

City of Spokane

Planning and
Development



General Application

SUBMIT

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:

City of Spokane Comprehensive Plan text amendments to Chapter 4, Transportation, and amendments to Map TR 2, Planned Bikeway Network Map, to revise the Master Bike Plan.

ADDRESS OF SITE OF PROPOSAL: (if not assigned yet, obtain address from Public Works before submitting application)

The revisions do not affect one site in particular.

APPLICANT:

Name: City of Spokane Planning and Development Department

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Phone (home):

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Email address: ngwinn@spokanecity.org

PROPERTY OWNER:

Name: No particular property owners are directly affected by this proposal.

Address:

Phone (home):

Phone (work):

Email address:

AGENT:

Name:

Address:

Phone (home):

Phone (work):

Email address:

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBERS:

This is not a parcel specific proposal.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF SITE:

N/A

SIZE OF PROPERTY:

N/A

LIST SPECIFIC PERMITS REQUESTED IN THIS APPLICATION:

No other permits are required with this application.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT Please check the appropriate box(es):

(Inconsistent Amendments will only be processed every other year beginning in 2005.)

- Comprehensive Plan Text Change Land Use Designation Change
 Regulatory Code Text Change Area-wide Rezone

Please respond to these questions on a separate piece of paper. Incomplete answers may jeopardize your application's chances of being reviewed during this amendment cycle.

1. General Questions (for all proposals):

- a. Describe the nature of the proposed amendment and explain why the change is necessary.
- b. How will the proposed change provide a substantial benefit to the public?
- c. Is this application consistent or inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan goals, objectives and policies? Describe and attach a copy of any study, report or data, which has been developed that supports the proposed change and any relevant conclusions. If inconsistent please discuss how the analysis demonstrates that changed conditions have occurred which will necessitate a shift in goals and policies.
- d. Is this application consistent or inconsistent with the goals and policies of state and federal legislation, such as the Growth Management Act (GMA) or environmental regulations? If inconsistent, describe the changed community needs or priorities that justify such an amendment and provide supporting documents, reports or studies.
- e. Is this application consistent with the Countywide Planning Policies (CWPP), the comprehensive plans of neighboring jurisdictions, applicable capital facilities or special district plans, the Regional Transportation Improvement District, and official population growth forecasts? If inconsistent please describe the changed regional needs or priorities that justify such an amendment and provide supporting documents, reports or studies.
- f. Are there any infrastructure implications that will require financial commitments reflected in the Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan?
- g. Will this proposal require an amendment to any supporting documents, such as development regulations, Capital Facilities Program, Shoreline Master Program, Downtown Plan, critical areas regulations, any neighborhood planning documents adopted after 2001, or the Parks Plan? If yes, please describe and reference the specific portion of the affected plan, policy or regulation.
- h. If this proposal is to modify an Urban Growth Area (UGA) boundary, please provide a density and population growth trend analysis. Changes to the Urban Growth Area may occur only every five years and when the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) reviews all UGA's countywide.

2. For Text Amendments:

- a. Please provide a detailed description and explanation of the proposed text amendment. Show proposed edits in "line in/line out" format, with text to be added indicated by underlining, and text to be deleted indicated with ~~strikeouts~~.
- b. Reference the name of the document as well as the title, chapter and number of the specific goal, policy or regulation proposed to be amended/added.

3. For Map Change Proposals:

- a. Attach a map of the proposed amendment site/area, showing all parcels and parcel numbers.
- b. What is the current land use designation?
- c. What is the requested land use designation?
- d. Describe the land uses surrounding the proposed amendment site (land use type, vacant/occupied, etc.)

1. **General Questions (for all proposals):**

- a. Describe the nature of the proposed amendment and explain why the change is necessary.

This amendment to Spokane's Comprehensive Plan includes new bike routes, explanations and other edits that bring the Master Bike Plan and other parts of the "Transportation" chapter of the Comprehensive Plan up-to-date with constructed and contemplated facilities since the last amendments established the Master Bike Plan in 2009. The proposed amendments would change the current text of the Comprehensive Plan and would make changes to the bicycle facilities map, Map TR 2 Proposed Bikeway Network.

- b. How will the proposed change provide a substantial benefit to the public?

The adoption of the proposal will increase the opportunities for Spokane to apply for grant money, enhance the region's bike facility network, and promote non-motorized transportation, which can increase the health of the community and improve the environment.

- c. Is this application consistent or inconsistent with the Comprehensive Plan goals, objectives and policies? Describe and attach a copy of any study, report or data, which has been developed that supports the proposed change and any relevant conclusions. If inconsistent please discuss how the analysis demonstrates that changed conditions have occurred which will necessitate a shift in goals and policies.

This application is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan goals, objectives and policies. Spokane's Comprehensive Plan supports non-motorized transportation systems (including a bicycle network). Bicycle facilities in particular are supported by Policies TR 2.10 through 2.17 and the Master Bike Plan in Chapter 4.

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This application integrates and aligns constructed and planned facilities under the designations provided by the existing Planned Bikeway Network, which considered bicycle plans of neighboring jurisdictions at the time of its adoption. The proposal supports the alternative programs and regional transportation system of bikeways and trails envisioned in the Countywide Planning Policies. The proposal is consistent with several facilities identified in the Citywide Capital Improvement Program.

- f. Are there any infrastructure implications that will require financial commitments reflected in the Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan?

Yes. The projects identified in the Master Bike Plan and Comprehensive Plan amendments will require eventual financial commitments in the Six-Year Comprehensive Street Program.

- g. Will this proposal require an amendment to any supporting documents, such as development regulations, Capital Facilities Program, Shoreline Master Program, Downtown Plan, critical areas regulations, any neighborhood planning documents adopted after 2001, or the Parks Plan? If yes, please describe and reference the specific portion of the affected plan, policy or regulation.

This proposal will eventually require amendments to the Six-Year Comprehensive Street Program. These changes should reflect projects identified in the Master Bike Plan.

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This proposal is not intended to modify the Urban Growth Area boundary.

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The proposed amendments are contained within the attached document (labeled "Exhibit B"). Each of the text amendment proposals is intended to clarify, expand or update language related to bicycling within the City of Spokane.

- b. Reference the name of the document as well as the title, chapter and number of the specific goal, policy or regulation proposed to be amended/added.

The proposed text and map amendments occur in Chapter 4 Transportation of Spokane's Comprehensive Plan:

4.4 Goals and Policies

TR 2.16 Bicycle Lanes, Boulevards and Paths (Bicycle Facilities)

4.5 Existing and Proposed Transportation Systems

-Pedestrian and Bicycle Systems

Fish Lake Trail

Centennial Trail

Bike Share Feasibility Study (New Section)

-Table TR 3 Bicycle Terms

4.9 Spokane Master Bike Plan

-Action 1.2: Complete the Bikeway Network

-Action 3.1: Educate Spokane's transportation system users

-Bikeway Network Maps

Bikeway Facility Network Development Maps

Bikeway Network Facility Type Map

Bikeway Network Facility Definitions: Bicycle Boulevard (replace with term "Neighborhood Greenways")

Map TR 2 Planned Bikeway Network

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No land use designation change.

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The land uses surrounding the proposed bike facilities vary.