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Minutes

NOTICE**NO MEETING MINUTES OF SPOKANE CITY COUNCIL**

Tuesday, January 22, 2013

The Tuesday, January 22, 2013 regularly scheduled City Council meeting was not held. Therefore, no meeting minutes will be published for this date. (Note: No meeting was scheduled to be held on Monday, January 21, 2013 due to the observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.)

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 5, 2012

Attendees: Council President Stuckart, Council Member Allen, Council Chair McLaughlin, Council Member Fagan, Council Member Waldref, Council Member Snyder, Council Member Salvatori, SPD Chief Straub, SPD Major Meidl, SPD Major Scalise, SPD Capt. Arleth, SPD Capt. Carl, SPD Capt. Richards, PIO DeRuwe, Tim Burns OPO, Carly Cortright, Tim Connors—Center for Justice, Sheryl McGrath, Lenore Stark, Rae-Lynn Conger, Jennifer Westfall, Carly Cortright, Members of the Media, Carla Stamatoplos-SPD Secretary.

Council Chair McLaughlin opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Police Reform – Resolution 2012-0017 - Update

Chair Nancy McLaughlin advised that the PSC was last updated on police reform in June.

1. Publish all 2009-2011 I.A. redacted reports by March 1, 2012.

Chief Straub reported that about 1/3 of 2010 reports have been completed and redaction is continuing. We are also working on 2009 reports. All of 2011 has been completed and 2012 reports are being entered as they are settled. I.A. has a new software program and we are looking at new redaction software for Police Records. Council questions and discussion followed.

2. Add commendations section to OPO website and request all official commendations be presented at weekly city council meetings.

Chief Straub advised that this process will continue. Mr. Burns advised that the commendations are not currently on the OPO website. Chief Straub advised that they are on the SPD website and recommended that they should also be added to the OPO website. Mr. Burns agreed and advised that commendations would be added to the OPO website as well. Council questions and discussion followed.

3. Community Involvement

Chair McLaughlin advised that she has heard good things about Command Staff attending neighborhood meetings and asked if that will continue. Chief Straub reported that the command staff will continue to attend and will increase attendance at community meetings and neighborhood councils. He advised that SPD has gained good information on specific problems or priorities in neighborhoods by attending the meetings. The Chief added that SPD has received many favorable comments from citizens for our attendance at community meetings. Council questions and discussion followed.

4. Revise Use of Force Policy

Mr. Burns advised that this issue has been tabled pending distribution of the Use of Force commission report. Mr. Burns advised that he does see value from the Use of Force Commission and hopes that they will agree to his recommendation that the Office of the Ombudsman could use an oversight committee or board. His understanding was that the report was going to be issued at the end of September. Council questions and discussion followed.

Chief Straub reported that instead of waiting for committee recommendations, SPD has already adopted some of Consultant Missy O 'Linn's (Member of the Use of Force Committee) recommendations regarding use of force. We are already presenting some of these recommendations at our current in-service training. We have adopted their paradigm for decision making for use of any force, particularly firearms, and we have adopted the paradigm of recent court decisions and the influence they have. We have also incorporated her recommendations on baton training. The Use of Force Committee has asked SPD for additional information, which we sent to them, and they are in the process of reviewing that information now. Chief Straub advised that SPD is light years ahead of many agencies in the U.S. in our policy and procedures manuals. We are in very good standing when you compare our use of force standards to many other agencies across the country. Council questions and discussion followed.

5. Create a display of force policy to document weapons displayed by officers.

Officers currently do not document when weapons are drawn. SPD is already working on this issue; please see use of force topic above.

6. Institute a Body Camera program.

Chief Straub reported that SPD has been testing several models and narrowed the choice to two. Testing will be finished in less than two months. SPD is very supportive of body cameras. However, there are many issues to consider such as; are the cameras a subject of mandatory bargaining with Captain and Lieutenants Association and the Guild, we are working with the prosecutor's office on evidentiary issues; as well as city legal on records retention and redaction and how the information would be released to the public; and for trials or civil litigation. Also, the State of Washington requires two-party consent for recording conversations. Major Scalise advised that current RCW language allows an exception for audio for two-party consent but it is specific to dash cams. As long as we advise them as soon as practicable that they are being recorded, we are within the spirit of the law. It would be useful to have the RCW language include body and Taser cameras. Chief Straub advised that all of these conversations are ongoing.

Chief Straub advised that body cameras are a growing trend in the law enforcement profession. SPD is looking at models being used across the country. He advised that body cameras will malfunction, they will break and there are issues of storage of data. There will be a whole series of costs associated with body cameras such as sustainability, maintenance, and replacement. Body cameras are developing technology and companies will keep improving them. Some major agencies across the country are waiting to purchase until they see some of the issues that will occur with use of body cameras and how they are worked out. The Chief advised neither the International Association of Police Chiefs nor the Police Executive Research Forum has opined yet, but we are having conversations with them as well. SPD is potentially looking at 2013 for a very limited roll out with some funds. The Chief added that SPD needs a year to experiment to see what the realities are of body cameras, before we go to department wide implementation. The Chief advised that the budget for cameras will be a 2014 decision. Council questions and discussion followed.

Chief Straub advised that he would like to schedule the Council and Mr. Burns for a demonstration in the second week of December, 2012. SPD will also be scheduling the media for a demonstration after the first of the year.

7. SPD adopt as policy COPS Standards and Guidelines for Internal Affairs.

Tim Burns had provided the I.A. lieutenant with a manual regarding standards and guidelines recommended by COPS. Lt. Cummings recently returned from some very good training. Mr. Burns advised that the Council will receive some good information regarding this on April 1, 2013. Mr. Burns advised that SPD is in compliance with most of the best practices and standards already but there may be some minor revisions.

Chief Straub concurred and advised that he was with the Department of Justice for nine years and he was one of the co-authors of the International Chiefs of Police Internal Affairs manual. He advised that SPD's policies and practices are generally in compliance with this manual as well. Council questions and discussion followed.

8. Adopt a Discipline Matrix

Mr. Burns advised that the Mayor has asked him to demonstrate the value of the matrix. He did meet with a Lt/Capt. Association representative and a Guild representative to find out their preliminary thoughts on the issue and they have not gotten back to him. Mr. Burns advised that he has tabled this issue pending 2013. He does see value in it and thinks we should pursue it. Chief Straub agreed that we should have continuing conversations on the issue. The Chief advised that while a matrix for disciplinary decisions would be a good baseline; disciplinary decisions are multidimensional and all factors have to be taken into account. Currently, we can go back and search our records for a history of like offenses and we should be able to establish a baseline from there. Chief Straub noted that in the past that SPD has had a heavy emphasis on disciplines and terminations. The Chief advised that SPD has hired excellent employees using a very extensive hiring and training process. That means we are getting good employees. However, the Chief would like to identify warning signals to intervene and make officers whole and viable members vs. how do we get rid of them; termination should be the very last resort. Council questions and discussion followed.

