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The Briefing Session of the Spokane City Council held on the above date was called to order at 3:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers in the Lower Level of the Municipal Building, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane, Washington.

Roll Call
On roll call, Council President Stuckart and Council Members Fagan, Mumm, Stratton, and Waldref were present. Council Members Allen and Snyder were absent.

City Administrator Theresa Sanders, Council’s Policy Advisor Brian McClatchey, and City Clerk Terri Pfister were also present on the dais.

Advance Agenda Review
Council received input from staff on the November 23, 2015, Advance Agenda items.

Action to Approve November 23, 2015, Advance Agenda
Following staff reports and Council inquiry and discussion regarding the November 23, 2015, Advance Agenda items, the City Council took the following action (pursuant to Council Rule 2.1.2):

Motion by Council Member Fagan, seconded by Council Member Waldref, to approve the Advance Agenda for Monday, November 23, 2015; carried unanimously (Council Members Allen and Snyder absent).

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

Current Agenda Review
The City Council considered the November 16, 2015, Current Agenda items.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Council Member Fagan, seconded by Council Member Waldref, the City Council unanimously (Council Members Allen and Snyder absent) approved Staff Recommendations for the following:


Low Bid of Arc Electric and Lighting Corp. (Spokane, WA) for Main/Division Intersection Improvements—$442,359. An administrative reserve of $44,235.90, which is 10% of the contract price, will be set aside. (PRO 2015-0038 / ENG 2011103)

Amendment to Contract with Murray, Smith & Associates, Inc. (Spokane, WA) for Water System Computerized Hydraulic Model Update to now include Criticality Analysis for System piping and plumbing systems—$58,900. (OPR 2014-0265)

Proposed modification to change the Management Agreement for the Corbet-Aspray House listed on the Spokane Register of Historic Buildings. (OPR 2015-0924)

Recommendations to list on the Spokane Register of Historical Places:
a. The Hutsinpiller House & Garage, 3 West 27th Avenue. (OPR 2015-0925)
b. The Jimmie Durkin Building, 409 - 415 West Main Street. (OPR 2015-0926)
c. The Rombeck/Dutch's Loan Buildings, 421 West Main Avenue. (OPR 2015-0927)

Mutual Aid Agreement with Fairchild Air Force Base Fire Emergency Services Flight and Fairchild Air Force Base Fire Emergency Management in the event of a disaster for which neither party has sufficient equipment or personnel to handle. (OPR 2015-0928)

Report of the Mayor of pending:

a. Claims and payments of previously approved obligations, including those of Parks and Library, through November 6, 2015, total $6,526,902.31 (Check Nos. 517481-517867; ACH Payment Nos. 21300-21502), with Parks and Library claims approved by their respective boards. Warrants excluding Parks and Library total $6,509,525.09. (CPR 2015-002)

b. Payroll claims of previously approved obligations through November 7, 2015: $6,440,915.47 (Check Nos. 534590-534801). (CPR 2015-0003)

City Council Meeting Minutes: November 2, 2015. (CPR 2015-0013)

Executive Session/Council Recess
The City Council adjourned at 3:57 p.m. The City Council immediately reconvened into an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation matters for 15 minutes. Assistant City Attorney Nate Odle was present during the Executive Session.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Pledge of Allegiance
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council President Stuckart.

Moment of Silence
Council President Stuckart requested a moment of silence for all of those killed in the Paris attacks in the past week.

Roll Call
Council President Stuckart and Council Members Fagan, Mumm, Snyder, Stratton, and Waldref were present. Council Member Allen was absent.

Council’s Policy Advisor Brian McClatchey and City Clerk Terri Pfister were also present on the dais.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS
Planning and Economic Development Committee
Council Member Mumm reported on the Planning and Economic Development Committee meeting held earlier today (November 16). Minutes of the Planning and Economic Development Committee meetings are filed with the City Clerk’s Office and are available for review following approval by the Planning and Economic Development Committee.

Public Safety
Council President Stuckart and Council Member Stratton reported on the Public Safety Committee meeting held earlier today (November 16). Minutes of the Public Safety Committee meetings are filed with the City Clerk’s Office and are available for review following approval by the Public Safety Committee.

APPOINTMENTS
Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (CPR 2000-0031)
Motion by Council Member Snyder, seconded by Council Member Fagan, to approve (and thereby confirm) the appointment of Cheryl Kilday to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee for a term of June 1, 2015, to June 1, 2016; carried unanimously (Council Member Allen absent).
OPEN FORUM

Rick Bocook questioned how many people are being arrested for the sit and lie ordinance and are homeless. He stated he talks to a lot of people that are transient and are homeless who have been arrested or ticketed and feels it’s a pretty good size number for the homeless population. He remarked that the homeless population is targeted under this law and criminalized and it needs to be eliminated.

George McGrath commented on the moment of silence for the people murdered in Paris and Planned Parenthood. He also commented on sanctuary city.

Joan Medina stated she is the founder of Bridget's Cloak, which is a late night all volunteer homeless outreach program in Downtown Spokane. She expressed a concern that the war on the homeless continues in the Downtown core and that people are still being arrested for “sit and lie.” She shared a story of a woman who sleeps in same area on benches near Lewis and Clark High School and was arrested for sleeping on the benches and violating “sit and lie.” Ms. Medina indicated she accompanied the woman to community court only to learn her ticket had never been entered into the system.

Henry Valder commented on the moment of silence at the beginning of the meeting and stated what we need is prayer. He also commented on the homeless and the Guardian Foundation.

Bill Boomer remarked on Uber refusing to do criminal history checks in other cities and hiring felons. He also commented on a problem with Uber drivers parking in taxi stands and double parking on Division and Friday and Saturday night and sitting with emergency flashers on which is a traffic hazard. He noted he now has his own app and he assumes that makes him a TNC and all of the business off that will come off the internet so that he will no longer have to pay for a City business license like Uber and Lyft and he will not have to pay any State license and his driver’s will not have to have a for hire license.

Council President Stuckart noted the reason they (Uber and Lyft) are different is because the state has not come out with a ruling. He noted the Council has its Legislative Agenda coming up and he and Council Member Fagan and others agreed that should be one of the City’s top three priorities next year. He noted that until the State fixes it and says what they are, we can’t fix it permanently at the City level.

Stephanie Cates commented she is a supporter of the Second Amendment and remarked that each citizen that chooses to exercise that right has the responsibility to learn the proper and safe way to handle and store a gun. In addition, she also remarked on the First Amendment and the two open forum opportunities at the City Council meeting. She noted citizens have the right to have their voices heard but they also have the responsibility to be respectful and persuasive. She remarked that she hopes the Council will reconsider placing too many restrictions on open forum and the topics discussed and noted citizens appreciate having this right to come down to address the Council.

Greg Cunningham noted that until fairly recently it was rare to hear of a mass shooting. He stated we’ve become numb to these incidents given the frequency with which they occur. He remarked on shootings that have occurred on college campuses in the United States. Mr. Cunningham stated he understands there is some question as to whether or not this is an issue that should be brought before the City Council and he stated it is because he believes it is a public health and public safety issue. He remarked that Congress has banned federal funding for research on gun violence and stated that if Congress won’t deal with it then it is up to local communities to take matters into their own hands to look into these issues. He stated that some communities have instituted a tax on gun sales to fund research to answer questions and he supports such a movement in the City of Spokane.

David Brookbank stated the Spokane Police Department has not had its long overdue cultural assessment. He referenced various incidents involving police.

LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

There were no Emergency Budget Ordinances.

There were no Emergency Ordinances.
RESOLUTIONS
Resolution 2015-0117 (OPR 2015-0920) (Deferred from November 2, 2015, Agenda)
Subsequent to an overview of Resolution 2015-0117 by Council President Stuckart, public testimony, and Council and staff commentary, the following action was taken:

Upon Unanimous Roll Call Vote (Council Member Allen absent), the City Council adopted Resolution 2015-0117 providing for the sale of surplus City property (land parcel near the southwest corner of South Regal Street and East Palouse Highway) and authorizing execution of Purchase and Sale Agreement—$899,668.09 Revenue.

Resolution 2015-0119
Subsequent to an opportunity for public testimony, with no individuals requesting to speak, the following action was taken:

Upon Unanimous Roll Call Vote (Council Member Allen absent), the City Council adopted Resolution 2015-0119 declaring an emergency and authorizing the Fleet Services Department to contract with the Vactor dealer, Owen Equipment (Kent, WA) in lieu of public bidding for repairing a Hose Reel Assembly on Vactor Truck #428255—not to exceed $75,000.

Resolution 2015-0120 (ENG 2001034)
Subsequent to a brief overview by Council President Stuckart and the opportunity for public testimony, with none provided, the following action was taken:

Upon Unanimous Roll Call Vote (Council Member Allen absent), the City Council adopted Resolution 2015-0120 setting the assessment roll hearing before City Council for December 14, 2015, for the Downtown Parking and Business Improvement Area (Business Improvement District – BID) and providing Notice of the 2016 assessments to business and property owners.

FINAL READING ORDINANCES
Final Reading Ordinance C35319
Subsequent to an overview by Council President Stuckart and public testimony from Andrew Rolwes, Downtown Spokane Partnership Public Policy and Parking Manager, the following action was taken:

Upon Unanimous Roll Call Vote (Council Member Allen absent), the City Council passed Final Reading Ordinance C35319 relating to the parking system fund and Parking Advisory Committee; amending SMC section 7.08.130.

CONSIDERATION OF MAYORAL VETO ON ORDINANCE C35310
Council President Stuckart noted Ordinance C35310 was vetoed by the Mayor. He requested a motion to suspend the rules to add the matter on to tonight’s agenda. Subsequently, the following actions were taken:

Motion by Council Member Snyder, seconded by Council Member Waldref, to suspend the Council Rules; carried 5 to 1 (Council Member Fagan voting “no” and Council Member Allen absent).

