035. Featured CIP projects of Wellesley HPT and Argonne Station are currently seeking funding through federal and state grants. The next steps show a timeline of meetings and hearings thru July24, 2025 where the STA Board of Directors will consider the proposed plan adoption. Carol asked what would you do if the proposed levy does not pass? Madeline replied that they aren't considering those options as they feel the levy will succeed.

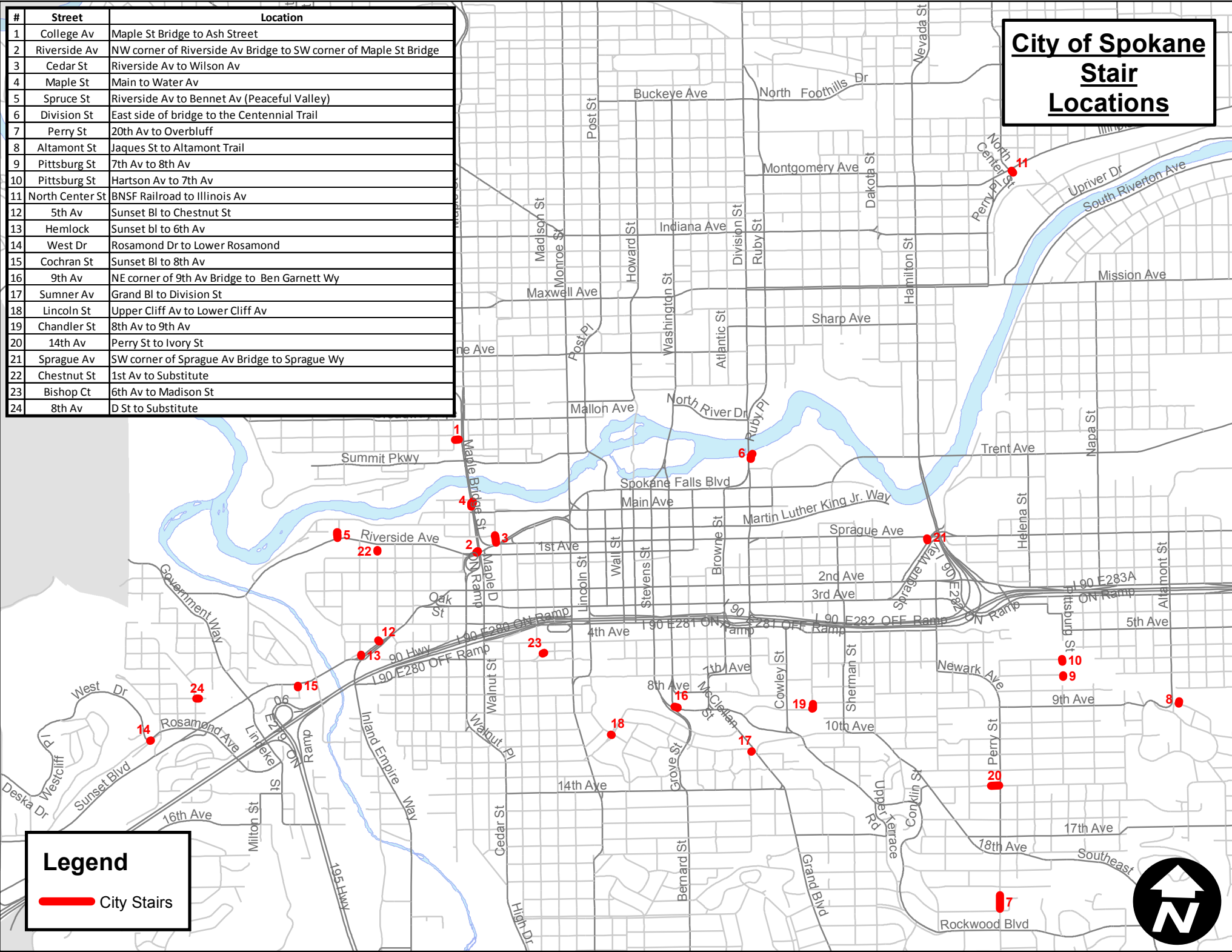
Drew Redman, STA. Updates. Reports that the open house for Argonne Station is June 18th, 4-6 pm at the Spokane Valley Library. The Division Street Rapid Transit open house is June 24th 4-6pm at the Hemmingson Center at Gonzaga. They will be giving away a double-decker golden ticket for a ride on the bus before it goes into service at the Cheney Rodeo. Mary asked Drew about responsibility for setting up new school locations. He commented that it is a collaborative effort with STA, the City and School district.