9. Recruit and hire civilian Public Information Officer.

Chief Straub advised that he is impressed with Officer DeRuwe's work. He added that it is critical that the position is a commissioned officer. The chief advised that SPD hired a media consultant about a year ago. We are constantly improving the process with PIO training on an ongoing regular basis involving officers at all levels. Officer DeRuwe has organized training for officers and the media. Chief Straub added that there are policy issues involved and our information officer needs to have training in law enforcement. The Chief advised that PIO DeRuwe is working with Marlene Feist on public safety which is incident based information and corporate level communications. Police, Fire, and EMS personnel have specific training to report appropriately these types of incidents. There are many questions the media has on why we are handling crime scenes a certain way, and they have questions on procedures etc. The media has advised that they are impressed with PIO DeRuwe's performance in establishing good relationships with them. We will continue to improve with more training and more support; we are getting better every day. Council questions and discussion followed.

10. Re-establish a Property Crimes Unit.

Chief Straub reported that SPD is handling property crimes; there are four dedicated property crime detectives and three other detectives that are assigned part time in the unit. They are continuing to investigate burglaries and other property crimes. SPD is looking at who the prolific property crime offenders are and exploring a model that the City of Indianapolis used. Chief Straub advised that this program was more than a matter of arresting and incarcerating. Utilizing this model, they identified 200 prolific burglars who were on probation and parole; they called in and a judge who talked to them first and told them law enforcement would be ramped up and they would be held under greater scrutiny if they chose not to desist from this behavior. Then, people in the community talked to the offenders about what happens in their lives when they become victims of burglaries. The offenders were then connected with community services to assist them to assist and enable them to change their lives. Council questions and discussion followed.

11. Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement (CALEA) Re-certification.

Chief Straub reported that SPD was CALEA accredited when Chief Mangan was the chief. It has since lapsed. The Chief advised that SPD will go forward with WASPC accreditation first. By end of 2013, SPD will be accredited by the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC). The Chief added, generally if you meet state requirements, it makes it much easier to get CALEA accredited. Council questions and discussion followed.

12. Create Comprehensive Crisis Intervention Training Program (CIT).

Chief Straub reported that SPD provided mental health training at the spring in-service training. This was specifically done by Jan Dobbs and Dr. Layton.

Chief Straub advised that we want officers that are motivated to be specialists in crisis intervention. They are our response team and we will ramp up training for them. We have already reached out to the mental health community. Two weeks ago, SPD held a meeting with 20 professional mental health officials. We had conversations about having combined mental health crisis response teams respond to DV situations, mental health crises; youth witnessing violence in home, etc. Chief Straub advised that this is one of his priorities; to have combined crisis response teams. Chief Straub advised that when he was at the White Plains Police Department, a philanthropic organization used social work and psychology students under supervision of an MSW or a licensed clinician as part of their officer response team. He advised that he is hoping that SPD can utilize a similar program without a major expenditure of funds.

13. Collect accurate data on race, age and gender of all persons stopped and searched by the police as set out in RCW 43.43.480-490, report such data annually to the public and work proactively with minority and other diverse communities to end racial profiling.

Chief Straub advised that SPD collects data on all complaints: including victims; persons involved in traffic accidents; persons cited as well as not; and arrested/booked information. We are pursuing a new CAD/RMS system to facilitate the ability to enter electronic field interview contacts into the system with the ability to track and extract the information in a timely manner. SPD is having conversations with the Center for Justice as well as other organizations for input on this issue. We do have policies/procedures in place to help gather that data. Currently, we get information from the CAD/RMS system and we do collect data, but we need to have a data system (RMS) that accurately records data and is retrievable. We can produce the aggregate data we have now by April 2013. The Chief advised that in some other agencies, every vehicle stopped is tracked with an FI or a report. We can't require an individual to give us a name, but we can track other pertinent information. Council Member Snyder asked if SPD is in compliance with state law and Chief Straub advised that we are.

Chief Straub advised that we can provide the Council with the data at the end of February. Council President Stuckart advised that the Council would like SPD to have the ability to track all of the information when we get a new CAD/RMS system.

14. Request administration to include these items related to the OPO in current collective bargaining talks with the Police Guild.

Mr. Burns advised that it is all tied up in contract negotiations. His hope is that it is part of the discussion.

15. Recommendations for the OPO.

Council Member Salvatori advised that the Council's expectations were to have the OPO goals and objectives completed by 2012. Council agreed with this.

Chief Straub asked who does outside monitoring of SCSO as well as other agencies in Spokane County. The Chief advised that other agencies have also been involved in police shootings and other acts of potential misconduct. Chief Straub asked when dealing with civilian oversight, why is this only directed to the Spokane Police Department? He added that if we are looking at criminal justice and law enforcement reform, the conversation should include all local area law enforcement agencies.

Council Member Snyder advised that the county has a much more complicated system. The city has a history of providing services for smaller cities or the county or the reverse when expertise is located in one agency rather than another. For example, our city hearing examiner is hired out to several local cities. One of the Council's frustrations is that several times in the last couple of years, if something happens that is high profile and occurred in the county; people assume that it happened in the city. We should be able to do more than reciprocate in investigations, by offering policies, outreach, public vetting and ombudsman services to them as SPD does have expertise in these areas.

Mr. Burns advised that there has been no conversation about the office of the ombudsman and an agreement with SCSO. He advised that 10-12% of complaints he receives has been referred to SCSO. There is no independent oversight of the Sheriff's Office. However, the Sheriff has a Civilian Advisory Board and Mr. Burns advised that he has participated in several meetings at the Sheriff's request for serious incidents that have happened. He advised that we do have a relationship with the SCSO and it does make sense to move forward with conversations and to try to make an agreement with them for dollars or service.

Special Meeting Request

Council Members would like to have another update on police reform in February 2013.

Adjournment

Council Chair McLaughlin adjourned the meeting at 3:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Carla Stamatoplos, Police Administrative Secretary

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
December 17, 2012**

Attendees: Chair Nancy McLaughlin, Council President Stuckart, Council Member Allen, Council Member Fagan, Council Member Waldref, Council Member Salvatori, Council Member Snyder, SPD A/Chief Stephens, Fire Chief Williams, Fire A/Chief Schaeffer, Fire Dave Kokot, Lorlee Mizell – 911 Director, SPD Major Meidl, SPD PIO DeRuwe, OPO Tim Burns, RaeLynn Conger, Lori Kinnear, Jerry Lueck - AMR, Page Brown Public Radio, Members of the Press, Carla Stamatoplos-SPD Secretary.