Motion by Council Member Snyder, seconded by Council Member Waldref, to add Ordinance C35310 for consideration of Mayoral veto override to the agenda; carried 5 to 1 (Council Member Fagan voting “no” and Council Member Allen absent).

Subsequent to public testimony and Council commentary, the following action was taken:

Upon 5-1 Roll Call Vote in the affirmative (Council Member Fagan voting “no” and Council Member Allen absent), the City Council approved an override of the Mayor’s veto of Ordinance C35310.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES
The following ordinance was read for the first time with further action deferred:

ORD C35320 Of the City of Spokane relating to local improvement districts; establishing Consolidated Local Improvement District No. 224A and a consolidated local improvement district bond redemption fund; fixing the amount, form, date, interest rate and maturity of the Consolidated Local Improvement District No. 224A Installment Note; providing for the purchase of that Note by the City from funds on deposit in the Spokane Investment Pool; and defining the interest rate on local improvement district assessment installments.
HEARINGS

Hearing on 2015 Proposed Budget (continued from November 9, 2015, Agenda)
The City Council continued its hearing on the 2016 Proposed Budget. Business and Developer Services Division Director Scott Simmons provided an overview of the budget for the Business and Developer Services Division. Subsequent to public testimony from one individual, the following action was taken:

Motion by Council Member Fagan, seconded by Council Member Stratton, to continue the Hearing on the 2016 Proposed Budget (to November 23, 2015); carried unanimously (Council Member Allen absent).

SECOND OPEN FORUM

Cherie Barnett stated she is grateful to be able to speak. She remarked on the Council’s power and how easily they can override the Mayor. She also commented on the protection of citizens and their well-being and the Second Amendment and also stated she opposes sanctuary city.

Alene Lindstrom commented on the sanctuary city petition.

Gabriel Elliot commented on the weekly meditation class in Spokane and provided various other remarks.

Kay Howard commented on property rights and remarked on concerns she has with a road closure. She stated that since 2009 she has been down many times to the City suggesting the City put a sign that road closed. She noted she can fence the property but questioned what will happen without signs up — that people will crash through the fence and sue her. She noted she didn’t close the road and she didn’t petition for it.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the Regular Legislative Session of the Spokane City Council adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

General Notices

The following rule change to the Civil Service Rule Book was adopted by the Civil Service Commission on November 17, 2015:

The addition of a second paragraph to Civil Service Rule V – APPOINTMENT AND PROBATION, SECTION 3 CERTIFICATION, FOURTH:

Where the eligible list is for the Firefighter classification: the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the ten highest eligibles for the first vacancy and an additional four names for every additional vacancy.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-0120

A RESOLUTION SETTING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL HEARING FOR THE DOWNTOWN PARKING AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA (BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT – BID) AND PROVIDING NOTICE OF THE 2016 ASSESSMENTS TO BUSINESS AND PROPERTY OWNERS

WHEREAS, pursuant to the laws of Washington State and City Ordinance C-32923, as revised, the City Council intends to hold a hearing on the assessments levied upon businesses and properties within the Downtown Parking and Business Improvement Area (PBIA); and
WHEREAS, through this Resolution, the City Council intends to provide notice that there will be a hearing upon the assessment roll prepared under the above-identified Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SPOKANE CITY COUNCIL:

1. Notice is hereby given that the assessment rolls for businesses and properties prepared under Ordinance C-32923, as revised, will be on file in the Office of the City Clerk on the 16th day of November 2015, and are open for public inspection.

2. The City Council has fixed the 14th day of December 2015 at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as practicable in the City Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, as the time and place for hearing upon said rolls.

3. The City Council declares its intent to impose special assessments in a manner that measures special benefits from each of the purposes set forth in Ordinance C-32923, as revised. The special assessments will finance the PBIA (BID) budgets and programs approved by the City Council.

4. All persons who may desire to object to the assessment roll shall make their objections in writing and file them with the City Clerk at, or prior to the date fixed for hearing.

At the time and place fixed, and at such other times as the hearing may be continued to, the City Council will consider the assessment roll as a board of equalization for the purpose of considering objections or comments made thereto, or any part thereof, and may correct, revise, raise, lower, change or modify such roll, or any part thereof, or set aside such roll and order that such assessments be made de novo, or take such other action as the circumstances may warrant, including confirmation of the assessment rolls.

This is the only hearing held on the assessment roll, and it will be final unless appealed according to City Ordinance C-32923.

5. Business & Developer Services is directed to mail, at least fifteen days before the date fixed for hearing, a notice to the business and property owners identified in the assessment rolls setting forth the date and time of public hearing, including the amount of the special assessment.

6. The City Clerk is directed to publish notice of the hearing on the assessment rolls in the Official Gazette for two consecutive weeks, the last publication being one week before the date fixed for public hearing.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 16th day of November 2015.
ORDINANCES

These ordinances are published in this issue of the Official Gazette pursuant to passage by the Spokane City Council. It should be noted that these ordinances may be subject to veto by the Mayor. If an ordinance is vetoed by the Mayor, the Mayoral veto will be published in a subsequent issue of the Official Gazette.

