


Agenda Sheet for City Council Meeting of:

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9/18/2023

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RES 2023-0084

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Resolutions

Requisition #**Agenda Item Name**

0320 - AMENDING PLAN COMMISSION WORK PLAN

Agenda Wording

Amending Plan Commission 2022-2023 Work Plan to add consideration of changing 29th Avenue between Martin and Fiske to a "Pedestrian Street" under local code.

Summary (Background)

This resolution adds an additional item concerning 29th Avenue. The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council has determined that an immediate priority for the neighborhood was designation of 29th Avenue from Martin Street to Fiske Street as a "Pedestrian Street" pursuant to SMC 17A.020.160. It was agreed to add this item to the current plan rather than wait for a newer work plan in 2024 (it can be carried over into the new plan when that is adopted)

Lease? NO

Grant related? NO

Public Works? NO

Fiscal Impact**Budget Account**

Neutral \$

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Approvals**Council Notifications****Dept Head**

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Committee Agenda Sheet

Urban Experience Committee

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| Submitting Department | City Council |
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| Council Sponsor(s) | CM Wilkerson |
| Select Agenda Item Type | <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion Time Requested: 10 minutes |
| Agenda Item Name | Resolution adding the designation of 29 th Avenue as a “pedestrian Street” to the 2022—23 work plan for the Plan Commission. |
| Summary (Background) *use the Fiscal Impact box below for relevant financial information | <p>Pursuant to SMC 4.12.080, the City Council adopts by resolution an annual work program for the Plan Commission and assigns to it certain policy and planning issues for consideration. The last current workplan was adopted by resolution on October 24, 2022 and later amended earlier this year with the addition of two items.</p> <p>This resolution adds an additional item concerning 29th Avenue. The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council has determined that an immediate priority for the neighborhood was designation of 29th Avenue from Martin Street to Fiske Street as a “Pedestrian Street” pursuant to SMC 17A.020.160.</p> <p>After discussion with Planning Services director, it was agreed to add this item to the current plan rather than wait for a newer work plan in 2024 (it can be carried over into the new plan when that is adopted by the Council).</p> <p>The Lincoln Heights neighborhood council and the Spokane South Hill Coalition has been engaged in extensive planning for the area since at least 2014. They developed a Connectivity and Livability Strategic Plan for Spokane’s south hill region, which included the goal of a more pedestrian and less auto-centric development of the Lincoln Heights area. Later, in 2016, the neighborhood council developed the Lincoln Heights District Center Plan, which included specific recommendations for making the business core of Lincoln Heights more pedestrian-friendly and less dependent on automobile transportation. The designation of 129th Avenue as a “pedestrian Street” under the SMC is an important step in that effort.</p> <p>The resolution is consistent both with area planning for Lincoln Heights and current comprehensive plan provisions.</p> |
| Proposed Council Action | <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution Committee review: UE 09-11-23 Advance / Final Agenda: 09-18-23 Council Action: 09-18-23. |
| Fiscal Impact Total Cost: <u>Unknown</u> Approved in current year budget? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A |

Funding Source One-time Recurring

Specify funding source: Opioid settlement funds

Expense Occurrence One-time Recurring

Other budget impacts: (revenue generating, match requirements, etc.)

Operations Impacts (If N/A, please give a brief description as to why)

The resolution adds an additional work item to the Plan Commission’s agenda. Adding the item to the work plan assumes that city planning staff will need to research and support the Plan Commission’s review of the designation of 29th Avenue from Martin Street to Fiske Street as a pedestrian street. Precise direct and indirect cost of that review is unknown at this time.

What impacts would the proposal have on historically excluded communities?

An important component of the City’s comprehensive plan is “Social Health,” an element that ensures that long-term planning includes a discussion and specific goals to enhance “qualitative” life in the city, and specific goals to encourage diversity in each neighborhood. It is expected that review of the proposal by the Plan Commission will identify whether the proposal to designate 29th Avenue as a “Pedestrian Street” serves those goals.

How will data be collected, analyzed, and reported concerning the effect of the program/policy by racial, ethnic, gender identity, national origin, income level, disability, sexual orientation, or other existing disparities?

Not applicable

How will data be collected regarding the effectiveness of this program, policy or product to ensure it is the right solution?

Plan Commission review is expected to identify benefits and downsides of designation of 29th Avenue as a “Pedestrian Street” under the land use code.

Describe how this proposal aligns with current City Policies, including the Comprehensive Plan, Sustainability Action Plan, Capital Improvement Program, Neighborhood Master Plans, Council Resolutions, and others?

The resolution is consistent with the City’s Comprehensive Plan, including policies and goals to enhance pedestrian safety and access within and around designated Centers, especially policies LU 2.2, LU 3.2, LU 4.1, LU 4.2, and TR 6. It is consistent with the 2014 Connectivity and Livability Strategic Plan (the “Strategic Plan”) for Spokane’s south hill region and the 2016 Lincoln Heights District Center Plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-0084

A resolution adding a Lincoln Heights project to the Spokane Plan Commission's 2022-2023 Work Program.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Spokane City Charter Section 127 and Spokane Municipal Code Section 4.12.080, the City Council adopts by resolution an annual work program which assigns certain policy and planning issues for consideration by the Plan Commission; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2022-0091, passed by the City Council on October 24, 2022 and later amended in 2023 by Resolution 2023-0041, established a work program for the Plan Commission for the years 2022-2023 and further committed to reviewing the work program periodically to determine if further revisions are necessary; and

WHEREAS, the area centered on 29th Avenue and Regal Street in the Lincoln Heights neighborhood is designated a District Center in the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan includes policies and goals to enhance pedestrian safety and access within and around designated Centers, especially policies LU 2.2, LU 3.2, LU 4.1, LU 4.2, and TR 6; and

WHEREAS, the Spokane South Hill Coalition in June 2014 adopted a Connectivity and Livability Strategic Plan (the "Strategic Plan") for Spokane's south hill region, including Lincoln Heights neighborhood, which included the goal of a more pedestrian and less auto-centric development of the Lincoln Heights area; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the Strategic Plan, the Lincoln Heights neighborhood developed the Lincoln Heights District Center Plan ("District Plan") in June 2016, which included specific recommendations for making the business core of Lincoln Heights more pedestrian-friendly and less dependent on automobile transportation, and included specific recommendations for alterations to 29th Avenue to improve pedestrian safety and walkability; and

WHEREAS, on September 4, 2023 the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council reviewed the recommendations in the District Plan, and determined that an immediate priority for the neighborhood was designation of 29th Avenue from Martin Street to Fiske Street as a "Pedestrian Street" pursuant to SMC 17A.020.160; and


WHEREAS, designation of 29th Avenue from Martin Street to Fiske Street as a "Pedestrian Street" on the Official Zoning Map will ensure that commercial and residential development along 29th Avenue supports a walkable environment and furthers the goals of the Comprehensive Plan and previous neighborhood planning efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that an additional item is added to the Spokane Plan Commission's Work Program for 2022-2023, including a review of

designation of 29th Avenue from Martin Street to Fiske Street as a "Pedestrian Street" pursuant to SMC 17A.040.040(A).

Adopted by the Spokane City Council this 2nd day of October, 2023.

Attest:



City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Assistant City Attorney