Chair Nancy McLaughlin opened the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Council approved the Police Reform Minutes of 10-5-12 and the Public Safety Minutes of November 19, 2012 as published.

SPOKANE POLICE DEPARTMENT**Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission Salary Reimbursement – A/Chief Stephens**

The WSCJTC has offered to reimburse SPD for the full time salary of an officer in order to coordinate the Emergency Vehicle Operations and Traffic Collision Program. The SPD officer will be responsible for administering, conducting, and presenting the program under the state's supervision. The term of the contract is from September 1, 2012-August 31, 2013. The officer's salary and benefits for that period of time are estimated at \$102,000 to be reimbursed by WSCJTC. The program helps provide local and state wide training and helps to maintain local credentials in the advancement of the program. SPD is seeking Council approval for acceptance of monies from WSCJTC in order to reimburse for officer's salary. This officer is currently funded in the general fund and reimbursements of salary will come back to the general fund. Council questions and discussion followed.

Contract Amendment with SCSO for Spokane Regional Drug Task Force – Major Meidl

This topic was deferred until next month.

CopLink – Richard Cain SRECS IT

Richard Cain advised this is a contract with IBM for COPLINK Maintenance. The contract amount is \$45,770.00 plus tax. The contract will begin on 01/01/2013 and end on 12/31/2013. COPLINK is a law enforcement information sharing database that supports a 12 member regional consortium in North Idaho and Spokane County. The Spokane Police Department is the fiduciary and host agency. All members are assessed a portion of maintenance fees based on the number of commissioned officers. Due to the proprietary nature of the software, IBM is the sole provider of support and maintenance. This is ongoing maintenance and support of COPLINK system. If the maintenance contract is not renewed, COPLINK software subscription and support benefits will cease to be provided. This impacts other agencies who participate in COPLINK information sharing platform as well and is in violation of MOU's signed with those agencies. SPD is seeking Council approval of the IBM COPLINK maintenance contract. This is funded by the SRECS IT fund and all costs are covered. There were no questions or discussion on this topic.

Photo Red Briefing Paper – Submitted by Officer Fuller

1068 violations were issued in November. A total of 45,333 citations have been issued since the beginning of the program, November 1, 2008 through December 12, 2012. 176 tickets were issued for the first five days in December 2012. Through September 2012, payment statistics are 62.9%. The program has collected over \$4,026,410 from November 1, 2008 through December 12, 2012. Out of 10,234 citations that have gone to hearing in front of a commissioner, 1604 have been found not committed. There were no questions or discussion by Council.

SPOKANE FIRE DEPARTMENT**Washington State Carbon Monoxide Law Update – Chief Williams**

Chief Williams introduced Dave Kokot, Fire Protection Engineer, who gave an overview of the law and answered questions.

Mr. Kokot reported Legislature passed an RCW in 2009 in response to incidents on the west side of the state which resulted in a number of deaths from carbon monoxide. On January 1, 2011, state law required carbon monoxide alarms to be installed in all *new* single family homes and residences, including apartments, condominiums, hotels, and motels. Beginning January 1, 2013, state law requires carbon monoxide alarms be installed in *existing* apartments, condominiums, hotels, motels and single-family residences.

Single-family residences, legally occupied before July 26, 2009 are not required to have carbon monoxide alarms until they are sold, at which time they would have to be retro-fitted with carbon monoxide alarms. The alarms may be battery operated or plug-in devices and should be placed on each level of the home, similar to smoke detector placement. Additional installation requirements are listed in the attached Washington State Carbon Monoxide Alarm Laws Briefing Paper.

The State Building Code Council also established a technical advisory group to establish other requirements that meet the State Legislative direction and consider occupancies to be exempted out of carbon monoxide detection. Local code officials will check for compliance with carbon monoxide alarm installation when a permit is required for new construction and most alterations, repairs or additions. Realtors are also monitoring compliance as homes for sale without detection devices are required to have them whenever homes are sold.

Mr. Kokot also noted the main cause of carbon monoxide poisonings occur when people bring in alternative forms of heat during power outages.

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION REQUESTS**Jury Services Interlocal – Municipal Court**

This agenda item was tabled as no one attended the meeting to brief the Council.

9-1-1- Outage Update – Lorlee Mizell

Chief Williams introduced Lorlee Mizell, 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Director, who presented the attached PowerPoint given by Joe Bolaschka Jr., PE, at last Tuesday's monthly meeting of the 9-1-1 Board.

Ms. Mizell reported that on November 26, 2012 a serious outage of 9-1-1 occurred and 9-1-1 calls were unable to be processed for approximately 40 minutes. The Public Branch Exchange system (PBX) is a redundant PBX and has two cores. Both cores failed and a third PBX outside of the building did not switch on before people got to the backup center.

Lorlee reviewed the timeline of the outage as follows:

Monday, November 26th

- 6:35 pm Call processing at the CCB stopped due the PBX failure.
- 7:05 pm The backup center started processing 9-1-1 calls.
- 7:20 pm Century Link technicians arrived at CCB.
- 7:30 pm PBX was operating on one core giving dial tone to Spokane Police Department and Spokane County Sheriff's Office. At that point, parts were ordered for the PBX.

Tuesday, November 27th

- Wrong parts arrived from Century Link.

Wednesday, November 28th

- Correct parts arrived from Century Link.
- System testing begins.
- Failed data switch found.

Thursday, November 29th

- Failed switch replaced.
- Call Center Manager and Call Pilot rebooted. The Call Center Manger directs calls to the next available operator.
- Decision made to move back to CCB.
- 2:30 pm 9-1-1 calls sent back to CCB.

Approximately 130 calls were missed during the 40 minutes 9-1-1 was down. The average call volume per day is 705 and a two week average of the same time frame results in approximately 23 calls during that 40 minute period. It's believed people were redialing because they were unable to get through and unfortunately, the phone numbers of the people who called during that period are not available.

Council Member Fagan stated the County just hired seven new 9-1-1 operators and inquired when they were going to be on duty and what the impact will be to citizens. Ms. Mizell stated the anticipated hire date is February 25th followed by a four month training program. The goal of 9-1-1 is to answer 98% of calls in 20 seconds or less and it's currently at 95%. Crime Check has also decreased from 97% in 20 seconds to 92%. Additional operators will result in reaching service goals and increased service levels because service levels decrease as call volumes, which currently are quite high, increase.

The data switch that provides interconnection developed intermittent failures. It's believed this led to the failure of Core 0 and Core 1 as they were both trying to boot up at the same time and that's not how the system is set to operate. One is supposed to be in the background ready to take over for the other one.

