



CITY OF SPOKANE

WORKING WITH
CITY GOVERNEMENT
CITY COUNCIL, AND
COMMUNITY
CENTERS



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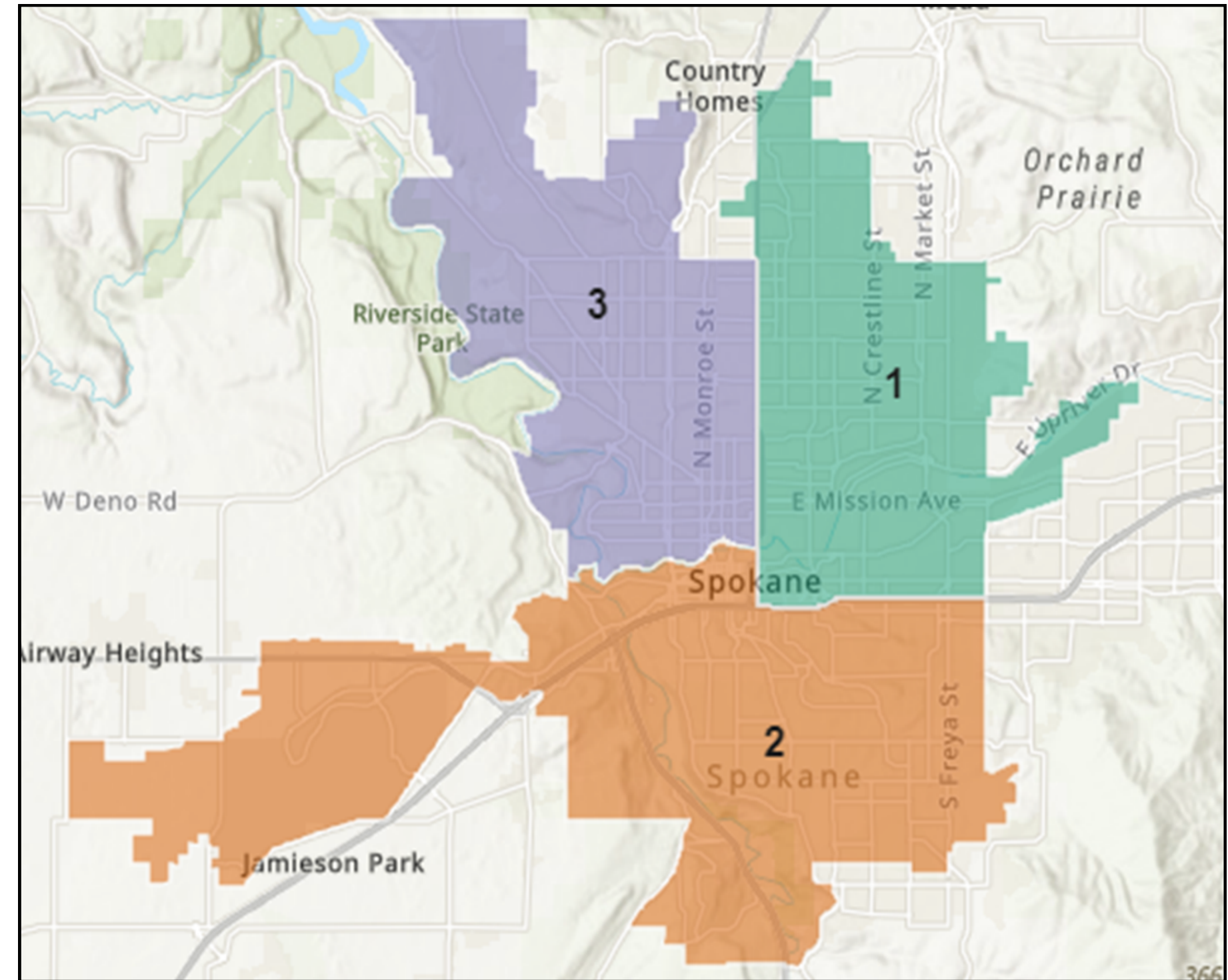
Mayor is Executive authority - responsible for operations and implementing policy