REPUBLICATION OF ORDINANCE C35310

Ordinance C35310 is being republished below, along with the Mayor’s veto message on Ordinance C35310. The Spokane City Council, during its regularly scheduled 6:00 p.m. Legislative Session on November 16, 2015, took action (upon a 5-1 roll call vote in the affirmative, with Council Member Fagan voting “no” and Council Member Allen absent) to override the Mayor’s veto of Ordinance C35310.

Mayor David A. Condon

November 16, 2015

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VETO Message on Ordinance C-35310 amending the text of the City of Spokane Comprehensive Plan chapter 3, Land Use, adopting a new policy entitled “LU LX Mobile Home Parks.”

To the City Clerk, Honorable President and Members, Spokane City Council:

Affordable housing is an important concern in Spokane. More information and greater analysis is needed to make a decision that amends the Comprehensive Plan. There are recent examples of good public process that will help us achieve the necessary level of study and make this important decision based upon thorough evaluation. I am, therefore, returning herewith, with my veto, Ordinance C35310.

I am vetoing this measure because I support the significant time and effort the City’s Plan Commission invested on this subject and agree with their recommendation, by a vote of 5-1, to deny the proposed amendment at this time and to include a housing review program on the Commission’s 2016 Work Program. The Plan Commission’s recommendation was based on their conclusion that there is not enough information available to make a decision on the merits of the proposal, or to determine whether the proposal further the City’s affordable housing goals.

I would also like to discuss the Plan Commission’s authority and its advisory role as outlined in the City Charter, which grants the commission “the power to investigate and make recommendations to the City Council in relation to all matters pertaining to the living conditions of the City.” The Plan Commission role and processes work well when they are given the opportunity to investigate the issues surrounding a subject area, gather research and the public input needed to be able to make informed recommendations on these important policy matters. The recent public process that created the Water System Plan and the Cell Tower Ordinance revisions are good examples of the Plan Commission and public being able to develop solutions to the City’s problems and better illustrates the role of the Plan Commission as provided in the City’s Charter.

As requested by the Plan Commission, the City is conducting a housing review that will evaluate the progress toward reaching all of the housing goals. This will inform what policy changes will be needed to reach the City’s housing goals, including but not limited to, mobile/manufactured homes and mobile/manufactured home parks.

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ORDINANCE NO. C35310

AN ORDINANCE amending the text of the City of Spokane Comprehensive Plan chapter 3, Land Use, adopting a new policy entitled “LU 1.X Mobile Home Parks.”

WHEREAS, in compliance with the Washington State Growth Management Act, chapter 36.70A RCW (the “GMA”), the City of Spokane adopted a Comprehensive Plan on May 21, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the GMA requires continuing review and evaluation of the Comprehensive Plan and contemplates an annual amendment process for incorporating necessary and appropriate revisions to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.070(2)(c), the GMA requires jurisdictions to identify sufficient land for manufactured housing; and

WHEREAS, according to a June 2007 publication by the Washington State Housing Finance Commission (“Manufactured Housing Community Article”), manufactured housing communities are one of the largest sources of unsubsidized affordable housing in Washington State and provide affordable housing for about 500,000 people, or approximately 8 percent of Washington’s residents, many of them elderly; and

WHEREAS, according to the Manufactured Housing Community Article, in Washington State, approximately 143 communities have closed in the 15 years prior to 2007, displacing more than 4,000 families, and between May 2006 and December 2007, another 38 communities closed, displacing another 1,400 households; and

WHEREAS, for a majority of the residents displaced by manufactured home park community closures, residents may likely lose their homes because many older “mobile Homes” cannot be moved and must be demolished at the homeowner’s expense; and

WHEREAS, even when a mobile home can be moved, the homeowners often cannot find another park with room for their home; and

WHEREAS, while these communities continue to close in Washington, it is believed few are opening to take their place; and

WHEREAS, no new mobile/manufactured home parks have been proposed in Spokane for over a decade; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to GMA’s requirement to identify sufficient land for manufactured housing, the City Council previously adopted Resolution 2014-0103 requesting a Comprehensive Plan Amendment in 2015 that would establish a policy of preserving manufactured housing as an affordable housing option in the City of Spokane; and

WHEREAS, following the City Council’s adoption of Resolution 2014-0103, the City Council submitted an application seeking to amend Comprehensive Plan Chapter 3, Land Use, to add a new policy to designate appropriate areas for the preservation of mobile and manufactured home parks; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment does not seek to designate any particular mobile or manufactured home park or property for preservation but instead will establish a forum for exploring feasible methods for ensuring a sufficient supply of land for mobile and manufactured home parks in the future and for preserving mobile and manufactured home parks as an affordable housing option in the City of Spokane; and