Then there was the failure of the reboot and the error in the order that caused a delay in getting back to the center. The data switch failure was undetected until the PBX processors were restored causing an additional day's delay while the switch was replaced. This led to the discovery of a different link between the two PBX cores that allow them to talk to each other. The data switch is a redundant link so that if the one link goes out, they have a way to communicate with each other. That link between the two cores had failed.

The PBX message recorder at the backup center did not work due to a disconnected ground wire. When all operators are busy the PBX message recorder tells the caller to please stay on the line and someone will be with them as soon as possible. Instead of the recording, callers were getting a series of clicks and thinking they had been hung up on, would call back multiple times.

The maintenance contract with Century Link currently does not include preventive maintenance but is being updated to include it. Also, testing of Option 11 will be performed more frequently, probably twice a year. When Option 11 is tested, 9-1-1 and Fire will occupy the backup center to take live 9-1-1 calls. Other occupants of the building will be without phone service 5-8 minutes.

Council Member Salvatori asked what would happen if another data switch fails. Ms. Mizell explained Century Link has been charged with coming up with a design, to be reviewed by Joe Bolaschka, that makes those data switches redundant.

The backup center ran successfully for over two days, processing the same number of 9-1-1 calls as the main center. Working together as a team, Fire and 9-1-1 occupied fifteen work stations at the backup center. The PBX system was restored and the Century Link alarm center process was successful as a technician was dispatched and arrived within one hour from first failure.

In going forward, they will work with Century Link to verify redundancy and failure mode. A system redundancy failure test is scheduled for April and Option 11 will be tested at the same time. All of the components will be tested at least twice a year.

The current telephone system has been in place approximately five years, operates 24/7 and is not next generation 9-1-1 compatible. Ms. Mizell has already submitted an RFP for a next generation 9-1-1 compatible telephone system. Chief Williams added the anticipated cost of the new system will run \$1 – 1.2 million and will be covered by the 9-1-1 capital replacement fund. Next generation 9-1-1 will have the capability to receive text messages into 9-1-1 and have robust photographs. It will require replacing a good portion of the existing equipment.

Council Member Snyder thanked Ms. Mizell for the presentation.

Downtown Taxi Cab Service – Council Member Fagan

Council Member Fagan advised that he asked for the information for SPD in order to start discussion with business and development on the taxi cab issues. They are claiming issues with downtown locations and this could involve Officer Hewitt, as he has background on this issue. It could be possible that we may strategically locating taxi cab zones. There is also some discussion of trying to enhance the “Drive Hammered Get Nailed program.” There shouldn’t be any fiscal involvement from SPD, other than information with Officer Hewitt.

Council Member Fagan thanked SPD for taking drug house down on Diamond Avenue.

Ombudsman Report – Tim Burns

Mr. Burns reported that since January 1, 2012 the OPO had received 129 complaints; 18 demeanor, 18 harassment, 71 inadequate response, 1 unlawful detention/search, 1 due process, 6 excessive force, 2 racial bias, 1 false arrest, 1 parking, 6 procedural, 1 driving, 1 bias policing, 2 unlawful entry. Since January 2012, 18 complaints were referred to other agencies. From November 1, 2012 through November 30, 2012, the OPO office was contacted 93 times. Since Jan 1, 2012 through November 30, 2012, the OPO was contacted 627 times. During the month of November 2012; 10 complaints were received and 1 was referred to another agency, 4 complaints were certified as timely, thorough and objective, and there were no declined or appealed certifications, no mediations, and no critical incidents were responded to. Mr. Burns reported that he recently hired an Eastern Washington University undergraduate as an intern and is hoping to introduce her at the next Public Safety meeting. No Council questions or discussion.

Adjournment

Chair McLaughlin adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m. and the Council went into executive session.

Attachments:

WACJTC Salary Reimbursement Briefing Paper
 SRDTF Contract Amendment Increase Briefing Paper
 COPLINK Briefing Paper
 Photo Red Briefing Paper
 Washington State Carbon Monoxide Law Update Briefing Paper
 9-1-1 Outage Update – PowerPoint Presentation
 OPO Briefing Paper
 3 Year Snap Shot Graph of OPO Complaints received by month

Respectfully submitted by:

Sue Raymon, Fire Administrative Secretary
 Carla Stamatoplos, Police Administrative Secretary

(Attachments are on file for review in the Office of the City Clerk.)

Notice of Election

February 12, 2013

**CITY OF SPOKANE
 NOTICE OF ELECTION
 TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 12, 2013**

PROPOSITION NO. 1

ORDINANCE NO. C - 34941

An ordinance submitting a ballot proposition to the voters of the City of Spokane to amend the Charter of the City of Spokane by adding two new sections regarding the Office of Police Ombudsman, the Police Ombudsman Commission, the independent investigative authority of both entities and other related powers.

WHEREAS, the City of Spokane has been pursuing the establishment of a police ombudsman for several years, which has included the enactment of various ordinances and negotiations with the Spokane Police Guild;

WHEREAS, over 120 other mid sized cities have successfully introduced independent civilian police oversight models; and

WHEREAS, it is widely believed that independent civilian police oversight leads to increased community trust in it's police force and improved relationships between the citizen and police communities, which result in increased public and officer safety; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has continuously called for the City and the Police Guild to negotiate additional terms related to the police ombudsman in order to provide the police ombudsman with independent investigative authority; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the City Council that the establishment and operation of an effective police ombudsman with independent investigative authority is of such importance to the community that the citizens should be given the opportunity to vote to amend the City Charter to include such provisions.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF SPOKANE ORDAIN:

Section 1. That the City Charter of the City of Spokane shall be amended by adding two new sections regarding the Office of Police Ombudsman, the Police Ombudsman Commission, the independent investigative authority of both entities and other related powers to read as follows:

ARTICLE XVI OFFICE OF POLICE OMBUDSMAN AND
POLICE OMBUDSMAN COMMISSION

Section 129 Office of Police Ombudsman

- A. The office of police ombudsman (OPO) is established in order to:
1. help ensure that investigation of complaints against police officers are accomplished in a timely, fair, and thorough manner;
 2. provide visible, professional, independent civilian oversight of _police officers;
 3. provide policy makers with recommendations on improvements to police policy, training and recruitment; and
 4. reassure the public that investigations into complaints and allegations of police misconduct are conducted in a timely, thorough, and objective manner.
- B. The OPO shall have the following responsibilities, as well as other duties and functions established by ordinance:
1. The OPO shall actively monitor all police department internal investigations;
 2. The OPO shall act as an observer to any administrative or civil investigation conducted by or on behalf of the police department when an employee of the police department is involved as a principal, victim, witness, or custodial officer, where death or serious bodily injury results, or where deadly force was used regardless of whether any injury or death resulted.
 3. The OPO shall independently investigate any matter necessary to fulfill its duties under subsection A of Section 129, within the limits of the Revised Code of Washington, Washington State case law, Public Employment Relations Commission decisions, the Spokane Municipal Code, and any collective bargaining agreements in existence at the time this amendment takes effect, but only until such agreement is replaced by a successor agreement.
 4. The OPO shall publish reports of its findings and recommendations regarding any complaints it investigates.
- C. The police ombudsman and any employee of the OPO must, at all times, be totally independent. Any findings, recommendations, reports, and requests made by the OPO must reflect the independent views of the OPO.
- D. The duties and functions of the OPO shall be established by ordinance consistent with the city charter. All authority, duties and functions granted to the OPO shall be consistent with the City's managerial prerogative authority under Washington State labor law.
- E. If any portion of Section 129 is found to be pre-empted by any existing collective bargaining agreement, it shall be deemed severed from this section and unenforceable until such time as the applicable collective bargaining agreement has been replaced by a successor agreement.
- F. The City shall not enter into any collective bargaining agreement that limits the duties or powers of the OPO as set forth in Section 129 unless such limitation is required to comply with existing federal or state law.

Section 130 Police Ombudsman Commission

- A. The office of police ombudsman commission (“commission”) is established in order to determine whether the OPO has performed his or her duties consistent with this charter, the SMC and applicable collective bargaining agreements in existence at the time this amendment takes effect, but only until such agreement is replaced by a successor agreement. The commission may direct the OPO to complete specific functions required under the charter, SMC or collective bargaining agreement, including performing additional investigative actions necessary for the OPO to comply with his or her duties and responsibilities.
- B. The commission shall consist of a minimum of five members, two nominated by the mayor and appointed by the city council and one member from each of the three city council districts nominated and appointed by the city council. Members shall serve for a three year term and may be appointed for additional three year terms. The commission shall select its own chair from its membership who shall be responsible for the administrative functions of the commission. The duties and functions of the commission, procedures for increasing the size of the commission by adding additional commissioners and the minimum qualifications for commissioners shall be established by ordinance consistent with the city charter. All authority, duties and functions granted to the commission shall be consistent with the City’s managerial prerogative authority under Washington State labor law.

Section 2. That this ordinance be submitted to the voters of the City of Spokane for their approval or rejection at the election to be held on February 12, 2013 in conjunction with the scheduled special election, as the following proposition:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

CITY OF SPOKANE

**AMENDMENT TO CITY CHARTER REGARDING A
POLICE OMBUDSMAN AND COMMISSION**

This proposition will amend the Spokane City Charter by adding two new sections to provide for the establishment of an Office of Police Ombudsman, a Police Ombudsman Commission and the independent investigative authority of both entities, as set forth in Ordinance No. C - 34941.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes

No

Section 3. Effective Date.

This ordinance, if approved by the voters, shall take effect and be in full force upon the issuance of the certificate of election by the Spokane County Auditor’s Office.

Publish: January 16, 23, 30 and February 6, 2013

**CITY OF SPOKANE
NOTICE OF ELECTION
TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 12, 2013**

PROPOSITION NO. 2

ORDINANCE NO. C - 34950

An ordinance submitting a ballot proposition to the voters of the City of Spokane to amend the Charter of the City of Spokane by adding a new section to require a majority plus one vote of the City Council to approve all new councilmanic tax measures and increases thereto.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 84 of the City Charter, the City Council, of its own motion, may submit to popular vote for adoption or rejection at any election, any proposed ordinance or measure, in the same manner and with the same force and effect as provided in the article for submission on petition; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 125 of the City Charter, the City Council, of its own motion, may submit to popular vote for adoption or rejection at any election, proposed amendments to the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that any new councilmanic tax measure and any increases thereto should be imposed only upon the affirmative vote of a majority plus one of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that an amendment to the City Charter to require an affirmative vote of a majority plus one of the City Council to approve any new taxes and increases thereto will serve the needs and best interest of the citizens of the City of Spokane.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF SPOKANE ORDAIN:

Section 1. That the City Charter of the City of Spokane shall be amended by adding a new section to require that any new councilmanic tax measure may be levied or increased only by a majority plus one vote of the City Council to read as follows:

Section 21.5 Councilmanic Tax Measures and Increases

After March 1, 2013, a new councilmanic tax may be levied and an existing councilmanic tax increased only by a majority plus one vote of the city council. For purposes of this section, "new councilmanic tax" means a tax for which the city council has the authority to levy but has not or is granted to the city council after March 1, 2013. A councilmanic tax does not include fees, rates and charges, or special assessments. This section does not apply to existing councilmanic taxes levied by the city council as of March 1, 2013 or any renewal or reauthorization of those taxes that does not increase the tax rate.

Section 2. That this ordinance be submitted to the voters of the City of Spokane for their approval or rejection at the election to be held on February 12, 2013 in conjunction with the scheduled special election, as the following proposition:

PROPOSITION NO. 2

CITY OF SPOKANE

AMENDMENT TO CITY CHARTER REGARDING CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF TAXES

This proposition will amend the Spokane City Charter by adding a new section to require that, after March 1, 2013, any "new councilmanic tax," as defined in Ordinance No. C- 34950, may be levied or increased only by a majority plus one vote of the City Council; all as set forth in Ordinance No. C- 34950.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes
No

Section 3. Effective Date.

This ordinance, if approved by the voters, shall take effect and be in full force upon the issuance of the certificate of election by the Spokane County Auditor's Office.

Publish: January 16, 23, 30 and February 6, 2013

**CITY OF SPOKANE
NOTICE OF ELECTION
TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 12, 2013**

PROPOSITION NO. 3

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-0106

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SPOKANE PROPOSING AN INCREASE IN THE REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR A PERIOD OF FOUR YEARS BEGINNING IN 2014 IN AN AMOUNT EXCEEDING THE LIMITATIONS OF CHAPTER 84.55 RCW TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR LIBRARY OPERATIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSITION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT A SPECIAL ELECTION; REQUESTING THE SPOKANE COUNTY AUDITOR TO HOLD A SPECIAL ELECTION FOR THE PROPOSITION ON FEBRUARY 12, 2013 IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SCHEDULED SPECIAL ELECTION; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Spokane, Washington, (the "City") is a first-class city duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the Constitution and the laws of the state of Washington and its City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the City has authority to enact a regular annual property tax levy and such other levy or levies as may be approved by the electorate, subject to applicable limitations thereon, as required by law; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 84.55 RCW reflects a limitation that the annual rate of increase of the dollar amount of the regular property tax levy set by the City Council may not exceed the lesser of the rate of inflation or one percent, all as further reflected in Chapter 84.55 RCW; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.55.050 permits an election to authorize a levy above the limit factor specified in Chapter 84.55 RCW, upon majority approval by the voters, subject to any otherwise applicable statutory dollar rate limitation, said election to be held not more than twelve months prior to the date on which the proposed excess levy is to be made, except as further provided in said statute for multi-year levies; and

