

Neighborhood Planning Orientation Meeting #1

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Agenda

- ❑ Welcome..... 5:30 – 5:35
- ❑ Introductions..... 5:35 – 5:45
- ❑ History of Neighborhood Planning..... 5:45 – 6:00
- ❑ History of Presently Allocated Funds... 6:00 – 6:15
- ❑ Process Improvements in 2011..... 6:15 – 6:30
- ❑ GMA & Comprehensive Plan..... 6:30 – 6:50
- ❑ Next Steps..... 6:50 – 7:10
- ❑ Questions..... 7:10 – 7:30



Introductions

- ❑ Meet the Staff
- ❑ Meet the Neighborhoods
- ❑ Neighborhood Planning website

History of Neighborhood Planning



History of Neighborhood Planning

- Pre 2001 – Neighborhood Specific Plans
- Comp Plan adopted and neighborhood plans repealed, 2001
- Pilot Centers, 2002-2003
- Neighborhood Planning Guidebook, 2002-2003
- Preparation for neighborhood planning, 2003-2004
- Funding cut for neighborhood planning, 2004
- Limited Center and Corridor Planning, 2005-2007
- Neighborhood Assessments, 2005

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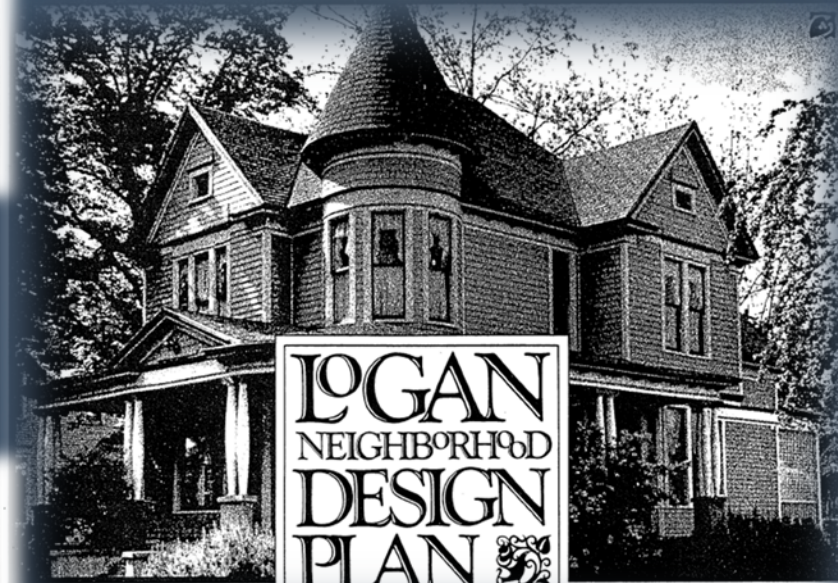


Neighborhood Design Plan

FIVE MILE PRAIRIE PLANNING PROJECT



PREPARED BY
THE PEOPLE FOR
THE PRESERVATION AND
DEVELOPMENT OF
FIVE MILE PRAIRIE
INC



LOGAN NEIGHBORHOOD DESIGN PLAN

THE SPOKANE
CITY PLAN COMMISSION

APRIL 12, 1995

Manito Cannon Hill



Neighborhood Specific Plan City of Spokane



ADOPTED BY
SPOKANE CITY COUNCIL
MAY 15, 1995



CHIEF GARRY PARK



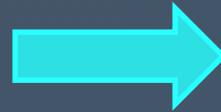
Neighborhood Specific Plan

History of Presently Allocated Funds



History of Planning Funds

\$550,000
2007 allocation



\$21,150
per neighborhood

- Peaceful Valley, North Hill, Grandview/Thorpe voted to use Comp Plan consultant
- Approach required shorter timeframe and neighborhood commitment

Neighborhood Plan History





Council Decision Process

- When the process got started, Council members from each Council District held district meetings to determine order.
- Neighborhoods discussed which neighborhoods would go first within each district or held lottery.
- First six processes chosen.

2009-2012 – First Six Plans

District 1

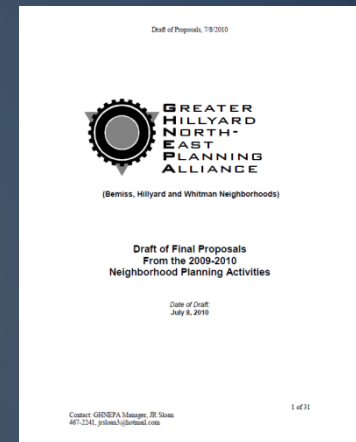
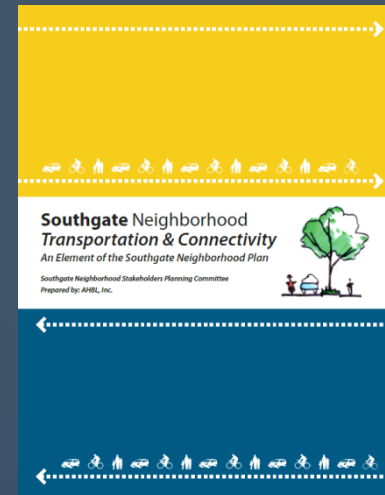
- Bemiss, Whitman, Hillyard (GHNEPA)
- Nevada Lidgerwood

District 2

- East Central
- Southgate

District 3

- Five Mile Prairie
- West Central



* North Indian Trail decided to put their planning money into the City Engineering Department for design work on North Indian Trail Road.