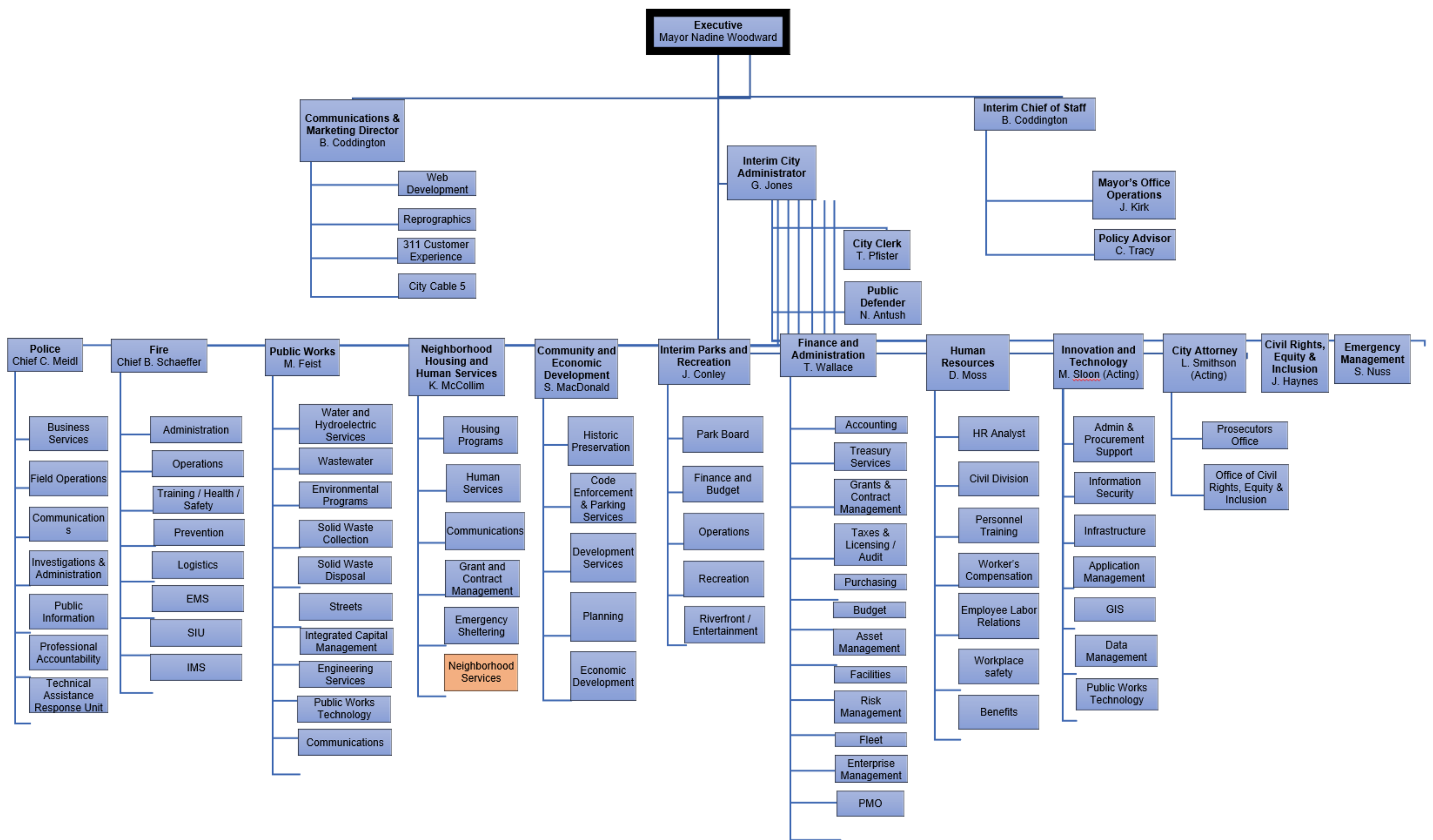


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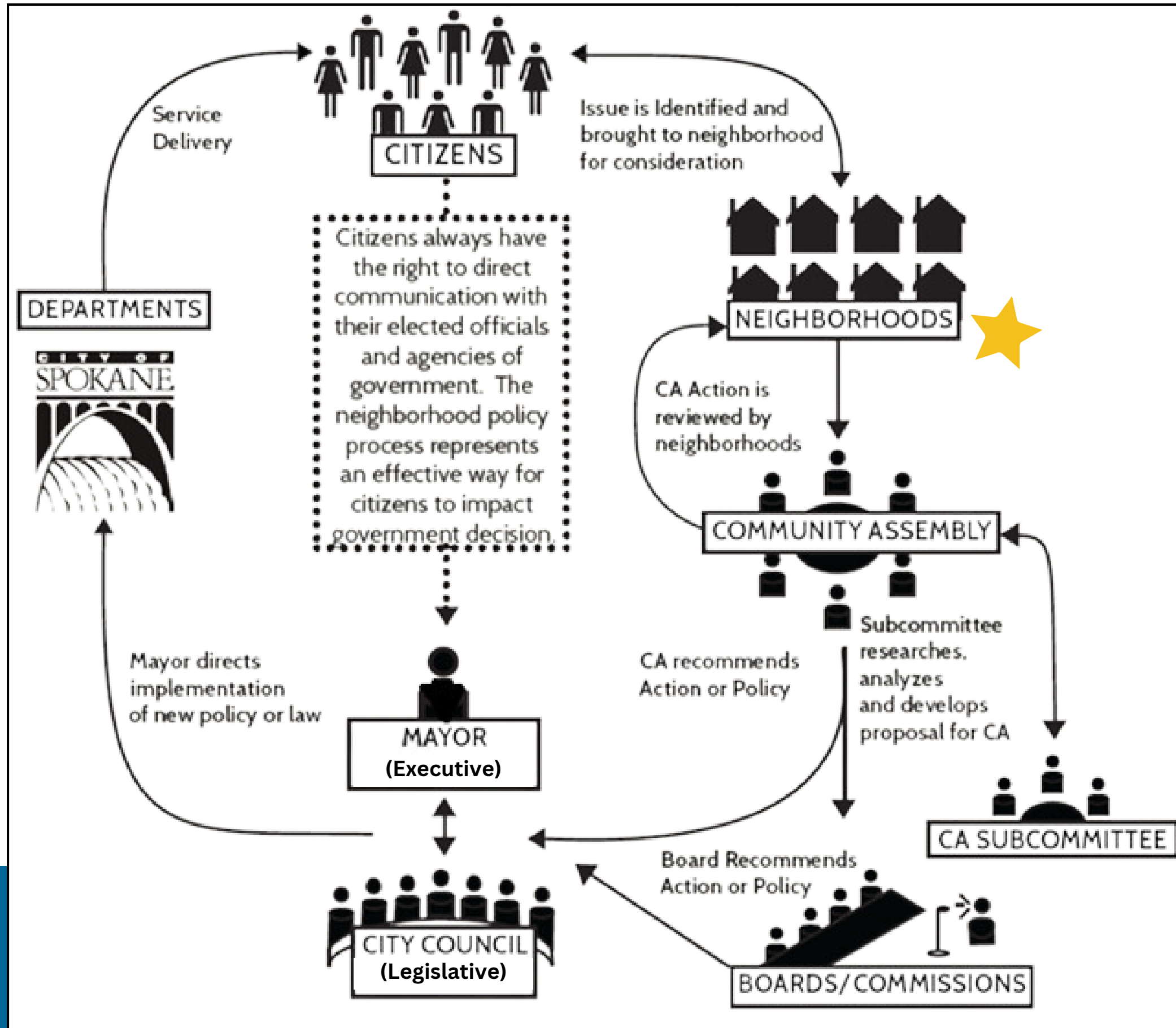
City Council is Legislative authority - responsible for financial oversight and law/policy making.

- Divided into **3 districts with two council members per district**; a Council President is elected city-wide
- **Council President does not supervise other Council members** (just Council staff outside the legislative aides)
- Each councilmember has a **legislative aide/assistant who helps** (scheduling, correspondence, research)