Cliff Winger report from Transportation Commission meeting 5/21/25: The agenda was dedicated to planning. If you see problems in your neighborhood, let one of the three commissioners know. Car tab renewals are a major source of funding and there is a penalty for not renewing them on time. The Complete Streets program was reviewed, and modifications were recommended. From here it goes to the Planning Commission and then to the City Council for vote.

Roundtable: David discussed the use of concrete for sidewalks contributes to global warming. The city puts this responsibility on the homeowners. The use of pavers is still cement and are a suitable alternative. Ann commented that neighborhoods need to support projects and if they don't, it puts the responsibility on the homeowner.

#	Street	Location
1	College Av	Maple St Bridge to Ash Street
2	Riverside Av	NW corner of Riverside Av Bridge to SW corner of Maple St Bridge
3	Cedar St	Riverside Av to Wilson Av
4	Maple St	Main to Water Av
5	Spruce St	Riverside Av to Bennet Av (Peaceful Valley)
6	Division St	East side of bridge to the Centennial Trail
7	Perry St	20th Av to Overbluff
8	Altamont St	Jaques St to Altamont Trail
9	Pittsburg St	7th Av to 8th Av
10	Pittsburg St	Hartson Av to 7th Av
11	North Center St	BNSF Railroad to Illinois Av
12	5th Av	Sunset Bl to Chestnut St
13	Hemlock	Sunset bl to 6th Av
14	West Dr	Rosamond Dr to Lower Rosamond
15	Cochran St	Sunset Bl to 8th Av
16	9th Av	NE corner of 9th Av Bridge to Ben Garnett Wy
17	Sumner Av	Grand Bl to Division St
18	Lincoln St	Upper Cliff Av to Lower Cliff Av
19	Chandler St	8th Av to 9th Av
20	14th Av	Perry St to Ivory St
21	Sprague Av	SW corner of Sprague Av Bridge to Sprague Wy
22	Chestnut St	1st Av to Substitute
23	Bishop Ct	6th Av to Madison St
24	8th Av	D St to Substitute

