



Neighborhood NEWS YOU CAN USE

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- **Traffic Calming** | Annie Deasy | adeasy@spokanecity.org
 - Cycle 10 and Cycle 11 Traffic Calming projects will be constructed this season. Cycle 12 Traffic Calming projects will be constructed in 2025.
 - **Mobile Speed Feedback Trailer applications** are due by April 8.
 - **Asphalt Art applications** are being accepted for Neighborhood Intersections.
 - **“Neighbors Drive 25”** yard signs are available at [C.O.P.S. Shops](#).
 - **Speeding complaints**, please call the Spokane Police Traffic Line at 509.625.4150.
- **Clean-up** | Amber Groe | agroe@spokanecity.org
 - **Disposal passes** are available:
 - Online: [Clean-up Program webpage](#) or
 - The first floor of City Hall at the MySpokane desk or [C.O.P.S. Shops](#).
 - **Beautification Project** applications are open and accepted through October 19.
- **Community Engagement Grant** | Gabby Ryan | gryan@spokanecity.org
 - **Applications** are due by June 14.

Neighborhood Updates

- Check out the latest **Neighborhood News You Can Use** video.
- **Neighborhood Calendar:** Check the calendar and your neighborhood council’s webpage for upcoming meetings and events.
 - Many neighborhood councils sponsor or assist with Farmers Markets, Movie Nights, Concerts and other special events. To include your neighborhood event in our Neighborhood Updates, please email your staff liaison and Annie, adeasy@spokanecity.org.
- **Altamont Loop Traffic Study Results** There will be a short presentation to share the revisions that were requested during last month’s meeting to share the Altamont Loop Traffic Study Results. This will be virtual only. The presentation will begin at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16, as part of the regularly scheduled Lincoln Heights neighborhood council meeting. This meeting will only be held virtually. Neighbors will have an opportunity to weigh in on their preferred solution. Visit [Neighborhood Calendar for meeting link](#).





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The list of **Cycle 12 Traffic Calming** projects (Resolution 2024-0028) has gone before the City Council and is approved. The selected projects are listed below and will be constructed in 2025. The list per District includes:

District 1

- Hillyard: Haven and Rockwell will have the crosswalks repainted. \$408,000.
- Minnehaha: Freya from Euclid to Bridgeport will be restriped, curb buffer and turn lane adjustments. \$376,000.

District 2

- Cliff/Cannon: Walnut, Maple and Cedar streets from 11th to 12th avenues will be restriped. \$548,000.
- Cliff/Cannon and Rockwood: 13th and Grand will have a rapid flashing beacon installed. \$150,000.
- Rockwood: Rockwood and Sumner intersection will have measures to improve visibility at the intersection including curb extensions, shared use path, and curb ramps at all intersections. \$693,000.

District 3

- Browne's Addition: Second and Elm will have curb extensions installed at corners. \$232,000.
- Five Mile Prairie: Crosswalk at Strong Rd. from Elm to Cedar (Oak). \$136,000.
- West Central: Boone at Nettleton and Lindeke will have curb bump outs and stop bars on northwest Nettleton. \$565,000.

City Updates

- [Sign up for the City's Community Update](#)
- [Sign up for the Spokane Public Library Newsletter](#)
- Getting around, warmer weather means [construction](#) and [pothole](#) season.



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- [Report potholes](#) at myspokane311.org, through our mobile app My Spokane 311, or by calling 3-1-1 (509.755.2489).
- Crews began Phase 2 of the Thor-Freya corridor project on Monday, March 25, to rebuild two intersections at Thor and 2nd Ave. and Freya and 2nd Ave. in East Central Spokane. Detours are expected to be in place for approximately 10 weeks. During construction, remember to slow down, follow detours and allow for extra time to get to your destination. Stay up to date on construction projects in your neighborhood by visiting our website and clicking on the construction icon. For information on the **Thor-Freya project** visit: [Thor-Freya 2nd/3rd Intersections](#). For **obstruction notices and detours** visit: [weekly obstruction notice](#).
- Looking for something fun to do?
 - [2024 Summer concerts](#) at Riverfront Park's Pavilion are on sale.
 - Golf courses are open! To reserve a tee time, visit: <https://my.spokanecity.org/golf/online-tee-time/>.
 - Check out the City's Parks and Recreation Department's [Spring and Summer Activity Guide!](#)
- **Water Wise** Workshops (FREE) teach sustainable landscaping principles to ensure the future availability of one of our most precious resources. Water Wise Workshops are a collaboration with the City of Spokane Water Department and held *every Wednesday* in April at 6 p.m. at Shadle Park Library (with the exception the last workshop on April 24 that will be held at the Liberty Park Library):
 - April 3: All About Composting
 - April 10: Integrated Pest Management
 - April 17: Pesticide & Herbicide Application
 - April 24: Native Plants, Keystone Species & More (*Liberty Park Library*)
- Clean Week 2024 is just around the corner! From April 29 to May 3, we're calling on the community to join us to brighten our city center. Throughout the week, there are various volunteer opportunities, both downtown and nearby. For more information and to register to volunteer: <https://downtownspokane.org/event/spring-clean-week-2024/>.
- The 50th Anniversary of Expo '74 is almost here! The City has been working hard on a number of projects to help make the celebration extra special, including revitalization of several iconic Expo





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structures and completion of the Great Gorge Loop Trail. A ribbon cutting is planned as part of the [Expo '74's 50th anniversary](http://www.expo50spokane.com) celebration in May. Learn more at: www.expo50spokane.com.