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Condon
Mayor
WHEREAS, an annual survey of manufactured home parks conducted by the City of Spokane reported a total of 1,174 units in 19 manufactured home parks inside the City in 2015; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 Spokane area 80 percent median income limit used by the U.S. Housing and Urban Development Department to define a low-income, two-person family is $41,300 annually; and

WHEREAS, the Spokane County Assessor’s office reported in 2015 that 279 households within manufactured home parks in the city of Spokane participated in a homeowner property tax relief program for seniors and persons with disabilities with annual household incomes of less than $35,000; such household income is less than the defined limit for area low-income families of any size; and

WHEREAS, the rate of participating households in property tax relief for seniors and persons with disabilities per residence type, based on the total of 1,174 units in the city’s manufactured home parks, is more than three times the rate reported for other owner-occupied housing types in the city; and

WHEREAS, the high use of property tax relief by occupants in manufactured home parks in the city of Spokane indicates that those occupants are more likely to be seniors or disabled and have lower household income than people within the general population of the city; and

WHEREAS, manufactured home parks are a source of affordable single-family and senior housing to low-income households in Spokane; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Department of Commerce reported in March 2015 that the Manufactured Housing Relocation Fund was sufficient to reimburse only 89 low-income applicants statewide; and

WHEREAS, under current funding levels for the Washington Manufactured Housing Relocation Fund, increases in manufactured home park closures elsewhere in the state could increase the time by which local homeowners affected by a park closure would wait for reimbursement in the event of a park closure in the city of Spokane; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment is consistent with GMA’s requirement that jurisdictions subject to the GMA must have a Comprehensive Plan that “…identifies sufficient land for housing, including, but not limited to, government-assisted housing, housing for low-income families, manufactured housing, multifamily housing, and group homes and foster care facilities;” [RCW 36.70A.070(2)(c)]; and

WHEREAS, the amendment is consistent with planning Goal #4 of the Growth Management Act: “Housing. Encourage the availability of affordable housing to all economic segments of the population of this State; promote a variety of residential densities and housing types; and encourage preservation of existing housing stock.” [RCW 36.70A.020]; and

WHEREAS, the amendment is consistent with Goal H 1, Affordable Housing, of the City of Spokane Comprehensive Plan to provide sufficient housing for the current and future population that is appropriate, safe, and affordable for all income levels; and

WHEREAS, the preservation of manufactured home parks will help to maintain a sufficient amount of manufactured homes and other types of affordable housing units for the current and future population; and

WHEREAS, the State Housing Trust Fund has diminished in size; and

WHEREAS, the number of vacant affordable rentals available to low-income families reported by the Spokane Low Income Housing Consortium among its member housing providers has declined since 2011, the number of vacant units decreasing from 162 to 74 over that period, despite an increase in the combined number of occupied and vacant units offered by these providers, from 2,413 units to 3,210 units (2,371 of which are located in the city of Spokane); and

WHEREAS, the amendment is consistent with Comprehensive Plan Policy H 1.9, Low-Income Housing Development, to support and assist the public and private sectors in developing low-income or subsidized housing for households that cannot compete in the market for housing by using federal, state, and local aid; and

WHEREAS, the amendment is consistent with Comprehensive Plan Goal H 2, Housing Choice and Diversity, to increase the number of housing alternatives within all areas of the city to help meet the changing needs and preferences of a diverse population; and
WHEREAS, the preservation of manufactured home parks is consistent with Comprehensive Plan Policy H 2.2, Senior Housing, in that it would retain manufactured housing among other forms in the city’s housing stock as one alternative that allows senior homeowners to age in place; and

WHEREAS, the amendment is consistent with Comprehensive Plan Policy 3.3, Housing Preservation, to encourage preservation of viable housing; and

WHEREAS, manufactured home parks in Spokane exist in areas designated for residential, industrial and commercial use; and

WHEREAS, the preservation of manufactured home parks in certain areas may not be appropriate due to the community’s expected transition of the property to other uses, or for other reasons which may be determined; and

WHEREAS, Spokane Municipal Code chapter 17G.020 “Comprehensive Plan Amendment Procedure” identifies terms and conditions for Comprehensive Plan amendments; and

WHEREAS, staff requested comments from agencies and departments on January 22, 2015, and a public comment period ran from March 9 to May 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Spokane City Plan Commission held workshops regarding this proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment on April 8, July 22, and August 26, 2015; and

WHEREAS, stakeholder group meetings regarding the text amendment were held on June 17 and July 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Checklist and Determination of Non-Significance were released on September 4, 2015 for the Comprehensive Plan text changes. The public comment period for the SEPA determination ended on September 23, 2015; and

WHEREAS, notice of the SEPA Checklist and Determination, the text amendment, and announcement of the September 23, 2015 Plan Commission Public Hearing were published in the Spokesman-Review on September 9 and 16, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Commerce and appropriate state agencies were given the required 60-day notice on September 14, 2015, before adoption of proposed changes to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Plan Commission conducted a public hearing and deliberated on September 23, 2015, for the Application Z1400065COMP and other proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission voted 5 to 1 to recommend denial of Application Z1400065COMP, and further recommended that a Plan Commission housing review program should be put on the 2016 Plan Commission work program; and