WHEREAS, over the past two years, the City has experienced a downturn in the economy resulting in less revenue being collected from the various tax revenue sources available to the City, such as property and sales tax; and

WHEREAS, the City has adopted annual budgets that have significantly reduced the City's expenditures to match the reduced revenue, which have resulted in a reduction in the level of services, including services provided by the Spokane Public Library; and

WHEREAS, the City anticipates that the level of revenue received by the City for the 2014 budget year will be less than the anticipated expenses resulting in additional budget reductions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to increase funding for library operations by submitting to the voters a proposition to increase the regular property tax levy in excess of the amount permitted by state law of \$0.07 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2014 and to have the increase levy amount remain in place for four years to raise approximately \$1,043,429 per year;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 84 of the City Charter, the City Council, of its own motion, may submit to popular vote for adoption or rejection at any election, any proposed ordinance or measure.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Spokane that:

Section 1. The Spokane County Auditor is hereby requested pursuant to RCW 29A.04.330 to hold a special election on February 12, 2013, in conjunction with the scheduled special election for the purpose of submitting to the voters of the City of Spokane for the approval or rejection a property tax levy to provide funding for library operations.

Section 2. The following proposition shall be submitted in the following form:

CITY OF SPOKANE
PROPOSITION NO. 3
LIBRARY OPERATIONS LEVY

THE CITY OF SPOKANE ADOPTED RESOLUTION NO. 2012-0106, PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY IN EXCESS OF STATE LAW BEGINNING IN 2014 IN WHICH THE FUNDING WOULD BE ALLOCATED ONE HUNDRED PERCENT FOR LIBRARY OPERATIONS. THIS PROPOSITION AUTHORIZES AN INCREASE IN THE REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR 2014 BY \$0.07 PER \$1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUATION FOR A LEVY RATE NOT TO EXCEED \$3.08. THE INCREASE IN THE PROPERTY TAX LEVY WOULD REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR A PERIOD OF FOUR YEARS.

SHOULD THIS PROPOSITION BE APPROVED?

YES
NO

Section 3. In the event the proposition specified in Section 2 above is approved by the qualified electors of the City as required by the Constitution and laws of the state of Washington, there shall be levied and collected annual excess property tax levies in the amount as authorized by said voter approval. Such tax levies will be in excess of the regular annual tax levies permitted by law without voter approval.

Section 4. The City hereby requests pursuant to RCW 29A.04.330 the Spokane County Auditor, as *ex officio* Supervisor of Elections for the City, to call, conduct and hold within the City a special election on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 in conjunction with the scheduled special election to be held on the same date, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the City for their approval or rejection, the proposal set forth above. The City Clerk of the City of Spokane is hereby authorized and directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Spokane County Auditor, as *ex officio* Supervisor of Elections for the City, no later than December 28, 2012.

Section 5. If any one or more of the provisions of this resolution shall be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, then such provision shall be null and void, and shall be deemed separable from the remaining provisions of this resolution, and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution.

Section 6. The levy lid lift in the property tax levy rate shall be a temporary single year increase, which shall begin in 2014 and continue through 2017.

Section 7. The City Attorney is authorized to make such minor adjustments to the wording of the proposition as may be necessary to effectuate the intent of the resolution or upon recommendation of the Spokane County Auditor, as long as the intent of the proposition remains clear and consistent with the intent of this resolution as approved by the City Council.

Section 8. This resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its passage.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 17th day of December 2012.

Publish: January 16, 23, 30 and February 6, 2013

Job Opportunities

The City of Spokane is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer

MATERIALS TESTING SUPERVISOR SPN 223 PROMOTIONAL ONLY EXAMINATION

SALARY: \$45,330 annual salary, payable bi-weekly, to a maximum of \$68,674
DATE OPEN: Monday, January 28, 2013
DATE CLOSED: Applications will be accepted until the close of business on Friday, February 8, 2013.
OFFICE HOURS: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. – Monday through Friday, except holidays

DUTIES:

Performs specialized laboratory, supervisory, and field work within the City's Material Testing program. Acts as the Radiation Safety Officer for nuclear testing devices. Supervises and conducts testing of materials including soils, asphalt concrete, Portland cement concrete, and others. Responsible for full functionality of all field and laboratory testing equipment. Prepares and submits required reports. Performs related work as required.

PROMOTIONAL REQUIREMENTS: (All requirements must be met by date of examination.)

Completion of at least two years of experience with the City in the classification of Public Works Materials Laboratory Assistant or Public Works Lead Inspector. All applicants must have at least three years' experience in which a regular part of the job is hands-on sampling and testing of highway construction materials (soil, asphalt and concrete) in accordance with AASHTO and/or ASTM standards. Applicants must have a valid driver's license.

EXAMINATION:

The examination will be conducted on the 4th floor of City Hall in the Civil Service Test Room on Tuesday, February 19, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. Approximate duration of the test is 2 hours. The examination will consist of a written test and a promotional evaluation. Weights are assigned as follows: written test 80% and promotional evaluation 20%.

The written test may include such subjects as: Technical and Laboratory Knowledge; Reading Comprehension; Inspection Procedures; Reports; Safety; Mathematics; Human Relations; Supervision.

NOTE: Electronic calculators are recommended for the examination and will be furnished by the City. Candidates are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the calculators prior to the examination.

Upon request, at time of application, the City will provide alternative accessible tests to individuals with disabilities that impair manual, sensory or speaking skills needed to take the test, unless the test is intended to measure those skills.

TO APPLY:

Because this is a promotional only recruitment, it is not posted on the City's website. **To apply, you may send an e-mail no later than 5:00 pm on the closing date requesting your name be added to the Promotional Examination list to Civil Service Internet Mailbox which is civilservice@spokanecity.org. Please include: 1) your full name, 2) present classification, 3) department and phone number, 4) driver's license number and expiration date; OR go to the Civil Service office on the 4th floor of City Hall during office hours to sign up on the Promotional Examination list. Please verify if application is needed under PROMOTIONAL REQUIREMENTS.**

By order of the SPOKANE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, dated at Spokane, Washington, this 22nd day of January 2013.

MARY DORAN
Chair

GLENN KIBBEY
Chief Examiner

**RADIO OPERATOR II SPN 281
PROMOTIONAL ONLY EXAMINATION**

SALARY: \$39,045 annual salary, payable bi-weekly, to a maximum of \$56,188
DATE OPEN: Monday, January 28, 2013
DATE CLOSED: Applications will be accepted until the close of business on Friday, February 8, 2013.
OFFICE HOURS: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. – Monday through Friday, except holidays

DUTIES:

Performs responsible and skilled communications work in receiving and transmitting radio, communications terminal, and telephone messages, orders, and general and special information. Performs related work as required.