2012 – 2014 – Next Three Plans

District 1

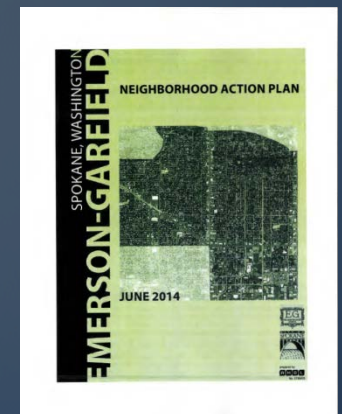
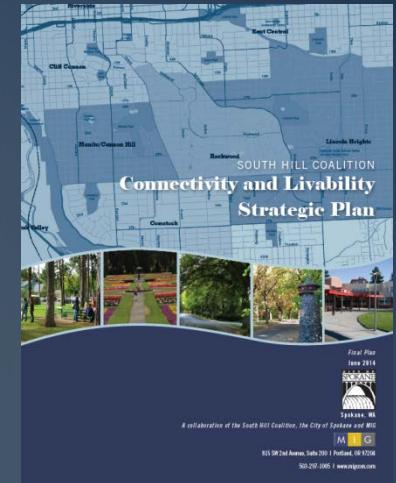
- Logan

District 2 – (South Hill Coalition)

- Cliff Cannon
- Comstock
- Lincoln Heights
- Manito/Cannon Hill
- Rockwood

District 3

- Emerson-Garfield



2014 – Comprehensive Plan Update

- Remaining 10 neighborhoods given opportunity to opt into shorter process Volunteer process.
- Three neighborhoods opted in:
 - Grandview/Thorpe
 - Peaceful Valley
 - North Hill



- Browne's Addition decided to use their money to work with City Parks on a Master Plan for Coeur d' Alene Park.



Remaining Neighborhoods

Four neighborhoods have not yet planned.

District 1: Minnehaha
Shiloh Hills

District 2: Latah/Hangman

District 3: Northwest
Audubon/Downriver
South Indian Trail/Balboa

Process Improvements in 2011





Improving the Process

- In 2010, Planning Services developed a white paper describing ways to improve the process.
- In September 2011, Community Assembly passed a resolution approving the improvements.
- City Council passed resolution on December 19, 2011.



Improving the Process

1. Each neighborhood must complete the Abbreviated Planning Process when it begins neighborhood planning process to help inform the next steps. Neighborhoods who have previously completed planning efforts shall review the results of those efforts with planning staff prior to proceeding with further planning.
2. Neighborhoods must sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City prior to beginning the planning process.



Process Improvements Continued

3. Neighborhoods must work with planning staff to focus on:
 - Achievable goals
 - The planning process
 - Defining the process, establishing a scope, and product.
 - Working on a timeline and a budget.



Process Improvements Continued

4. Select a consultant or other approved university help early in the process so they may assist in defining goals, timeline, and budget.
5. Neighborhoods must complete their planning process within two years of signing the MOU with Planning Services.

A MOU must be signed within the first month of beginning the neighborhood planning process.



Process Improvements Continued

6. Neighborhoods are strongly encouraged to wait to start the formal neighborhood planning process until it is their turn to begin planning. Moving forward without assistance can lead to unintended consequences, such as:
 - Neighborhoods may focus on issues that are not easily solved within the parameters of neighborhood planning;
 - Working over budget;
 - Working without a timeline;
 - Stakeholder burnout early in the process.



Process Improvements Continued

7. The order in which neighborhoods plan may be reexamined.
8. Adjacent neighborhoods are encouraged to combine financial resources and plan together.

GMA & Comprehensive Plan



WA State Growth Management Act

- Passed in 1990
- Required jurisdictions to develop a new Comprehensive Plan under the GMA process.
 - Fourteen goals
 - Population allocation
 - Urban Growth Boundary
- Spokane County began planning under the Act in 1993.





Fourteen Goals of GMA

- Urban Growth
- Reduce Sprawl
- Transportation
- Housing
- Economic Development
- Property Rights
- Permits
- Open Space & Recreation
- Natural Resources Industries
- Environment
- Citizen Participation
- Public Facilities & Services
- Historic Preservation
- Shoreline Management

Comprehensive Plan

- Ensures that growth will be orderly.
- Foundation for all development regulations and city spending on physical improvements.
- Framework for all other planning activities and documents (including neighborhood planning documents).



Shaping Spokane

Comprehensive Plan
for the City of Spokane



Comprehensive Plan

Provides direction to city-elected officials and staff on:

- Locations where growth should occur.
- Quantities and types of housing
- Transportation, public improvements, and public services.
- Ways to help create a healthy economic environment.
- Policies to protect the natural environment.
- Dev. patterns to provide cost-effective delivery of services.
- Timing and conditions for annexation.

Comprehensive Plan

- The City of Spokane Comprehensive Plan adopted May, 2001
 - Designates 20 mixed-use Centers and Corridors.
 - Old neighborhood plans repealed. Community building principles from old plans incorporated into Comprehensive Plan.



Implementing the Comprehensive Plan

- Consistent Regulations
 - Unified Development Code
 - Environmental Laws
 - Building Codes
 - Historic Preservation Laws
 - Design Review
- Conforming Capital Budget and Spending
- Capital Facilities and Concurrency
- Other Plans and Programs, including neighborhood plans



How Do Neighborhood Plans Fit in with the Comprehensive Plan?

- Neighborhood plans must be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.
- Neighborhood plans provide more detail.
- Due to budget constraints, plans are usually conceptual and visionary in nature. Will require more analysis and funding sources for any capital improvements.
- Are a good first step – they let the City know what the neighborhood desires.
- Adopted by resolution.



Getting Started

- Get organized with City staff.
- Determine meeting times, & frequency.
- Sign Memorandum of Understanding.
- Preliminary ideas on how to inform and engage larger neighborhood.
- Undertake Abbreviated Process.
- Hire consultant.

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