

District Two Consolidated Meeting Notes (Quarter 2)

May 30, 2017

East Central Community Center, 5:00pm

Introductions/Meeting Goals: Spokane Matters is a pilot program whereby City teams and Community stakeholders coordinate efforts on a District scale. It is an opportunity for interaction across City departments and the Community so that, as a greater group, we have the resources to work on a solution to District specific issues.

Today we're meeting about Quarter 2, and it is the responsibility of our existing teams to report back and make adjustments per the recommendations of the group. At the Community stakeholder meetings, we got a list of inspiration that we can refer back to (short/long term concerns). So, this evening we'll ask ourselves: Are we satisfied with the work we are doing? Then, we will determine, as a group, where to go from there.

Review of ground rules, Introductions

We have briefed the Mayor and City Council Members about the pilot's progress, and we will be starting to evaluate this pilot after Quarter 2 and again at the end of 2017. We will share out the analysis conducted via interviews and surveys and we look forward to your candid participation. Look for information from Abbey Martin in June.

Overview of existing projects:

1. Safety underneath I-90, Dave Richards, SPD:

- Spoke with Mark Richards (DSP) and there's a possibility of rebates from AVISTA
- Project will cost \$47,000
- Streets department has been great and has funding and an updated timeline coming
- This is happening in the four blocks between Bernard and Wall, blocks out from Lewis and Clark High School, so that people in the area around the school can see what is coming with enough lead time to act and make the whole area safer
- There is a second phase of this project including other areas around I-90 that the Downtown District group is working Dave updated, around LC, second phase of Downtown project will include other areas around I-90
- Fencing will be up in next couple weeks around skate park
- For more information on this team, contact Team Leader Capt. Dave Richards, drichards@spokanepolice.org

2. Parking solutions in the Perry, Garrett Jones, Parks:

- Three concepts explored:
 - Concept 1: Doubles available parking from 31 stalls to 62, maintains current infrastructure, cost is \$500k
 - Concept 2: Creates 100 stalls, displaces existing ballfield and relocates it and gazebo for 100 spot lot, cost is \$757k
 - Concept 3: Adds on-street parking with angled slots to create an additional 54 stalls, but doesn't address current issue, cost is \$182k
- Preferred solution amongst staff is a combined approach between Concepts 1 and 2 where 62 slots are created, there's a loading zone, and the ballfield is relocated whereby grant opportunities now open up
- Specific grant to pursue would be through YAF through the state Recreation and Conservation Office- possibility of match grant, up to \$250k
- With group's permission/approval, they would like to apply in 2018, which means project would move forward in 2019
- Seems like the best option for stakeholders, including residents, businesses and Spokane Public Schools
- For more information on this team, contact Team Leader Garrett Jones, gjones@spokanecity.org

3. Workshops at Libraries, Ellen Peters, SPL:

- Team has solidified about 75% of the workshop list, including: General Safety Issues; Fraud and Neighborhood Block Watch; Night Out Against Crime; Kids programming around safety; Preschool Storytime around Fire Safety; Adult Fire Safety Education; Bike Safety.
- Waiting to hear from SRHD about Safe Routes to School for Sheridan Elementary- Larry Quisano, Principal at Sheridan, is on board
- PeTT Committee has been talking through uncontrolled intersections and that might be another good workshop topic to education both drivers and pedestrians
- Another possible workshop topic could be on CPTED, so that neighborhoods know what they could do to their specific properties to reduce crime
- For more information on this team, contact Team Leader Ellen Peters, epeters@spokanelibrary.org

4. Community Court in East Central, Tija Danzig, CHHS:

- Crux of the project is investigating bringing community court to East Central
- Community Court is far along in looking into the communities they want to extend to, having undergone research and collecting data about types of crimes and types of community service in neighborhoods
- They are going to make their decision soon- looking at East Central, West Central and Northeast Community Centers
- Hopefully this District 2 group received information about supporting the East Central option
- A group in New York provides their recommendation, and then a decision is made from there in consideration with data collected and community input received
- For more information on this team, contact Team Leader Tija Danzig, tdanzig@spokanecity.org

5. North-South Arterials, Hannahlee Allers, Legislative Asst. to Council Member Beggs, District 2:

- Internal, initial meeting between Council Members Beggs and Kinnear and Bob Turner, Streets, about strategy into coordinating looking comprehensively at all North-South arterials across District 2
- Bob Turner, Streets, stated that from an engineering perspective there isn't one singular issue occurring with the arterials, and that it would be best to look project by project, street by street and/or section by section instead of comprehensively
- Group has decided to narrow down the scope and take it issue by issue, and coordinating with South Hill Coalition and neighborhoods
- Group will meet again and maybe look at using South Hill Coalition priorities (SHC handed out prioritization map and can get others to people- contact Judy Gardner, jkandjg2@comcast.net if interested in this map)
- Eric Lester, Integrated Capital Management, will join this team, as will someone from Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council and the South Hill Coalition
- For more information on this team, contact Team Leader Council Member Beggs, bbeggs@spokanecity.org, or Legislative Asst. Hannahlee Allers, hallers@spokanecity.org

Conclusion and Next Steps:

So, to re-cap, the I-90 project is being completed around Lewis and Clark and the Downtown District group is expanding the original project to include other areas; the Parks project has a timeline and is moving to a citizen engagement piece; the Safety and Workshops group is solidifying final dates and topics; Community Court is waiting on a final decision and will report out at the next meeting; and the Connectivity group is going to meet. Are there additional projects the group would like to take on that resonate with the short/long-term concerns brought up by the community?

Discussion: Capt. Richards, SPD, mentioned that CSO Tank 7 will impact East Central and this group could be thinking about what to do with the surface area on the top of it when it's complete. This project will be led by:

- Eric Lester, Integrated Capital Management
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- Team members may include:
City design team; East Central Neighborhood Council; East Spokane Business Association; Engineering; Spokane Police Dept.; Tija Danzig, CHHS; Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council; Andy Hoye, Southgate Neighborhood Council
- Benchmark for Quarter 3 meeting: construction plans, then determining options moving forward for the space to be an asset as opposed to a liability.

Next meeting will be the Quarter 3 meeting at the East Central Community Center in the multipurpose room on August 29th, from 5-6:30pm. Each project team will meet as needed in order to continue their work and make sure they are prepared to report back to the group at the next meeting.

In attendance:

Jamie McIntyre (SFD); Carol Tomsic (Lincoln Heights); Tracie Meidl (SPD); Hannahlee Allers (City Council); Mary Carr (Manito/Cannon Hill); David Richards (SPD); Garrett Jones (Parks); Andy Hoye (Southgate); Steve Smith (Comstock); Ellen Peters (SPL); Tija Danzig (CHHS); Michael Harves (Browne's Addition); Judy Gardner (South Hill Coalition and Cliff/Cannon); JJ Jelinek (East Central Community Center); Heather Trautman (ONS); Abbey Martin (ONS); Eric Lester (ICM); Jacob Froley (City Council)