PROMOTIONAL REQUIREMENTS: (All requirements must be met by date of examination.)

Completion of one year of experience with the City in the classification of Radio Operator I (SPN: 280); OR, completion of two years of experience in the classification of Laborer II assigned to full-time radio operation and possession of a valid Class "B" Commercial Driver's License (CDL).

EXAMINATION:

The examination will be conducted on the 4th floor of City Hall in the Civil Service Test Room on Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at 9:00 a.m. Approximate duration of the test is 2 hours. The examination will consist of a written test and a promotional evaluation. Weights are assigned as follows: written test 80% and promotional evaluation 20%.

The written test may include such subjects as: Communications & Radio Operations; Human/Public Relations; City Geography; Map Reading Problems; Supervision & Training; Record Keeping.

Upon request, at time of application, the City will provide alternative accessible tests to individuals with disabilities that impair manual, sensory or speaking skills needed to take the test, unless the test is intended to measure those skills.

TO APPLY:

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By order of the SPOKANE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, dated at Spokane, Washington, this 23rd day of January 2013.

MARY DORAN
Chair

GLENN KIBBEY
Chief Examiner

Notice for Bids

Paving, Sidewalks, Sewer, etc.

WALL STREET - RIVERSIDE AVENUE AND 5TH AVENUE TO 3RD AVENUE

Engineering Services File No. 2012117

NOTE: THIS PROJECT HAS A TWO WEEK BID PERIOD

This project consists of the construction of approximately 2,450 cubic yards of excavation and embankment, 222 linear feet of storm sewer, 8 drainage structures, 680 linear feet of sidewalk, 6,236 square yards of 5-inch and 8-inch thick HMA pavement, 1,053 square feet of concrete pavers, sundry utility adjustments, and other related miscellaneous items.

The City of Spokane Purchasing Department, Fourth floor, City Hall, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane WA 99201-3316, will receive sealed bids **until 1:00 p.m., February 11, 2013**, for the above project located in Spokane, Washington, in accordance with the Contract Documents on file in the office of the Director, Engineering Services Department. The bids will be publicly opened and read at 1:15 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

Copies of the Contract Documents are available at www.cityofspokaneplans.com. The Planholders list is also available at this website. Additional project information including the Engineer's estimated cost range for the project, bid results (after bid opening), as well as information about other City projects are available by following the appropriate links at the following website: www.spokaneengineering.org/bid-information.

The City of Spokane, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulation, Department of Transportation, subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises as defined at 49 CFR Part 26 will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color or national origin, or sex in consideration for an award.

Bids shall be submitted on the forms provided in accordance with the provisions of the Specifications. Irregular bid proposals will be rejected in accordance with the specifications.

A certified check or surety bond in the sum of five percent (5%) of the Total Project Bid must accompany the copy of the bid filed with the City Clerk. Successful bidder shall execute the Contract within TEN (10) calendar days after receiving the Contract. Should the successful bidder fail to enter into such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond within the time stated herein, the bid proposal deposit shall be forfeited to the City of Spokane.

The City of Spokane will normally award this Contract or reject bids within FORTY FIVE (45) calendar days after the time set for the bid opening. If the lowest responsible Bidder and the City of Spokane agree, this deadline may be extended. If they cannot agree on an extension by the 45-calendar day deadline, the City of Spokane reserves the right to Award the Contract to the next lowest responsible Bidder or reject all Bids.

The City has a new policy regarding addenda. Refer to the Notice to Prospective Bidders Regarding Bid Phase Questions.

In accordance with SMC 7.06.500 and RCW 39.04.350(1), the low bidder shall complete the Supplemental Bidder Responsibility Criteria form located in Appendix C. Failure to promptly submit the form including supporting documentation if required may delay award of the Contract.

Note regarding new specifications: The City of Spokane is using WSDOT's 2012 Standard Specifications. Bidders should allow sufficient time to familiarize themselves with the WSDOT 2012 specifications prior to bidding the project.

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**11TH AVENUE FROM LATAH BRIDGE TO COEUR D' ALENE STREET;
12TH AVENUE FROM SPRUCE STREET TO INLAND EMPIRE WAY;
SPRUCE STREET FROM 12TH AVENUE TO 11TH AVENUE**

Engineering Services File No. 2011162

This project consists of the construction of approximately 2,190 cubic yards of excavation and embankment, 380 linear feet of storm sewer, 12 drainage structures, 1,230 square yards of 4-inch thick concrete sidewalk, 50 square yards of 4-inch thick concrete driveway transition, 440 square yards of 6-inch thick concrete driveways, 574 linear feet of concrete curb, 2,610 linear feet of concrete curb and gutter, 5,200 square yards of 3-inch thick hot-mix asphalt (HMA) pavement, sundry utility adjustments, and other related miscellaneous items.

The City of Spokane Purchasing Department, Fourth floor, City Hall, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane WA 99201-3316, will receive sealed bids **until 1:00 p.m., February 4, 2013** for the above project located in Spokane, Washington, in accordance with the Contract Documents on file in the office of the Director, Engineering Services Department. The bids will be publicly opened and read at 1:15 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

Copies of the Contract Documents are available at www.cityofspokaneplans.com. The Planholders list is also available at this website. Additional project information including the Engineer's estimated cost range for the project, bid results (after bid opening), as well as information about other City projects are available by following the appropriate links at the following website: www.spokaneengineering.org/bid-information.

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Bids shall be submitted on the forms provided in accordance with the provisions of the Specifications. Irregular bid proposals will be rejected in accordance with the specifications.

A certified check or surety bond in the sum of five percent (5%) of the Total Project Bid must accompany the copy of the bid filed with the City Clerk. Successful bidder shall execute the Contract within TEN (10) calendar days after receiving the Contract. Should the successful bidder fail to enter into such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond within the time stated herein, the bid proposal deposit shall be forfeited to the City of Spokane.

The City of Spokane will normally award this Contract or reject bids within FORTY FIVE (45) calendar days after the time set for the bid opening. If the lowest responsible Bidder and the City of Spokane agree, this deadline may be extended. If they cannot agree on an extension by the 45-calendar day deadline, the City of Spokane reserves the right to Award the Contract to the next lowest responsible Bidder or reject all Bids.

The City has a new policy regarding addenda. Refer to the Notice to Prospective Bidders Regarding Bid Phase Questions.

In accordance with SMC 7.06.500 and RCW 39.04.350(1), the low bidder shall complete the Supplemental Bidder Responsibility Criteria form located in Appendix C. Failure to promptly submit the form including supporting documentation if required may delay award of the Contract.

