REQUEST FOR COMMENTS
FILE NO. Z16-149SCUP

Date: March 11, 2016

To: Interested Parties, City Departments and Agencies with Jurisdiction. (Distribution list on reverse side)

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Subject: Type III Shoreline Conditional Use Permit (SCUP)
River Front Park Skyride and Ice Ribbon Facilities

Applicant: City of Spokane Parks Department

Owner: 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd
Spokane, WA 99201

**Location Description:** The subject property associated with this proposal is parcel number 35185.0041. The proposed Recreational Rink and Skyride Facility is located at the southwest corner of Riverfront Park. It is bounded by Spokane Falls Boulevard on the south, Post Street on the west, the Spokane River South Channel on the north, and by the Fountain Cafe and the Rotary Fountain on the east. The proposed Central Meadow project is located in the center of Riverfront Park, south of the IMAX building and just north of the Howard Street South Channel Bridge.

**Description of Proposal:** This Riverfront Park proposal consists of two parts, 1) a Year Round Recreational Rink and Skyride Facility (Recreational Rink and Skyride Facility) and 2) the Central Meadow Temporary Event Location (Central Meadow), both projects are proposed in the Riverfront Park Master Plan.

**Year Round Recreational Rink and Skyride Facility**

The proposed project consists of an approximately 14,500 square foot ice skating ribbon, which includes a skating pond of approximately 3,500 square feet that will replace the existing ice rink in Riverfront Park’s Pavilion. The new ice rink will be utilized for ice skating use in the winter months and dry floor use during the warmer months. Dry floor uses consist of walking, public displays, craft and food shows, farmer’s markets, and music/artistic performances. The existing Skyride ticket booth, control station, and queuing area will be removed with the ride and controls remaining. The existing public restrooms north of the gondola (existing Skyride) will also be removed. The power and control station will be relocated to the new (year around) recreational building (up to 7,500 square feet); consisting of rentals, sales, restrooms, concessions/food service (has a Type 1 Vent Hood and can accommodate a full-service kitchen), rental rooms, storage room, the ice ribbon controls, ice ribbon and ice grounds maintenance and ice rink operational/mechanical equipment. Site redevelopment for the project includes new site lighting, stormwater facilities, utilities, pavers, fencing, new signage and landscaping in the middle of the ice ribbon and also surrounding the recreational ice rink that will be integrated into the overall Riverfront Park Master Plan (Go to the end of the application to obtain more details on the Recreational Rink and Skyride Facility).

**Central Meadow**

Temporary site improvements will be made to the Central Meadow (area of approximately 60,000 square feet). The work consists removing existing grassy turf, re-grading the site to make it more level in the interior of the bermed area; removing trees to open up the space for park events; upgrading the irrigation; adding a water line, a new transformer and
electrical distribution; and replacing the turf. This site modification provides a temporary green space that can temporarily accommodate vendors during park events.

**Legal Description:** The complete legal description is available upon request in the Development Services Center located on the 3rd floor of City Hall.

**SEPA:** This proposal will be reviewed under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). Checklist attached.

**Current Zoning:** Downtown General 150 (DTG-150)

**REPORT NEEDED BY: 5 P.M. (March 28, 2016).** If additional information is required in order for your department or agency to comment on this proposal, please notify Planning and Development as soon as possible so that the application processing can be suspended while the necessary information is being prepared. Under the procedures of SMC 17G.060, this referral to affected departments and agencies is for the following:

1) The determination of a complete application. If there are materials that the reviewing departments and agencies need to comment on this proposal, notice of such must be provided to the applicant;

2) Provides notice of application;

3) Concurrency Testing, please note one of the following:
   a) ( ) This application is subject to concurrency and agency is required to notify this department that applicant meets/fails currency; OR
   b) ( ) This application is exempt from concurrency testing, but will use capacity of existing facilities.

Under the revised procedures of SMC 17G.060, this referral to affected Departments and Agencies is to provide notice of a pending application. **THIS WILL BE THE LAST NOTICE PROVIDED TO REFERRAL DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES UNLESS WARRANTED.** If there are materials that the reviewing Departments and Agencies need to comment on this proposal, notice of such must be provided to the Applicant. The lack of comment by any referral agency will be considered to be acceptance of this application as Technically Complete.

**Additional Documents Provided:** SCUP Application, Shoreline Critical Areas Checklist, Environmental Checklist, Site Plans. Additional information is available on our website at [https://my.spokancity.org/projects/riverfront-park-permitting/](https://my.spokancity.org/projects/riverfront-park-permitting/)

* - The lack of comment including concurrency by any referral agency will be considered acceptance of this application as technically complete and meeting concurrency requirements.

** - Please forward your comments to Patty Kells, Planning and Development at least 2 working days before the “Report needed by” date shown on the front page.
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