City of Spokane Stair Locations



Spokane City Stairs

STREET	LOCATION	# STEPS	TYPE	RAIL	CONDITION	Comments	Recommendations
1. College Av.	Maple St. Br. to Ash.	54	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	Stairs are spalling off along the front edge, landings are cracked and spalling.	
2. Riverside Av.	NW. cor. of Riverside Av.Br. to SW. cor. of Maple St.Br.	40	Concrete	Pipe	Fair		
3. Cedar St.	Riverside Av. to Wilson Av.	125	Steel Grate	Pipe	New		
4. Maple St.	Main Av. to Water Av.	53	Steel Grate	Pipe	New	Stairs and support beams are beginning to rust. One section of railing is leaning.	
5. Spruce St.	Riverside Av. to Bennett Av. (Peaceful Valley)	102	Wood	Wood	Fair	Wood starting to rot & vandals tearing up - Open risers non standard	
6. Division St.	East side of bridge to the Centennial Trail.	25	Concrete	Pipe	Good		
7. Perry St.	20th Av to Overbluff	64	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	Stair treads broken - Tread= 12' wide x 8" rise - concrete soft & needs retaining walls to hold dirt back - handrails not to standards	
8. Altamont St	Jaques St. to Altamont Trail	24	Concrete	Pipe	Good		
9. Pittsburg St.	7th Av to 8th Av	24	Concrete	Pipe	Fair		
10. Pittsburg St.	Hartson Av to 7th Av	36	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	Stairs are spalling off along the front edge.	
11. North Center	B.N. Rail Road to Illinois Av.	15	Concrete	Pipe	Good		
12. 5th. Av	Sunset Bl to Chestnut St.	19	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	Stairs, landing and side wall are cracking.	
13. Hemlock St.	Sunset Bl. to 6th. Av.	10	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	Landing is scaling, side wall is spalled.	
14. West Dr.	Rosamond Av. to Lower Rosamond	15	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	Stairs closed. Retaining wall and traffic rail adjacent to and above the stairs was hit by a car. The traffic rail and base are rotated out and subsequently removed.	Replace traffic rail above.
15. Cochran St.	Sunset Bl to 8th. Av.	22	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	Railing was hit and subsequently removed. Stairs were closed, but citizens removed the chains.	
16. 9 th. Av.	NE. cor. of 9th.Av. Br. to Ben Garnett Wy.	38	Concrete	Pipe	Fair		
17. Sumner Av	Grand Bl. to Division	5	Concrete	Pipe	Good		
18. Lincoln St.	Upper Cliff Av. to Lower Cliff Av.	20	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	Treads = 10' wide x 8" Rise - non standard/odd treads. Some of the treads are cracking and spalling.	Level new stairs with landings top and bottom.
19. Chandler St.	8th. Av. to 9th Av.	25	Concrete	Pipe	Good		
20. 14th. Av.	Perry St. to Ivory St.	22	Concrete	Pipe	Poor	walk broken up & steep incline - both top & bottom stairs broken concrete - No hand rail - odd sized tread & risers. Settlement in the sidewalk has created trip hazard.	Replace walk & stairs
21. Sprague Av.	SW. cor. of Sprague Av. Br. to Sprague Wy west bound	34	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	Minor spalling on front edge of treads	
22. Chestnut St.	1st. Av. to Riverside Av	21	Steel Grate	Pipe	New	Stairs are in good condition but are not to current standards with open risers	
23. Bishop Ct.	6th. Av to Madison St.	20	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	4' stair width - Treads = 16" Wide x 7" Rise - One handrail - stops before right-of-way	Extend with new railing to 6th Ave sidewalk.
24. 8th.Av.	D St. to Substitute	20	Concrete	Pipe	Fair	Covered over with dirt/debris - are not used - does not connect anything anymore	Remove

CITY STAIRS

HAND SHOVEL ROUTE

STREET	LOCATION	# STEPS	TYPE	RAIL	CONDITION
1. College Av.	Maple St. Br. to Ash.	54	Concrete	Pipe	repair steps
2. Riverside Av.	NW. cor. of Riverside Av.Br. to SW. cor. of Maple St.Br.	40	Concrete	Pipe	Fair
3. Cedar St.	Riverside Av. to Wilson Av.	125	Steel Grate	Pipe	New
4. Maple St.	Main Av. to Water Av.	53	Steel Grate	Pipe	New
5. Spruce St.	Riverside Av. to Bennett Av. (Peaceful Valley)	102	Wood	Wood	Repainted
6. Division St.	East side of bridge to the Centennial Trail.	25	Concrete	Pipe	Good
7. Perry St.	20th Av to Overbluff (Shovel open side only)	64	Concrete	Pipe	repair steps
8. Altamont St	Jaques St. to Altamont Trail	24	Concrete	Pipe	Good
9. Pittsburg St.	7th Av to 8th Av (Shovel open side only)	24	Concrete	Pipe	Fair
10. Pittsburg St.	Hartson Av to 7th Av (Shovel open side only)	36	Concrete	Pipe	Fair
11. North Center	B.N. Rail Road to Illinois Av.	15	Concrete	Pipe	Good

