

## Notice of Application, Public Hearing and SEPA Determination City of Spokane

The Spokane City Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, **May 12, 2021, at 4:00 PM**, online via the WebEx Meetings software and over the phone, to hear public testimony related to the Spokane Downtown Plan.

Any person may submit written comments on the proposed actions, appear at the public hearing, or call for additional information:

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The draft plan document and other documents relating to this subarea plan amendment are available for viewing at the City of Spokane webpage for the proposal: <https://my.spokanecity.org/projects/>

Location: The new Spokane Downtown Plan document provides policy guidance for the City of Spokane 2021 Downtown Planning Area (a subarea of the Comprehensive Plan) and is effective area-wide. The new area incorporates the area of both the 2008 Downtown Plan and the 2020 South University District Subarea Plan: Boone Ave to the **north**; Interstate 90 to the **south**; BNSF Railway/Maple St/Cedar St/Adams St to the **west**; parcels fronting Ruby St, a parcel fronting North River Dr, the Spokane River, a line extended from Scott St, BNSF Railway, and Interstate 90 Exit 282 (Hamilton St interchange) westbound on-ramp to the **east**. Map available online at <http://my.spokanecity.org/projects/downtown-plan-update/>

Description of Proposal: The City of Spokane is proposing an amendment of the Comprehensive Plan through repealing and replacing the 2008 Downtown Plan: *Fast Forward Spokane: Downtown Plan Update*. The new subarea plan is a component of the existing Comprehensive Plan when adopted by reference. Designated for the Plan Commission's work program by City Council Resolution 2019-0010, the Spokane Downtown Plan includes a vision for future development and identifies five overarching goal categories, which contain specific policies and actions that reflect a public participation process since 2019. The policies and actions set by the new subarea plan are consistent with the direction of the Comprehensive Plan.

SEPA: A Determination of Non Significance was issued on April 28, 2021 under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for at least 14 days. Comments regarding this DNS and environmental issues must be submitted no later than **12:00 PM May 12, 2021, if they are intended to alter the DNS.**

Written comments and oral testimony at the public hearing will be made part of the public record. **Only the applicant, persons submitting written comments, and persons testifying at a hearing may appeal the decision of the Plan Commission and City Council.**

How to Attend the Meeting: Due to the need for social distancing and because City Hall remains closed to the public, the Hearing will be held online using the WebEx Meetings teleconference platform. People may also call in by phone to hear and testify. Access the **meeting link** and **call-in information** at the

agenda posted one week in advance on the Commission's website:  
<https://my.spokanecity.org/bcc/commissions/plan-commission/>

Additionally, interested persons can contact staff at the contact info above to request connection information or submit written comment by email or mail.

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