NEIGHBORHOOD POLICY PROCESS

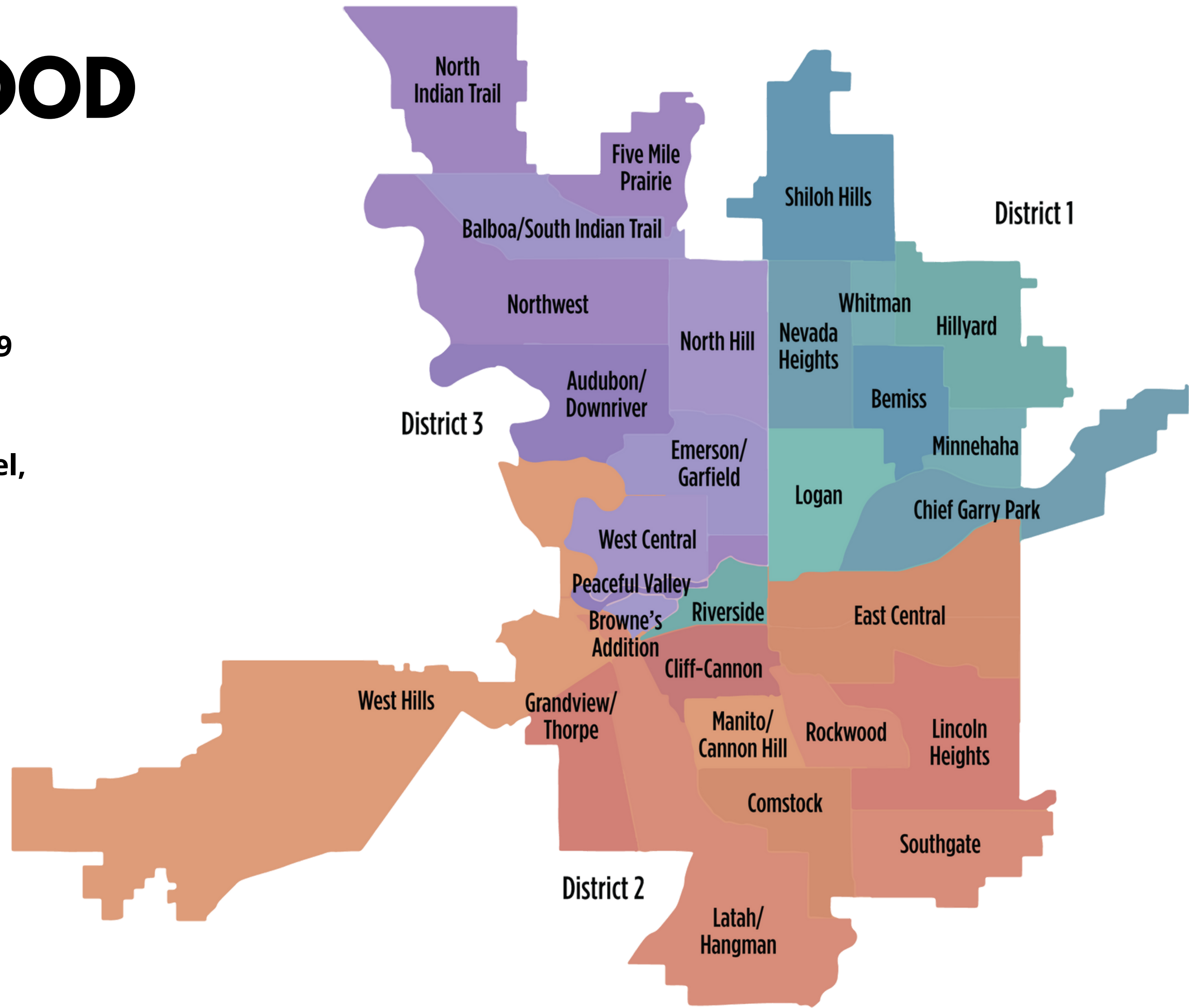


Community Assembly (CA) Sub-Committees

- Administration
- Budget
- Building Stronger Neighborhoods
- Land Use
- Liaison
- Pedestrian, Transportation, and Traffic
- Neighborhood Safety

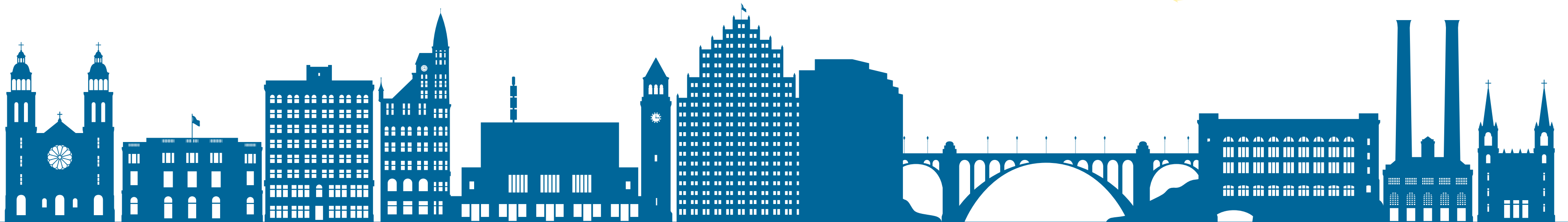
NEIGHBORHOOD SYSTEM

- Spokane is currently divided into **29 neighborhoods**.
- Each with their own **distinctive feel, wants and needs**



