

District Two Consolidated Meeting Notes (Quarter 1)

March 16, 2017

Spokane Public Library (Southside Branch), 5:00 pm

Introductions/Meeting Goals: Brief overview of why we are here. We have already provided an orientation for Spokane Matters. Existing programs already are implemented that we can take advantage of how to better deal with problems across all three Districts, including District 2. This is a pilot program targeted at improving the process of delivering City services. There are numerous ways we can engage our community partners and increase collaboration and integration across the City and with community partners.

Tonight we will choose projects to move forward and have benchmarks to see progress on each project. This meeting is intended to give the group updates on pilot projects and measures, discuss next quarterly projects, implementation, and the appropriate participants for team work.

Overview of Data/Mapping Tool: This data has been a huge resource in identifying some of the internal pilot projects. It allows for real-time understanding and unique combinations of variables to be analyzed.

Overview of existing Pilot Projects:

1. **Safety Project around Lewis & Clark including Lights under I-90**

<https://static.spokanecity.org/documents/neighborhoods/friday-update/i-90-lc-hs-lighting-project.pdf>

- Group brought up the idea of bringing CDBG funding to this project, where Neighborhood councils could possibly allocate their funding to this project.

2. **Parking Solutions in the Perry District**

<https://static.spokanecity.org/documents/neighborhoods/friday-update/spokane-matters-district-2-team-grant-park.pdf>

3. **Safety around the public library**

This team identified a project around the Perry Street Library and SPD Communication Strategy Plan. The task is to help connect the community being served and improve the communications to reduce the high rate of vehicle break-ins throughout district 2. After the last district 2 internal meeting, it was determined that the communications office at the Spokane Library would have a key role in this project. A communication plan has been created for the 2017 year, this will include adding a public safety tips and public

safety forums section to the library newsletter. The Perry and Shadle Libraries are the two locations with the highest volumes; these are potential locations where the community forums could be held. The newsletter will also be pushing the LOCK initiative that focuses on property crime education. As soon as the dates for these forums are set, they will be available through the Spokane Public Library member newsletter. Working with Spokane COPS to push this information out to the community will also be a utilized resource for increased participation on this going forward.

Timeline: Our goal is to have at least 30 days of notice before each meeting. Three dates have been offered and we are trying to schedule meetings that did not conflict with other meetings throughout District 2.

Overview Short and Long Term Concerns in District 2:

Short Term Goals:

- Snow removal
- Safe Routes to School/Crosswalks/School pick-up and drop off
- Additional green space in the East Sprague area
- Volume of traffic around schools
- Sidewalk repair and increase connectivity throughout district 2
- Increased traffic calming
- Increased enforcement on speeding vehicles
- Dealing with construction and alternate route issues
- Transiency – lack of services in the downtown areas

Long Term Goals:

- Preschool and after school care services and transportation
- Pedestrian crossing on Perry and 9th Ave. and 33rd and Grand
- More option for healthy food shopping in the East Central area
- Ben Burr trail connectivity
- Graffiti around Southeast Regal and 29th Ave.
- School partnerships
- Affordable housing
- Housing quality and socioeconomic diversity
- Prostitution – analysis of resources and possibly bring in Community Court to the East Central neighborhood
- Traffic connectivity and pedestrian safety long term
- Traffic studies on the main corridors leading to the Northside

- Department of Transportation (DOT) – vacant lot utilization
- Understand the North/South freeway impacts (on and off ramps in neighborhoods)
- Greater mix of rental and homeownership

Quarter 2, 2017 Project Selection

Proposed Strategy 1:

Take the existing project of the library training workshops and enhance them to become a series of trainings to offer workshops on identity theft, pedestrian safety, safe routes to school, and the Walking School Bus. East Central would like to have this as a discussion item at their next meeting and they are also offering safety workshops through their Neighborhood Council meeting. Expand the library project from District 2 to offer more workshops around safety, walking to schools, block watch. This team can identify more workshops after they meet.

