

Office of Neighborhood Services Newsletter

October 2023

ONS Program Updates

- [Neighborhood News You Can Use](#) video.
- [Traffic Calming](#) | Annie Deasy | adeasy@spokanecity.org
 - **Asphalt Art** applications are open for Neighborhood Councils! Learn more and apply here: <https://spokanearts.org/programs/asphalt-art/>.
 - The [2023 Mobile Speed Feedback](#) trailers, reminding Spokane motorists of the posted speed and if they are speeding, are on the last deployment and will go back to storage on Oct. 13. *Note: the trailers have been experiencing vandalism and the ONS fleet has three trailers available to deploy, so the previously approved locations have been reduced.*
 - “**Neighbors Drive 25**” yard signs are available at C.O.P.S. Shops.
 - **Speeding complaints**; please call the Traffic Line at 509.625.4150.
- [Clean-Up](#) | Amber Groe | agroe@spokanecity.org
 - If your council is interested in hosting a small volunteer-led clean up event in a park or public area. Reach out to Amber Groe for grabbers, buckets, etc.
- [Community Engagement Grant](#) | Gabby Ryan | gryan@spokanecity.org
 - Last day to place Reprographic (print) orders is Friday, Oct. 13., for the 2023 Community Engagement Grant.
- [Spokane Neighborhood Summit](#)
 - [Register](#) for the Spokane Neighborhood Summit on Saturday, Nov. 4! The Summit is a FREE half-day conference for Spokane neighborhood council members or aspiring members to learn what other councils are doing around leadership and neighborhood practices.
 - Spaces are limited for the [Spokane Works Tours](#) on Friday, Nov. 3, so sign-up today!
 - Riverside Park Water Reclamation Facility, 10 a.m.
 - Upriver Dam, 1 p.m.

Neighborhood Events

- **Neighborhood Ordinance Forum** to provide an opportunity for neighborhoods to ask questions and provide feedback regarding the proposed neighborhood council/community assembly ordinance. *All forums held 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.*
 - District 1, Monday, Oct. 16, Hillyard Library, 4110 N. Cook St.
 - District 3, Tuesday, Oct. 17, West Central Community Center, Newton Lounge, 1603 N. Belt St.
 - District 2, Thursday, Oct. 19, Liberty Park Library, 402 S. Pittsburg St.
- Volunteer Clean-Up Days consisting of graffiti cleanup and litter pickup organized by ONS scheduled in October.
 - **Eastside along Selected Bridge Overpasses**



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- Friday, Oct. 6, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (meet at Liberty Park library)
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/710681747237?aff=oddtcreator>
- **Downtown TBD**
 - Friday, Oct. 13, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (meet at Grocery Outlet Parking lot)
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/710687203557?aff=oddtcreator>
- **SpookWalk** in Browne's Addition with fun activities like drinking cider, singing pumpkin carols, and hearing ghost stories while touring historical homes. SpookWalk is \$25 and will be Friday through Sunday, Oct. 27 -29, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. or 7 – 9 p.m.
- Farmers & Night Markets in the City of Spokane:
 - **Spokane Farmers Market**
 - When: Weekly on Wednesday, through October, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.
 - Where: 2195 W. Second Ave.
 - **Perry Street Thursday Market**
 - When: Weekly on Thursday, through October, 3-7 p.m.
 - Where: 1000 S. Perry St.
 - **Spokane Farmers Market**
 - When: Weekly on Saturday, through October, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m.
 - Where: 2195 W. Second Ave.

City Updates

- [Sign up for the City's Community Update](#)
- [Sign up for the Spokane Public Library Newsletter](#)
- The City of Spokane is piloting a new parking payment option in two areas that will have a mobile-payment-only option via a Parking Box. The pilot project will last until the end of 2023. The on-street locations will be 400 S. Washington St., including 13 spaces on the east side of E.L. Hunter Field House, and 300 S. Washington St., four spaces on the east side of Spokane Subaru. Read more about it on the [City website](#).
- Help the City's Development Services Center (DSC) Team help you! As a way of maximizing staff time to focus on plan reviews to reduce project timelines this fall, the DSC at City Hall will be closed to walk-ins on Wednesdays from 8 - 11 a.m. through at least the end of the year. Calls will go to voicemail during those times. Visit the [City website](#) for more information.
- The City of Spokane has been selected to participate in the inaugural Community Connectors program of Smart Growth America that will offer technical support and a grant of up to \$130,000 to assist in addressing the impacts of Interstate 90 through the East Central neighborhood. Read more on the [City website](#).
- The [C.A.R.E.S.](#) Community Assistance Response team is a great resource that connects residents with social service needs to community resources, often reducing Fire Department and EMS responses needed.
- **Construction season is still upon us.** Allow more time and patience. Slow down and stay alert. Follow designated detours and obey speed limits. [Report potholes](#) at mypsokane311.org, through



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our mobile app My Spokane 311, or by calling 3-1-1 (509.755.2489). For obstruction notices and detours, read the [weekly obstruction notice](#). The [Maple Street Bridge project](#) is progressing expected to be completed in November.

- As the City prepares to celebrate the **50th anniversary of Expo '74**, [we'd love to hear from the community](#).
- Curbside [yard and food waste service](#) runs through November. Residents are reminded that carts should be placed at the curb by 7 a.m. and cart lids must be closed completely.
- **Boards & Commissions:** Give back to the Spokane community by joining a volunteer board, commission, or committee! Submit completed [applications](#) to the Mayor's Office by emailing them to mayor@spokanecity.org unless otherwise noted below. 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.
- Looking for something fun to do? The City's Parks and Recreation Department has many great options:
 - [Fall Activity Guide](#) has adventures to keep you active this fall!
 - Golf courses are still open! [Click the link](#) for tee times, rates and other information.
 - 2023 Greater Spokane Parks Challenge is taking place through Oct. 31. [Sign up and more information.](#)

Upcoming Community Assembly (CA) Meetings

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

- Community Assembly (CA): Thursday, Nov. 5, 5:30 p.m., in-person at The Hive, Events A, 2904 E. Sprague Ave.
- CA Admin Committee: Tuesday, Oct. 24, 4:30 p.m., hybrid (in-person at City Hall 1st Floor, Tribal Conference Room or Zoom)
- CA Budget Committee: Monday, Oct. 23, 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: Saturday, Oct. 21, 9 a.m., hybrid (in-person Finch Arboretum Woodland Center, S F St, Spokane, WA 99224 or Zoom)
- CA Land Use Committee: Wednesday, Nov. 4, 6 p.m. (in-person Shadle Park Library, 2111 W Wellesley Ave, or Zoom)
- CA Liaison Committee: Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2 p.m., hybrid (in-person Liberty Park Library, 402 S. Pittsburg or Zoom)
- CA Pedestrian, Traffic and Transportation (PeTT) Committee: Tuesday, Oct. 24, 6 p.m., virtual

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Community Programs Coordinators:

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 - ONS liaison to: Cliff-Cannon, East Central, Lincoln Heights, Logan, Riverside, Rockwood, and West Hills.
- 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, Chief Garry Park, Emerson-Garfield, Grandview-Thorpe, Northwest, and West Central.
- 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, Browne's Addition, Five Mile Prairie, Hillyard, Latah-Hangman, Minnehaha, North Hill, Shiloh Hills, and Whitman.

