

District Three Consolidated Meeting Notes (Quarter 1)

March 23, 2017

West Central Community Center, 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 to better deal with problems across whole Districts, including District 3. 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 set 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 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 Projects:

1. Shadle and Walmart area safety strategy:

Boris Borisov, Planning, updated the group on the Shadle-Walmart area safety strategy. They found that some of the trouble is coming from youth during after school hours, but that it is not solely a youth-centered issue. They are finding that transient and needy populations are getting pushed North from the downtown and then isolated in that area. Karen, from Balboa/South Indian Trail, has been onsite at the library and talking with local businesses specifically regarding youth from Excelsior. Pat, from the library, gave a shout-out to Officer MacIntyre and Capt. Torok because they came up with 16 steps for improvement and they already have implemented about half of them. (These steps came from the mapping data as well.) They are looking for some funding for remaining recommendations, and the group is thinking that perhaps their next steps will be about getting more services and agencies that deal with needy populations into the area to help administer services.

2. Dutch Jake's Park funding:

Council Member Stratton, District 3, presented on behalf of their team by walking group through a PowerPoint presentation on their progress thus far. She explained that they are in the process of continuing to work with the neighborhood to ensure the settled upon plan for the park is one that resonates with their vision. Additionally, she explained that they are looking at funding sources for the settled upon vision, including but not limited to: Parks six-year capital plan, CDBG funds, potential grants from the Trust or Public Lands (up to \$200k), corporate sponsorships/partnerships, and the adopt-a-park program. Their next steps are to produce drawings and estimates reflecting the master plan, continued community and neighborhood outreach, and to secure funding for phased improvements.

3. Health and safety education outreach program

Amy Mullerleile, from Planning, updated the group on how they used the mapping tool to cross-reference why and where the calls for 911/Fire Department were being used for medical services during off-medical facility hours. They focused their work on the alpha and bravo calls and looked at a very concentrated area of call volume in the West Central area specifically. Their assumption was that mental health concerns may be a contributing factor, but they are finding that the primary reason people were calling was general sickness late at night outside of health care facilities' normal working hours. The team is looking at how they can get people to take advantage of health care facilities when they are open and how they can get people to utilize those services when they begin to feel unwell as opposed to when there is a crisis. They are also talking to health facilities to see how they can best support and augment current outreach work they are doing. They are still in a strategizing phase and have learned a lot about correct identification of the problem.

Overview Short and Long Term Concerns in District 3:

Short Term Goals:

- Potholes-street maintenance
- Snow plow procedure and response time
- City-owned sidewalks snow removal
- STA snow removal around bus stops
- Community conflict on the Monroe Project
- Broadway Road needs to be fixed (short and long-term)
- Improving the existing quality of alley access (grading, graveling)
- Availability of Safe Places for children after school
- Promoting small business opportunity

- City to create a piggyback contract system
- Method of more effectively communicating community needs to City staff (liaison)
- Pedestrian safety around schools
- Traffic calming districtwide (better pre-identification of reduce speed areas around schools)
- Plowing priority for schools
- Clear walks from snow for ADA accessibility (short and long-term goals)
- Enforcement mechanism for bus

Long Term Goals:

- Building of the project North Monroe Corridor Project – Local residents are for it and business owners are against it.
- Community conflict about construction projects
- West Central – Balance of homeowner and rental in WC
- Concentration of Regional Services in District 3 – and needed supports
- Transportation - 6-20 year plan around roadways in a East-West (capacity & efficiency)
- Sidewalk repair
- Pave alleyways throughout District 3
- Generational poverty
- Absentee Landlords associated with Housing Quality
- City infrastructure barriers to small business
- Neighborhood centric method for the individual to find the path for training opportunity (Systematic approach to developing job opportunities)
- Increase opportunity for Vocational training with schools
- Development around SFCC transit (Fort George Wright)
- Physical isolation of parts of district 3
- Physical identity of District 3 due to isolation (increase connectivity)
- Develop a long term plan around underground power
- Surface parking add-ons for school facilities for school programs
- Creating community policing
- Increasing funding that neighborhoods have for neighborhood planning

Quarter 2, 2017 Project Selection:

Proposed Strategy 1: Taking the agencies that provide youth services and getting them together to see what they are offering and what they need to do to more efficiently serve youth. The group will get pertinent parties together, share current services, examine the Native Project's analysis and research from their background work in deciding to open a Youth Center, discuss program gaps, and then report back to the whole group.

Team Leader: Jose Cenicerros (Immanuel Church, Youth for Christ)

Project Team: Jenifer Priest (Project Hope), Mark Davies (North Indian Trail), Youth Services Librarian from Spokane Public Library, Transitions staff person

Persons to reach out to as potential team members: YWCA, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Spokane Police Department youth program (Capt. Torok has contact info.), Christ the Redeemer/West Central Episcopal Mission, Spokane Public Schools, Salem Lutheran, The Jonah Project

Contact information for Project Team 1:

- Jose Cenicerros (Immanuel Church, Youth for Christ): j.cenicerros@me.com
- Jenifer Priest (Project Hope): jenifer@projecthopespokane.org
- Mark Davies (North Indian Trail): msdavies@msn.com
- Spokane Public Library: pbonner@spokanelibrary.org (contact for team member name)
- Transitions: erice-sauer@help4women.org (contact for team member name)

Benchmarks: Did the committee get off the ground? Is there ample participation to go forward? (Report back to group in Quarter 2 and determine additional benchmarks.)

Agree to continue three existing strategies (Shadle-Walmart safety, Dutch Jake's, Heath and Safety):

Mark Davies is joining the Shadle-Walmart safety group. His contact information is:
msdavies@msn.com

Kelly Cruz is joining the Dutch Jake's team. His contact information is:
wcnchair@yahoo.com

Team leaders, please add these team members to your respective projects lists so that they can participate in the work.

Timeline and Next Steps: 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 3.

As the dates mentioned [Quarter 2, June 7th; Quarter 3 September 6th ; Quarter 4, December 6th] were amenable to all parties, we'll be sending out invites and are looking to move the time from 4-5:30pm. Attendees stated the location (West Central Community Center) was sufficient.

In Attendance:

Amy Mullerleile (Planning), Patricia Bonner (SPL), Larry Peck (Northwest), Jose Cenicerros (Immanuel/Youth for Christ), Mark Davies (North Indian Trail), Karen Kearney (Balboa/South Indian Trail), Eric Lester (Integrated Capital Management), Jenifer Priest (Project Hope), Ross Kelley (Audobon/Downriver), Lynn Erickson (Spokane Public Schools), Megan Kennedy (North Monroe Business District), Fran Papenleur (Audobon/Downriver), Toni Lodge (Native Project), Boris Borisov (Planning), Kelly Cruz (West Central), Karen Stratton (Council Member, District 3), Capt. Dan Torok (SPD), Edie Rice-Sauer (Transitions)