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1. 5th. Av	Sunset Bl to Chestnut St.	19	Concrete	Pipe	Good
2. Hemlock St.	Sunset Bl. to 6th. Av.	10	Concrete	Pipe	repair wingwall
3. West Dr.	Rosamond Av. to Lower Rosamond	15	Concrete	Pipe	repair steps
4. Cochran St.	Sunset Bl to 8th. Av.	22	Concrete	Pipe	Fair
5. 1st Av.	SW. cor. of 1st. Av. Br. to west side Maple St. Br. Ramp	33	Concrete	Pipe	Good
6. 9 th. Av.	NE. cor. of 9th.Av. Br. to Ben Garnett Wy.	38	Concrete	Pipe	Fair
7. Sumner Av	Grand Bl. to Division	5	Concrete	Pipe	Good
8. Lincoln St.	Upper Cliff Av. to Lower Cliff Av.	20	Concrete	Pipe	Good
9. Chandler St.	8th. Av. to 9th Av.	25	Concrete	Pipe	wood handrail
10. 14th. Av.	Perry St. to Ivory St.	22	Concrete	Pipe	repair steps
11. Perry St.	20th Av to Overbluff (Close one side only)	64	Concrete	Pipe	repair steps
12. Pittsburg St.	7th Av to 8th Av (Close one side only)	24	Concrete	Pipe	Fair
13. Pittsburg St.	Hartson Av to 7th Av (Close one side only)	36	Concrete	Pipe	Fair
12. Sprague Av.	SW. cor. of Sprague Av. Br. to Sprague Wy west bound	34	Concrete	Pipe	Good

OTHER CITY STAIRS

Chestnut St.	1st. Av. to Riverside Av	21	Steel Grate	Pipe	New
Bishop Ct.	6th. Av to Madison St.	20	Concrete	Pipe	Fair
8th.Av.	D St. to Substitute	20	Concrete	Pipe	Fair

Plan Commission (PC) Liaison Report

Community Assembly Report, June 5, 2025

Filed by Mary M. Winkes, CA Liaison to the Plan Commission

Plan Commission, May 14, 2025, 2:00 p.m., in person and via Microsoft Teams

1. PlanSpokane 2046: Summary of Visioning Engagement

All the most current documents related to planning for the 2026 Comp Plan are here:

<https://my.spokanecity.org/planspokane/climate-planning/>

2. Complete Streets Ordinance and Request for Hearing

<https://static.spokanecity.org/documents/bcc/commissions/transportation-commission/presentations/2025/05/21/complete-streets-plan-ordinance.pdf>

Hearing, May 14, 2025, 4:00 p.m. in person and via Microsoft Teams

1. Six-Year Streets Capital Improvement Plan Update
2. ADU Updates (HB 1337) SMC 17C.300, 17H.010.040
3. Honorary Naming of Post Street Bridge

The hearing minutes follow:

Six Year Streets Capital Improvement Plan Update o Presentation provided by Kevin Picanco. o Questions asked and answered. o Discussion ensued. o No public testimony. Motion o I [Commissioner Greg Francis] move to recommend approval to City Council of the 2026- 2031 Six Year Streets Capital Improvement Plan. Seconded by Commissioner Amber Lenhart. o No further discussion. o Motion passes unanimously 6-0-0.

• ADU Updates (HB 1337) SMC 17C.300, 17H.010.040 o Presentation provided by staff member Tim Thompson. o Questions asked and answered. o Discussion ensued. o No public testimony. Motion o I [Commissioner Greg Francis] move to recommend approval to City Council for the Accessory Dwelling Unit updates to SMC 17C.300 and 17H.010.040 to comply with House Bill 1337. Seconded by Commissioner Tim Williams. o No additional discussion. o Motion passes unanimously 6-0-0.

• Honorary Naming of Post Street Bridge o Presentation provided by staff member Tim Thompson. o Questions asked and answered. o Discussion ensued. o Public Testimony: Rick Hastings Motion o I [Commissioner Greg Francis] move to recommend approval to City Council to add the honorary name of Friends of the Falls Memorial Bridge to the Post Street Bridge. Seconded by Commissioner David Edwards. o Discussion ensued regarding the term memorial

Commissioner Tim Williams proposed that we [Plan Commission] amend the proposal to simply be Friends of the Falls. Seconded by Commissioner David Edwards. Commissioner Francis asked for clarification on the amendment to state Friends of the Falls Bridge? Commissioner Williams agreed that the amendment would state: Friends of the Falls Bridge not simply Friends of the Falls. o Voice vote on

the amendment: Vote passes unanimously 6-0-0. o Some additional discussion ensued. o Commissioner Greg Francis, in honor of Michael Baker, called to question. o Voice vote on the call to question passed unanimously 6-0-0. o VP Ryan Patterson stated (in clarification) to vote as amended to support the honorary naming of the Post Street Bridge to the Friends of the Falls Bridge. o Motion passes unanimously 6-0-0, as amended.

