



Emerson-Garfield Neighborhood Council

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

The meeting began at 6:01 pm with 26 voting members present. The roster also recorded 6 guests. The October minutes were approved without any changes, with no objections and no abstentions.

Carlie spoke about the basics of the [Traffic Calming Program](#). Applications are due to the city in March. If you have a project idea, complete the [form online](#) and consider presenting your idea at an upcoming EGNC meeting.

Jamie Burton and Connie Sullivan spoke about a traffic issue at Jackson and Lincoln. Karl Boldt brought forward an issue at Washington and Buckeye. Madison and Cora was also brought forward for traffic calming. Taylor brought up that sidewalks and traffic calming is needed near Audubon School. The group discussed that anyone who wants to work on one of the projects should research and gather data to bring to the group next month to discuss further.

Tom brought forward that cars are driving into the center turn lane on Monroe to get around stopped buses. Taylor said she would contact STA about this issue.

Bill presented the designs for the Emerson-Garfield and North Hill gateway sign. The group voted to approve the design as presented.

There was some discussion about the hanging flower pots on Monroe. Gene indicated that some more things need to be put into place between the City and the Business District first.

North Monroe Business District (Blossom): Small Business Saturday is November 30.

Spokane Public Library (Jeff Benefield): Shadle Library will be open through Dec 22. They will move to the Northtown Mall on Jan 2. The Downtown Library will be closing spring of 2020 for construction. Join them for a winterfest celebration at Northtown Mall on Nov 30, Dec 28 and 31.

Building Stronger Neighborhoods (Anne Lutfull): They had about 20 attendees at the fall retreat. They are looking at more regional conferences to attend. They have been asked to publicize neighborhood council events at the beginning of summer. They are considering buying some barricades for event safety.

Land Use (Rachelle Bradley): They voted on a new executive committee – Rachelle is now on the committee. PLANT ordinance that will be up for City Council vote mandates that residents will be required to plant trees under specific circumstances. She listened to group feedback to take back to the sub-committee regarding the language in the ordinance.

Corbin Senior Center (Heide Wehr): They have received funding for second phase of security plan. They will be holding a Christmas lunch on Dec 13, and they are looking for volunteers.

Community Assembly (Tom Powell): Heather Trautman resigned.

Spokane COPS (Dale Wells): His team will be conducting an unlawful camping POD for the next year so he won't be in his office every third week.

Kara Odegard and Brian Henning presented about the Spokane Climate Adaptation Project (SCAP). There is an executive summary available if you would like to learn more. Rising temperatures and increased precipitation will affect the region. This will also mean more wildfires and smoke. They are thinking about what the future might look like and creating policies and plans to help adapt. The City has created a Sustainability Action Subcommittee, a volunteer group to provide policy recommendations to address climate change and environmental sustainability. They are looking for feedback from residents and neighborhoods. More information will be provided later.

The next EGNC meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 11 at 6 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm.