Notice of Application and SEPA Review



Request for Public Comments FILE NO. Z20-045COMP, Transportation Text Amendment Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map Amendment Proposal

DATE: June 8, 2020

Notice is hereby given that the Spokane City Council has proposed a text amendment to Chapter 4, Transportation, of the Spokane Comprehensive Plan. The proposal was accepted into the work program for full review and consideration on March 2, 2020. The City is now seeking comments from the public regarding the proposal, detailed below. Any person may submit written comments on the proposed actions or call for additional information:

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- **PROPOSAL:** Amendment of Chapter 4, Transportation, of the Comprehensive Plan highlighting the need for enhanced safety features at at-grade railway crossings in the City of Spokane and delineating locations where safety improvements may be necessary. No actual construction is proposed at this time.
- APPLICANT/AGENT: Ms. Inga Note, Integrated Capital Management
 - **LOCATION:** The proposal is a city-wide text amendment and would affect various locations throughout the City. Details on the specific amendments to be made to the text will be made available at the website identified below.
 - **SEPA:** This proposal for a non-project action will be reviewed pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) under Spokane Municipal Code Section 17E.050. The Environmental Checklist is available for review at the website identified below.

http://my.spokanecity.org/projects/2019-2020-proposed-comprehensive-plan-amendments/

COMMENT NEEDED BY 5 PM on August 7, 2020.

Written comments received at the address above will be made a part of the public record and will be provided to all decision making bodies during the consideration process. This includes the Spokane Plan Commission and the Spokane City Council. Please note, only the applicant, persons submitting written comments and persons testifying at a hearing likely have standing to appeal the ultimate decision of the City Council.

PLAN COMMISSION: The Spokane Plan Commission will hold a public workshop to review the proposed amendment sometime during the public comment period. This workshop will be available to attend online via the WebEx software. See the project website listed at the bottom of this page for the date of the Plan Commission workshop and instructions on how to connect to the meeting.

While the public is encouraged to attend, please note that public testimony is not taken during the Plan Commission Workshop. At the completion of the comment period, a hearing before the Plan Commission will be scheduled, during which the public will be given an opportunity to testify.

The Plan Commission meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month, starting at 2PM. Please see the following website for more information on the Plan Commission and their meetings:

www.spokanecity.org/bcc/commissions/plan-commission/

NOTICING: As a city-sponsored application affecting the entire City, this **Notice of Application** will be posted online, published in the newspaper, published in the Official Gazette, and emailed to every neighborhood council in the City.

Furthermore, presentation will be made to the Community Assembly and the Land Use Subcommittee of the Community Assembly during the comment period. For more information in the Community Assembly and its subcommittees, see the following webpage:

www.spokanecity.org/neighborhoods/community-assembly/

PROCESS: All nine of the Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposals accepted for consideration this year will be subject to a Plan Commission Hearing, during which the Spokane Plan Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council. Following the Plan Commission Hearing, all nine will be considered by the Spokane City Council in a public hearing, expected in fall or early winter of 2020. Both hearings will be noticed twice in advance on both the Spokane Official Gazette and in the Spokesman Review. Furthermore, anyone submitting written comment on the proposals will receive notice of future hearing directly.

Check the project website for updates during the process:

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