Plan Commission, May 28, 2025, 2:00 p.m., in person and via Microsoft Teams

1. PlanSpokane 2046: Growth Alternatives Goals

<https://static.spokanecity.org/documents/bcc/commissions/plan-commission/agendas/2025/05/plan-agenda-2025-05-28.pdf>

Discussion but no decisions were made.

For Plan Commission complete information, including agendas, minutes and other documents see:

<https://my.spokanecity.org/bcc/commissions/plan-commission/>

For complete information regarding the city's progress toward the development of the 2026 Comprehensive Plan see:

<https://my.spokanecity.org/planspokane/about/>

The current comprehensive plan can be found at:

<https://my.spokanecity.org/shapingspokane/comprehensive-plan/>

Transportation Commission (TC) Report May 2025 by Cliff Winger <cwinger@spokanecity.org>

The short link to Transportation Commission's web page is here: <<https://easyurl.net/SPK.TranCom>>

Note: Contact Cliff Winger at email above for any questions, suggestions, comments about the City of Spokane Transportation. These notes for the CA will attempt to give brief descriptions and links to information in the TC agenda and project pages.

TC May Agenda <<https://static.spokanecity.org/documents/bcc/commissions/transportation-commission/agendas/2025/05/transport-agenda-2025-05-21.pdf>>

STA's Transit Development Plan is a six year plan required by state law

See Page 10 - 20 of TC May Agenda package. Funding is dependent on renewed sales tax in 2028 by voters

- A High Performance Transit (HPT) route 33 will support the Wellesley corridor (15 min service)
- Draft six year plan published May 22 on STA web page <<https://spokanetransit.com/tdp>> for 2025-31- contact: marredondo@spokanetransit.com for questions.

Citizens Transportation Advisory Board Annual Report for 2024

Street conditions see <<https://my.spokanecity.org/projects/capital-programs/streets-dashboard/pavement-rating/>>

Maps of street work completed and in progress are on pages 27 – 29 of the TC May Agenda.

The TC commissioners will do “homework” to determine by later in summer which projects to approve for the street surface repair program. Costs are mostly equal for each Council District. Crack seal, chip sealing and grind and overlay are the main maintenance procedure. Contact your commissioner!

Vehicle license tags pay for local access (*neighborhood*) street maintenance. SPD's Sgt. Teresa Fuller told the press a month ago that having car license tags that are expired under 60 days can cost you a fine of \$145. If they are expired past 60 days, the fine jumps to \$237. Later in this TC meeting Director

Garcia of Parking Enforcement stated cars over 70 days without current tags could also be impounded.

Project list approved by the TC by summer - engineering design late 2025 then out for bidding; keep each CC district near equal balance in costs.

Information: <<https://my.spokanecity.org/streets/maintenance/transportation-benefit-district/>>

Contacts: [ammartin@spokanecity.org] and [ceharris@spokanecity.org]

Parking Services Plans and Programs Q1/Q2 2025 city wide Contact: Director Luis Garcia, [lgarcia@spokanecity.org] <<https://my.spokanecity.org/parking/>>

Most parking revenue comes from meters **not** parking tickets

Improving and adding pay stations (meters); Once vehicle leaves meter zeros out. Four units have license plate recognition which collects data for decisions as well as enforcement. The downtown entertainment zone park can use a mobile app which lets you stay more than two hours in a two-hour spot. First 2 hours \$1.70/hour, each additional hour goes up 50 cents/hour (e.g. fifth hour is \$3.20 or \$11.50 for the total of five hours to park in the two hour parking spot)

Downtown employees do not qualify for parking permits, only Downtown residents

Complete Streets Ordinance (See pages 39-48 of the TC May Agenda) The TC Recommendation was to amend the exception in 17H.020.055(A)(3) (p45 of May Agenda) to limit exceptions. **This ordinance will go before the Plan Commission at the four o'clock hearing on Wednesday June 11.** Public comments can be sent to the Plan Commission. [plancommission@spokanecity.org] You can also contact Mary Winkes, the CA Liaison to the PC at [mwinkes@spokanecity.org] The draft from that hearing will go before City Council's PIES (Public Infrastructure, Environment, & Sustainability) then to the Council for a final vote.