- Bloomsday is Spokane's iconic annual 12K race, organized by the Lilac Bloomsday Association, attracts thousands each May. Since 1977, it's been a beloved tradition fostering health, fitness, and community spirit. The challenging course winds through scenic streets, showcasing landmarks and providing a unique experience for runners of all levels. More about Bloomsday can be found here: <https://bloomsdayrun.org/>.
- In partnership with Spokane Public Library, [Thrive International](#) will develop at least 45 units of affordable housing on a 1.62-acre lot at 6980 N. Nevada St., a vacant property that the Library has owned since the 1990s. In addition to housing, the development will feature public event and learning space operated by the Library as well as a playground, greenhouse, and a 24/7 Library kiosk. Half of the units of the affordable housing will be reserved for refugees, with the other half open to the general population. This mixed-income model aims to foster greater understanding between new Americans and long-term residents.
- District-wide Police and Fire recruitment community meetings will be held:
 - District 3: West Central Community Center, 1603 N. Belt St. on Tuesday, April 9, from 5:30 to 7 p.m.
 - District 1: Northeast Community Center 4001 N. Cook St. on Thursday, April 11, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.
 - District 2: Liberty Park Library, 402 S. Pittsburgh St. on Tuesday, April 16, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.
 - District-wide virtual meeting on Saturday, April 24, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Visit [Neighborhood Calendar](#) for meeting link.
- Mayor Lisa Brown is proposing two strategic investment plans using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and opioid abatement funds. The two proposals include recommendations that invest in health, human services, and accessibility to create an overall vibrant, clean, and safe community. Learn more on our [website](#).
- The City of Spokane has reached an agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation and Washington State Department of Commerce to designate the Division/Browne corridor from Sprague to I-90 as a priority encampment zone under the state's Right-of-Way Encampment Resolution Program (ROW ERP). Learn more on our [website](#).



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- **Boards & Commissions:** Give back to the Spokane community by joining a volunteer board, commission, or committee! The City is accepting applications for three positions on the West Quadrant Tax Increment Finance (TIF) Advisory Committee — one resident of the West Central Neighborhood, one resident of the Riverside Neighborhood, and one at-large position—through April 15, 2024. Interested individuals in serving on the West Quadrant TIF Advisory Committee, or other boards and commissions, should fill out the City’s boards and commission [application form](#) and to submit it the Mayor’s office at mayor@spokanecity.org. Or you may also mail applications or turn them in at the MySpokane Customer Service counter at City Hall; 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd., Spokane, WA 99201.

Upcoming Community Assembly (CA) Meetings

Links to the virtual meetings listed below can all be found on the [Neighborhood Calendar](#).

- **Community Assembly (CA):** Meets the first Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m., in-person at The Hive, Events A, 2904 E. Sprague Ave.
- **CA Admin Committee:** Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 4:30 p.m., hybrid (in-person at Spokane Central Library, Conference Room A, 906 W. Main Ave. or Zoom).
- **CA Budget Committee:** Meets the fourth Monday of the month at 7 p.m., hybrid (in-person at West Central Community Center, Don Kelly Room, 1603 N Belt St. or Zoom).
- **CA Building Stronger Neighborhoods (BSN) Committee:** Meets on the third Saturday of the month at 9:00 a.m. hybrid (in-person at the Hive, Events C, 2904 E. Sprague Ave. or Zoom)
- **CA Communications Committee:** Meets the second Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. at the Hive, 2904 E. Sprague Ave.
- **CA Community Development Committee:** *Does not have a regular meeting date and time, so please check the calendar for meeting information.*
- **CA Land Use Committee:** Meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. hybrid (in-person West Central Community Center, Newton Room, 1603 N Belt St., or Zoom).



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- **CA Liaison Committee:** Meets the second Tuesday of the month at 2 p.m., hybrid (in-person South Hill Library, 3424 S. Perry St. or Zoom).
- **CA Pedestrian, Traffic and Transportation (PeTT) Committee:** Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. virtually on Zoom.
- **CA Safety Committee:** Meets in-person on the last Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Hive, 2904 E. Sprague Ave.

Contact Us

Office of Neighborhood Services Director:

- Patrick Striker, pstriker@spokanecity.org, 509.625.6263
 - Staff representative to Neighborhood Safety committee.
 - ONS Liaison to: Comstock, Manito-Cannon Hill, and Nevada-Heights.

Community Engagement Programs Manager:

- Pollyanne Birge, pbirge@spokanecity.org, 509.625.6147
 - ONS Liaison to: Audubon-Downriver, Five Mile Prairie, Peaceful Valley, Riverside, and North Indian Trail.

Community Programs Coordinators:

- Annie Deasy, adeasy@spokanecity.org, 509.625.6343
 - Traffic Calming program, staff representative to Communications, Community Development (CA/CD), Liaison, and Pedestrian, Traffic and Transportation (PeTT) committees.
 - ONS liaison to: Chief Garry Park, East Central, Lincoln Heights, Logan, Rockwood, Southgate, and West Hills.



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- Amber Groe, agroe@spokanecity.org, 509.625.6156
 - Neighborhood Clean-up program, staff representative to Land Use, Building Stronger Neighborhoods (BSN) and City Council/Neighborhood Town Halls.
 - ONS liaison to: Bemiss, Cliff-Cannon, Five Mile Prairie, Hillyard, Latah-Hangman, Minnehaha, Shiloh Hills, West Central, and Whitman.
- Gabby Ryan, gryan@spokanecity.org, 509.625.6858
 - Community Engagement Grant program, staff representative to Admin, Budget and Community Assembly/City Council committees.
 - ONS liaison to: Balboa-South Indian Trail, Browne’s Addition, Emerson-Garfield, Grandview-Thorpe, North Hill, and Northwest.