WHEREAS, the Spokane City Council held a public hearing on the proposed text amendment on November 2, 2015, to accept public testimony relating to this matter; and

WHEREAS, after this amendment to the Comprehensive Plan is enacted by the City Council, it is anticipated that the City will conduct a public process to determine what implementation strategy to pursue, and whether or not that strategy will involve any change to local development regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission and City Council will both hold public hearings on any future proposed amendments to the Unified Development Code; and

WHEREAS, the Spokane City Council, after considering all of the testimony and evidence, finds the proposed text amendment Application Z1400065COMP supports the health, safety, and welfare and is in the best interest of the residents of the City of Spokane; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment does not designate any particular mobile or manufactured home park(s) or property for preservation but instead establishes a forum for exploring feasible approaches to ensuring a sufficient supply of land for mobile and manufactured home parks in the future and for preserving mobile and manufactured home parks as an affordable housing option in the City of Spokane; and
WHEREAS, the City Council adopts the recitals set forth herein as its findings and conclusions in support of its adoption of this ordinance and further adopts the findings, conclusions from the Planning and Development Staff Report for the same purposes; -- Now, Therefore,

The City of Spokane does ordain:

Section 1. That Application Z1400065COMP is approved.

Section 2. That the text of Chapter 3, Land Use, of the City of Spokane Comprehensive Plan is amended to read as follows:

LU 1.X Mobile Home Parks
Designate appropriate areas for the preservation of mobile and manufactured home parks.

Discussion: Manufactured and/or mobile home parks provide affordable housing to many city residents. In many cases, they provide the opportunity of home ownership to households which cannot afford to purchase other types of housing. When existing manufactured home parks are redeveloped, many homeowners are unable to move their homes to other sites. Additionally, redeveloped mobile and manufactured home parks are generally not replaced by new parks within the city, resulting in a net loss of this type of housing.

Passed by City Council November 2, 2015
Delivered to Mayor November 5, 2015
Mayoral Veto Received November 16, 2015
Veto Overridden by Council November 16, 2015

ORDINANCE NO. C3519.

An ordinance relating to the parking system fund and Parking Advisory Committee; amending SMC section 07.08.130.

The City of Spokane does ordain:

Section 1. That section 07.08.130 of the Spokane Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Section 07.08.130 Parking System Fund

A. There is created and shall be maintained in the office of the City Treasurer a special revenue fund designated the “parking system fund." All City parking revenue from on and off street meter systems, miscellaneous parking fees, permits, etc., along with other sums appropriated in the budget from the City general fund shall be deposited into the fund upon receipt. ((For the remainder of 2013, all parking infraction revenue collected over and above the budgeted infraction revenues for the year (one million four hundred fifty-five thousand dollars) shall be deposited in the fund. Starting in 2014, an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of the parking infraction revenue collected, less the expenditures of the municipal court parking violations program from the prior calendar year, will be transferred from the general fund to the parking system fund.

B. Money deposited into the fund shall be accumulated or expended to pay for operations and maintenance of the parking system, to include parking enforcement and collections, the parking violation system and to maintain, improve, and enhance the customer environment in those areas where parking revenue is generated within the City.

C. City Council priorities for expenditures from the parking system fund are parking system investments, parking environment improvements, administration, and safety and security of the parking system. For purposes of this section, “parking environment” shall mean all infrastructure in the public right-of-way that contributes to the interface between the downtown resident, visitor or worker and the downtown built environment. This infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, parking stalls, payment systems, parking asset management, streetscapes (including landscaping and pedestrian lighting investments), street furniture, wayfinding systems, public safety, vehicle, bicycle, and pedestrian rights-of-way, public spaces, gateways and all other aspects of downtown common areas, which contribute to the overall experience of downtown.

D. Parking Advisory Committee.
1. A thirteen-member parking advisory committee, formed by the Downtown Spokane Partnership, will be created to advise the City on investments in the parking environment, policy, and rate-setting as informed by the downtown parking study. The committee shall be facilitated by Business Improvement District staff and shall be composed of the following (will contain representation from a variety of downtown) stakeholders to be appointed by the City Council; including one (1) downtown property owner, one (1) owner of a large downtown business, one (1) owner of a downtown small business, one (1) resident of downtown, one (1) downtown worker, one (1) designee from Spokane Transit Authority, one (1) representative of the Arts community; three (3) members chosen at the discretion of the Business Improvement District; two (2) city council members in non-voting, ex officio roles; and the (1) Parking Services Manager in a non-voting, ex officio role. The committee members shall serve staggered terms of three (3) years. The committee chair shall be elected by a vote of the committee and shall serve a (1) year term, however, the Committee may vote to extend the chairperson’s term by (1) additional year.