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

- Each neighborhood has a council made up of **people who live in, own property in, or operate a business** within the neighborhood boundaries.
- **The council's role is:**
 - To advise the city on policy as relates to their neighborhood
 - Traffic calming, developments, police presence, etc.
 - Create a sense of community for its members
 - Educate its members
 - Who to talk about an issue, how various city systems work
 - Miscellaneous
 - Historic district designation, signage, etc.




NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

- Get Involved!
- All of the information is on the Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) webpage.

 Neigh.Svcs@SpokaneCity.org

 www.my.spokanecity.org/neighborhoods

 Office of Neighborhood Services
808 W Spokane Falls Blvd.
Spokane, WA 99201

Emerson/Garfield

Chair: E.J. Iannelli, chair@emersongarfield.org

Vice Chair: Gene Brake, vice-chair@emersongarfield.org

Secretary: Katie Schneider, secretary@emersongarfield.org

Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month – 6 p.m., Corbin Senior Center, 827 W Cleveland Ave., see [Neighborhood Calendar](#) for details. *No meeting in January. Potluck held in August in lieu of meeting.*

Community Assembly Representative: Eileen Kazura, ca@emersongarfield.org

Community Assembly Representative Alternate: Vacant

Staff Liaison: Gabby Ryan, gryan@spokanecity.org, 509.625.6858

Clean Up Coordinator: Karl Boldt, karl.boldt@gmail.com, 509.868.9553

City Council District: District 3

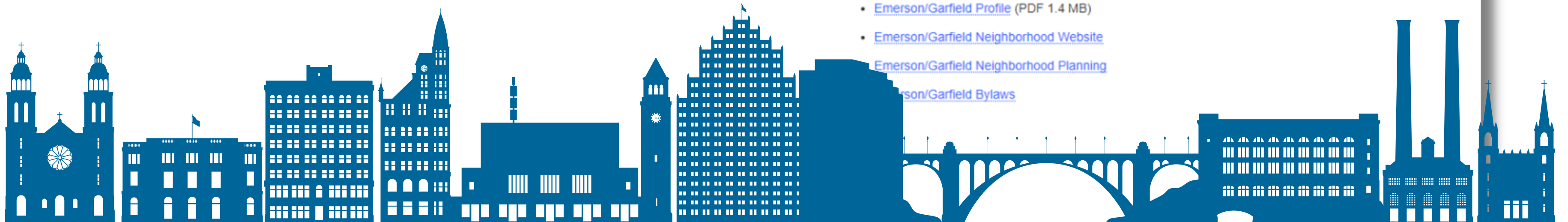
City Council Representatives: Zack Zappone, zzappone@spokanecity.org; Karen Stratton, kstratton@spokanecity.org

Code Enforcement Officer: Bryan Schertz, bschertz@spokanecity.org, 509.625.6857

Neighborhood Parks: Corbin Park, Emerson Park

Neighborhood Links:

- [Emerson/Garfield Demographic Snapshot](#) (PDF 533 KB)
- [Emerson/Garfield Profile](#) (PDF 1.4 MB)
- [Emerson/Garfield Neighborhood Website](#)
- [Emerson/Garfield Neighborhood Planning](#)
- [Emerson/Garfield Bylaws](#)



COMMUNITY ASSEMBLY

- Each **neighborhood** gets a **representative**
- This body is designed to **focus on city-wide issues**, as opposed to specific neighborhood-centric issues
- **Created to act as policy advisors** based on what people city-wide think



COMMUNITY & SENIOR CENTERS

- Spokane is home to 10+ community and senior centers.
- Each center provides education and resources to the public.



Community Centers:

- East Central Community Center (MLK Center)
- Northeast Youth Center
- Southwest Spokane Community Center
- Southside Community Center
- West Central Community Center
- American Indian Community Center



Senior Centers:

- Corbin Senior Activity Center
- Hillyard Senior Center
- Mid-City Concerns Senior Center
- Project Joy
- Sinto Senior Center



www.my.spokanecity.org/recreation/facilities



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