



Emerson-Garfield Neighborhood Council

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

The meeting began at 6:00 p.m. with 20 voting members present. The roster also recorded 8 guests. The May minutes were approved without any changes, with no objections and no abstentions.

Josh Oakes from the City of Spokane Parks and Recreation department provided information about summer programs. The Splash Pass program lets you into the City's pools for free. Passes are available online at spokaneparks.org/aquatics, by calling 311, or just show up and fill out a paper form for your next swim. Open swim is from 1-4pm. The City is also offering a new program called [Mobile Rec](#) on specific days from 11:30am-2:30pm.

Janet Penney spoke about traffic on Washington St. The Council approved that we would like Janet to apply on behalf of the Council for the Mobile Feedback sign to be placed on Washington near York southbound from Aug 20 – Sep 3.

Based on previous discussions regarding crime in the neighborhood, we discussed some options regarding holding a workshop at the [North Central COPS Shop \(806 W Knox Ave\)](#). The date chosen to hold the workshop is on Thursday, July 26 from 6-8pm. Topics for discussion will be property crime, how to deal with a crime in action, domestic abuse, and safety in school settings. Volunteers are requested to help plan the workshop, probably mostly by email – if you are interested, email chair@emersongarfield.org.

Dale Wells, the Emerson-Garfield Community Resource Officer, talked about scams. People are calling residents claiming to be from Avista. These are scams; Avista will not call to tell you they are shutting off your power. Other common scammers claim they are from the IRS.

There is a new camping ordinance going into effect on June 14. People cannot camp on any city owned property, including parks. Police can only arrest campers if there are beds available in shelters. They also offer community court options for those arrested to provide people help with social services. Nuisance motor homes are still mainly complaint based. If you would like to file a code or parking complaint, visit <https://my.spokanecity.org/neighborhoods/code-enforcement/>.

Building Stronger Neighborhoods (Anne Luttrull): Some members attended a conference and will be conducting a workshop related to what they learned. She also discussed Cleaning in the Corridor and National Night Out. They are still looking for ideas for a toolkit to help people organize events and block watches.

Neighborhood Clean Up (Taylor reporting for Karl Boldt): About 160 households participated which created 560,000 pounds of waste. Faith Bible Church continues to be a terrific partner. We have removed

290 tons in 10 years of the program. Every first Friday of the month there are 15 dump passes available, each worth \$20. Saturday, October 27 from 9am-12pm will be clean green clean-up day.

Farmers Market (EJ Iannelli): He provided some background about how the market came about as a neighborhood initiative. Sales were up 60% for the first day's market compared to past years. They are always looking for volunteers (<http://market.emersongarfield.org/>). If you know any WIC clients, let them know they can use their vouchers at the market.

Land Use Committee (Gene Brake): We have a new representative but nothing to report yet.

Pedestrian, Traffic & Transportation (PeTT) Committee (Carlie Hoffman): Spokane Regional Health District presented on the Walking School Bus project. They will be emailing the PeTT committee with more information when they contact the schools asking for participants. Encourage your school to participate.

North Monroe Business District (Gene Brake): He reported on the Meet on Monroe event. On July 13, they will be having their annual business takeover at the Farmers Market. It will feature businesses on Monroe. Go to meetonmonroe.com to sign up for newsletters and visit the [Facebook page](#) for updates.

Corbin Senior Center (Jeff Edwards): New carpet was installed at the center. Next a security camera system will be installed. There will be a picnic on July 7 at 12-3pm at Wednesday, June 13, 2018.

We are halfway to funding the retention wall mural on Post St.

There will not be a meeting in July. The next EGNC meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 8 at 6 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

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