2. The Committee shall propose to the City Council, on an annual basis, a set of recommended projects to improve the downtown parking environment, guidance on parking rate-setting, and other public policy recommendations concerning the downtown parking system, as well as a description and analysis of the outcomes of the prior years’ parking fund investments.

3. In forming its recommendations, the Parking Advisory Committee shall observe the following process:
   a. City Council and the City administration, though their ex-officio Committee positions, shall provide the Committee with priorities for the Committee’s consideration during their annual project planning process.
   b. With consideration given to the input received in this process from City Council and the Administration, The Committee shall develop an annual recommended budget and capital project list for the parking system fund, will be created by the asset management department in conjunction with the advisory committee recommendations and approved annually by the city council. This list will be presented to the City Council on or before November 1 of each year. The City Council shall then consider for approval the list of projects and recommended investments as part of the normal annual budget process. Projects will be placed in the six-year capital program as needed. The parking advisory committee and city staff will report annually on outcomes of parking fund investments.
   c. (The City Council, staff) the parking advisory committee, in collaboration with City Council and staff Committee designees, will develop a set of indicators that will track downtown vitality as a result of improvements made from parking system fund investments. These data will be available in the annual report.
   d. Notwithstanding any other recommendations or policy suggestions, the committee shall include the following goals in its report and track their progress: (1) the establishment of a parking system fund reserve of $500,000, and (2) the set-aside of not less than ten percent (10%) of the parking system fund for the support of emergency projects in the downtown parking environment.

E. In 2014, the annual cost of two dedicated downtown neighborhood conditions (NCO) police officers will be funded out of parking system revenues. In 2015, the annual cost of one NCO officer will be funded out of parking system revenues.

E. Any available parking funds must first be used to cover the debt service on Series 2005B LTGO bonds or any subsequent refinancing of these bonds.

Passed by City Council November 16, 2015
Delivered to Mayor November 23, 2015
Job Opportunities

The City of Spokane is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer

POLICE CAPTAIN SPN 917
Promotional Examination

DATE OPEN: Monday, November 30, 2015
DATE CLOSED: Sunday, December 13, 2015 at 11:59 p.m.
SALARY: $140,209 annual salary, payable bi-weekly, to a maximum of $153,447

Summary of Work
Performs responsible command-level work in directing the activities of a major division of the Police Department.

Minimum Qualifications

Experience:
Two years of service with the City in the classification of Police Lieutenant.

Certification:
Must obtain the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission Mid-Management Career Level Certification within the probationary period.
Must be Certified by the Police Physician as physically fit to perform such duty.

License:
Applicants must possess a valid driver's license.

Procedural Note: Selection of a Senior Administrative Assistant, Rule V, Section 5, Rules of the Civil Service Commission, applies.

Examination Details:
Applicants must meet the minimum qualifications and pass the examination for this position to be eligible for promotion. The examination will consist of a training and experience evaluation (T&E) with scoring weight assigned as follows:

- T&E: 100%

T&E EVALUATION DETAILS
The T&E examination consists of a Supplemental Questionnaire. The questions may be viewed online under the tab marked "QUESTIONS" on the job announcement page. The T&E must be submitted online at the time of application. All applicants must complete and submit a City of Spokane employment application online by 11:59 p.m. on the closing date.

- Responses to your T&E questions should be consistent with the information given in your application details, and are subject to verification.
- Failure to complete all of the questions or incomplete responses will result in a lower score; therefore, it is advantageous for you to provide a full and complete response to each supplemental question.
- Resumes or questionnaires uploaded as attachments to the application will not be accepted in lieu of completing each question online.
- "See Resume" or "See above", etc. are not qualifying responses and will not be considered.
- Changes or corrections to your responses cannot be made once your application packet has been submitted. Duplicate applications will be disqualified
- TIP: It may be more efficient to develop your responses in a word processing document and then paste them into the online questionnaire to be submitted.

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.

How to Apply
APPLICATIONS MUST BE FILED ONLINE AT: http://my.spokanecity.org/jobs
Copies of required additional documents may be attached to your application or submitted via any of the following:
- Email: civilservice@spokanecity.org with Job Title – Applicant Name in the Subject line of the email
- In person or mail to: Civil Service Commission, 4th Floor-City Hall, 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd., Spokane, WA 99201
- Fax: 509.625.6077

For more information, call Civil Service Commission at 509.625.6160.
FIREFIGHTER SPN 931
Open Entry

DATE OPEN: Monday, November 16, 2015
DATE CLOSED: Sunday, November 29, 2015 at 11:59 p.m.
SALARY: $39,651 annual salary, payable bi-weekly, to a maximum of $78,362

Summary of Work
**Now accepting applications from candidates who have taken and passed the Public Safety Testing, Inc. exam for the City of Spokane as of November 9, 2015.**

Performs general duty firefighting work in the preventing, combating, and extinguishing of fires and emergency medical functions.

Minimum Qualifications
Open Entry (Must be met at time of application.)
• **Education and Experience:** High school diploma or equivalent. No previous experience necessary.