Team Leader: Ellen Peters (Spokane Public Library)

Project Team: Police, COPS, Spokane Public Schools (John Vasant), SRHD (possibly), SFD (Jamie McIntyre), East Central Community Center (Ryan Hamilton).

Contact Information for Project Team 1:

- Ellen Peters (Spokane Public Library): epeters@spokanelibrary.org
- SPD, C.O.P.S: C.O.P.S. East Central 625-3330; C.O.P.S. Southeast 625-3326; C.O.P.S. Greater Spokane 755-2677
- John Vasant (Spokane Public Schools): JohnV@spokaneschools.org, 354-4635
- SRHD: TBD
- SFD: Jamie McIntyre, 625-7058, jmcintyre@spokanecity.org
- Ryan Hamilton (East Central Community Center): 509) 625-6699

Benchmarks: Programs, delivery method, Series of workshop dates and locations, survey results by participants

Proposed Strategy 2:

Develop a support package for the Community Court to come to East Central. Step1: Create a strategy – investigatory group.

Project Lead: Tija Danzig (Community, Housing and Human Services)

Project Team: JJ Jelinek (East Central Community Center), Breean Beggs (City Council, District 2), Hannahlee Allers (Legislative Assistant to Council Member Beggs, District 2)

Contact Information for Project Team 2:

- Tija Danzig (CHHS): tdanzig@spokanecity.org, 655-6052
- JJ Jelinek (East Central Community Center): jjjelinek@ecspokane.org, 808-2023
- Breean Beggs (City Council, District 2): bbeggs@spokanecity.org, 625-6254
- Hannahlee Allers (Leg. Asst. to CM Beggs): hallers@spokanecity.org, 625-6714

Benchmarks: information to help this group determine how/if they want to move forward.

Proposed Project 3:

Connectivity and safety in District 2 regarding the North-South arterials

Project Lead: Breean Beggs and Hannahlee Allers

Team Members: Comstock, Cliff/Cannon, Rockwood, Manito/Cannon Hill, Streets - Bob Turner, STA, Planning Department, SRTC

Contact Information for Project Team 3:

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- Hannahlee Allers (Leg. Asst. to CM Beggs): hallers@spokanecity.org, 625-6714
- Comstock (TBD)
- Cliff Cannon (TBD)
- Rockwood (TBD)
- Manito/Cannon Hill (TBD)
- Bob Turner (Streets): bturner@spokanecity.org, 232-8812
- STA (TBD)
- Planning (TBD)
- Spokane Regional Transportation Council (TBD)

Benchmarks: First endeavor will be to identify an overarching approach to this long-term goal.

Those neighborhoods that have been listed as TBD had representatives present at this meeting that committed to finding a representative to participate in the project. Individual names have not been submitted at this time.

Next Steps: Set meeting dates, project teams are responsible for collaborating outside of these quarterly meetings. At the next quarterly meeting, teams will report back on the progress they have made and if they have reached their benchmarks.

As the dates mentioned [Quarter 2: May 30th; Quarter 3: August 29th; Quarter 4: November 29th] were amenable to all parties, we'll be sending out another Google poll for the best time slot on the remainder of the year for the respective dates.

In Attendance:

Bill Forman (Peaceful Valley), Mike Harves (Browne's Addition), Tija Danzig (Community, Housing and Human Services), Mark Sterk (Spokane Public Schools), Tim Szambelan (City Attorney), Mary Carr (Manito/Cannon Hill), Sally Phillips (Latah-Hangman), Steve Smith (Comstock), Mike Miller (SFD), Dave Lucas (Rockwood), Andy Schenk (Streets), Colleen McCalip (East Central), JJ Jelinek (East Central Community Center), Karen Sutula (East Central), Hannalee Allers (Legislative Assistant to Council Member Beggs, District 2), Sam Lux (South Perry Business and Neighborhood Association), Adam Miles (Streets), Heather Trautman (Office of Neighborhood Services), Katie Myers (Office of Neighborhood Services)