Note regarding new specifications: The City of Spokane is using WSDOT's 2012 Standard Specifications. Bidders should allow sufficient time to familiarize themselves with the WSDOT 2012 specifications prior to bidding the project.

COS/KENDALL YARDS JOINT STORMWATER FACILITY**Engineering Services File No. 2010119**

This project consists of the construction of buried concrete stormwater storage tank approximately 56' long x 31' wide x 23.5' deep, four submersible pumps installed in the concrete tank, site piping, electrical and associated excavation and shoring.

The City of Spokane Purchasing Department, Fourth floor, City Hall, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane WA 99201-3316, will receive sealed bids **until 1:00 p.m., February 11, 2013** for the above project located in Spokane, Washington, in accordance with the Contract Documents on file in the office of the Director, Engineering Services Department. The bids will be publicly opened and read at 1:15 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

Copies of the Contract Documents are available at www.cityofspokaneplans.com. The Planholders list is also available at this website. Additional project information including the Engineer's estimated cost range for the project, bid results (after bid opening), as well as information about other City projects are available by following the appropriate links at the following website: www.spokaneengineering.org/bid-information.

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Bids shall be submitted on the forms provided in accordance with the provisions of the Specifications. Irregular bid proposals will be rejected in accordance with the specifications.

A certified check or surety bond in the sum of five percent (5%) of the Total Project Bid must accompany the copy of the bid filed with the City Clerk. Successful bidder shall execute the Contract within TEN (10) calendar days after receiving the Contract. Should the successful bidder fail to enter into such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond within the time stated herein, the bid proposal deposit shall be forfeited to the City of Spokane.

The City of Spokane will normally award this Contract or reject bids within FORTY FIVE (45) calendar days after the time set for the bid opening. If the lowest responsible Bidder and the City of Spokane agree, this deadline may be extended. If they cannot agree on an extension by the 45-calendar day deadline, the City of Spokane reserves the right to Award the Contract to the next lowest responsible Bidder or reject all Bids.

In accordance with SMC 7.06.500 and RCW 39.04.350(1), the low bidder shall complete the Supplemental Bidder Responsibility Criteria form located in Appendix C. Failure to promptly submit the form including supporting documentation if required may delay award of the Contract.

The Successful bidder will be required to conform to the wage requirements prescribed by the federal Davis-Bacon and Relate Acts which requires that all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors performing on contracts funded in whole or in part by SRF appropriations in excess of \$2,000 pay their laborers and mechanics not less than the prevailing wage rates and fringe benefits, and determined by the Secretary of Labor, for corresponding classes of laborers and mechanics employed on similar projects in the area.

It is anticipated that this project will be funded in part by the Washington State Department of Ecology. Neither the State of Washington nor any of its departments or employees are, or shall be, a party to any contract or any subcontract resulting from this solicitation for bids.

Note regarding new specifications: The City of Spokane is using WSDOT's 2012 Standard Specifications. Bidders should allow sufficient time to familiarize themselves with the WSDOT 2012 specifications prior to bidding the project.

Notice for Bids

Supplies, Equipment, Maintenance, etc.

TYPE IV PRISMATIC STOP SIGNS & ALUMINUM SIGN BLANKS Street Department

BID #3909-13

Sealed bids will be opened at 1:15 p.m., **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2013** in the Council Chambers, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane, Washington 99201, for a **TYPE IV PRISMATIC STOP SIGNS & ALUMINUM SIGN BLANKS** for the City of Spokane Streets Department.

Detailed specifications and proposal forms are available from City Purchasing, by contacting Thea Prince at purchasinghelp@spokanecity.org.

Submittal Instructions:

Bid proposal forms may be submitted to the Purchasing Division **until 1:00 p.m. on the date of opening**. Proposals must be sent sufficiently ahead of time to be received by the opening date and time. City of Spokane is not responsible for proposals delivered late.

Submit one (1) original and one (1) copy of response to:

Division of Purchasing
City of Spokane
4th Floor – City Hall
808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd.
Spokane WA 99201

The right is reserved to reject any and all proposals and to waive any informalities in the bidding. Special attention will be directed to the qualifications of the proposer when considering this contract. **Only firm proposals with signatures will be tabulated.**

Envelopes containing proposals are to be marked: **“TYPE IV PRISMATIC STOP SIGNS & ALUMINUM SIGN BLANKS, BID #3909-13, DUE FEBRUARY 4, 2013”**

Thea Prince
Purchasing Division

Publish: January 23 and 30, 2013

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TRANSPORTATION CHAPTER UPDATE Business and Development Services Division

RFP #3910-13

Sealed Proposals will be acknowledged at the 1:15 p.m. public bid opening on **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2013**, in the Council Chambers, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane, Washington 99201, for **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TRANSPORTATION CHAPTER UPDATE** for the City of Spokane Business and Development Services Division.

The Request for Proposals document is available by contacting Connie Wahl, City of Spokane Purchasing, 4th Floor, City Hall, 808 West Spokane Falls Blvd, Spokane WA 99201 at purchasinghelp@spokanecity.org.

Proposal documents should be submitted to City of Spokane Purchasing **no later than 1:00 p.m. on Monday, February 11, 2013**. Proposals must be sent sufficiently ahead of time to be received by the required date and time. The City of Spokane is not responsible for Proposals delivered late.

Submit one (1) paper original, seven (7) paper copies, and one (1) reproducible digital copy (thumb drive, CD, or DVD) of the Proposal to:

City of Spokane - Purchasing
4th Floor – City Hall
808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd.
Spokane, Washington 99201

The right is reserved to reject any and all Proposals and to waive any informalities in the Proposals.

All response packages are to be clearly marked with: **“RFP #3910-13, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TRANSPORTATION CHAPTER UPDATE, DUE 2/11/2013”**

Connie Wahl, C.P.M., CPPB
City of Spokane Purchasing

Publish: January 23 and 30, 2013

MISCELLANEOUS WATER DEPT. CONCRETE PRODUCTS

Water Department

BID #3911-13

Sealed bids will be opened at 1:15 p.m., **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2013** in the Council Chambers, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane, Washington 99201, for **MISCELLANEOUS WATER DEPT. CONCRETE PRODUCTS** for the City of Spokane Water Department.

Detailed specifications and proposal forms are available from City Purchasing, by contacting Thea Prince at purchasinghelp@spokanecity.org.

Submittal Instructions:

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Spokane WA 99201

The right is reserved to reject any and all proposals and to waive any informalities in the bidding. Special attention will be directed to the qualifications of the proposer when considering this contract. **Only firm proposals with signatures will be tabulated.**

Envelopes containing proposals are to be marked: **“MISCELLANEOUS WATER DEPT. CONCRETE PRODUCTS, BID 3911-13, DUE 2/4/13”**.

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