NOTE: Applicants must have successfully completed Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training and be eligible for Washington State EMT certification at the time of interview. APPLICANTS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE EMT TRAINING OR POSSESS EMT CERTIFICATION AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION OR EXAMINATION.

• Paramedic applicants – In addition to the above requirements, paramedic applicants must currently possess the National Registry Paramedic credential or Washington State Paramedic license at the time of interview. (See procedural requirements below.)

Licenses and Certifications (Applies to all applicants.)
• Possession of a valid driver's license.

Procedural Requirements: Applicants will specify the certifications for which they are qualified. The Fire Department will specify on their requisitions the certifications required to fill a vacant position and only those on the eligible list meeting such specification shall be certified.

NOTE: Minimum medical and health standards for this classification are established by state laws. All successful candidates who have been offered a position will be required to pass the necessary examinations prior to appointment.

Examination Details:
Firefighter applicants must pass the Public Safety Testing, Inc., examination to be eligible for hire by the City of Spokane. After you have completed the PST exam, you must apply through the City website for review and placement on the eligible list.

If you have not already taken the PST exam, you may sign up at www.publicsafetytesting.com.

The City of Spokane offers one free test per year for those who apply only to the City of Spokane and take the test on the designated "free testing" date at the Spokane, Wash., location.

NOTE: The designated "free testing" date has already occurred for 2015. The standard PST written test cost is $44, which allows applicants to choose up to 2 agencies to receive their results. Applicants may select more agencies at a cost of $15 for every two additional agencies. Applicants who apply to other agencies than the City of Spokane, or who take the test at a date or location other than the designated free test date in Spokane, are responsible for all costs incurred.

Additional examinations shall be administered as applications are received with results merged into one eligible list according to final ratings, pursuant to the Merit System Rules of the Civil Service Commission: Rule IV, Section 13 – Continuous Examinations.

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.

How to Apply
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Copies of required additional documents may be attached to your application or submitted via any of the following:
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• Fax: 509.625.6077

For more information, call Civil Service Commission at 509.625.6160.
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

RISK MANAGEMENT BROKER SERVICES

City of Spokane Finance Division

RFP #4175-15

Sealed Proposals will be acknowledged at the 1:15 p.m. public bid opening on MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015, in the Council Chambers, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane, Washington 99201, for Risk Management Broker Services for the City of Spokane Finance 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, December 7, 2015. 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. Only firm Proposals with signatures will be evaluated.

Submit one (1) paper original, one (1) paper copy, and one (1) reproducible digital copy (CD or thumb drive) 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 bidding. Special attention will be directed to the qualifications of the Proposer when considering this contract.

All response packages are to be clearly marked with:
“RFP #4175-15, RISK MANAGEMENT BROKER SERVICES, DUE 12/7/2015”

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

Publish: November 25 & December 2, 2015

FORD TRANSIT CARGO VAN or equal
Fleet Services Department

BID #4211-15

Sealed bids will be opened at 1:15 p.m., MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2015 in the Council Chambers, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane, Washington 99201, for three (3) FORD TRANSIT CARGO VANS or equal for the City of Spokane Fleet Services Department.

Detailed specifications and proposal forms are available from the City of Spokane Purchasing, by contacting Thea Prince at purchasinghelp@spokanecity.org
Bid proposal forms may be submitted to City Purchasing 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 copy to:

Purchasing
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.

BID AWARD WILL BE TO THE LOW RESPONSIVE BIDDER WITHOUT CONSIDERATION OF SALES TAX.

Envelope containing proposal is to be marked:
“FORD TRANSIT CARGO VANS or equal, BID #4211-15 DUE 11/30/15”.

Thea Prince
Purchasing Division

November 18 & 25, 2015

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SURVEYING SERVICES FOR 2016-2017 FEDERAL AID PROJECTS
City of Spokane Engineering Services

RFQ #4213-15

Sealed Statement of Qualification Proposals will be acknowledged at the 1:15 p.m. public bid opening on MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015, in the Council Chambers, 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane, Washington 99201, for Surveying Services for 2015-2017 Federal Aid Projects for the City of Spokane Engineering Services Department.

The Request for Qualifications 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.

Statement of Qualification Proposal documents should be submitted to City of Spokane Purchasing no later than 1:00 p.m. on Monday, December 7, 2015. Statement of Qualification 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 Statement of Qualification Proposals delivered late. Only firm Statement of Qualification Proposals with signatures will be evaluated.

Submit one (1) paper original, three (3) paper copies, and one (1) reproducible digital copy (CD or thumb drive) of the Statement of Qualification 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 Statement of Qualification Proposals and to waive any informalities in the bidding. Special attention will be directed to the qualifications of the Proposer when considering this contract.

All response packages are to be clearly marked with:
“RFQ #4213-15 SURVEYING SERVICES FOR 2016-2017 FEDERAL AID PROJECTS, DUE 12/7/2015”

Connie Wahl
City of Spokane Purchasing

November 18 & 25, 2015