



## Emerson-Garfield Neighborhood Council

*Wednesday, December 11, 2019*

The meeting began at 6 pm with 19 voting members present. The roster also recorded 10 guests. The November minutes were approved without any changes, with no objections and no abstentions.

Spokane COPS (Dale Wells): They are no longer seeing people sleeping behind the trees in Emerson Park. The new shelter is open at 500 S Cannon.

Carlie spoke about the [Mobile Speed Feedback](#) applications. We need to decide on the locations by the March meeting. If you have a location in mind, email [emersongarfield@gmail.com](mailto:emersongarfield@gmail.com).

Candace Mumm from City Council announced that they approved their budget. They are adding positions and programs to the office. They are looking to increase funding for COPS and more funding for school improvements, particularly for schools without buses. The application for a new council member will open tomorrow and interviews will be in January. Proposed changes to the [West Quandant TIFF](#) include removing the specific projects from the code and replacing that with types of projects to choose from.

A tree workshop is part of our neighborhood plan. Taylor will be meeting with [Urban Forestry](#) to bring a workshop to our neighborhood near Arbor Day (April 24). We discussed possible topics and times for the workshop for Taylor to discuss with them.

Traffic island clean up is needed at Northwest Blvd and Madison and across from Drumheller Springs. We chose May 2 at 9am. We will figure out further details at another meeting.

Eline Helm is working on a [Traffic Calming](#) application at Cora and Madison. She will bring details for a vote at the February meeting.

Taylor spoke to the group about a Traffic Calming proposal on W Boone (within West Central Neighborhood boundaries). West Central would have to vote to approve any proposal. Taylor will reach out to West Central for their feedback.

The group voted Brenda Martinson as the Community Assembly representative and Steve Wilson as an alternate.

The City of Spokane would like to present to the group in February concerning a re-zoning survey along N Monroe. We voted to have a special meeting for a greenways part 2 on January 8 at 6pm at Corbin Senior Center.

Spokane Public Library (Jeff Benefield): A temporary downtown location will be in STA Plaza starting on March 2. Shadle Library will have a temporary location in Northtown Mall starting on January 2.

West Central Community Center (Heath Kays): They are looking for volunteers for the Winter Fest on December 20.

Legacy Properties Spokane (Eline Helm): They are working on acquiring the property across from Emerson Park to build housing. If you have questions, contact her at 847-9166 or [elinehelmavd@gmail.com](mailto:elinehelmavd@gmail.com).

Land Use (Rachelle Bradley): Other neighborhoods brought forward the same concerns we had regarding the PLANT ordinance proposal.

Corbin Senior Center (Heidi Wehr): They have a lunch on Friday. Membership is increasing.

Community Assembly (Chris Savage): There will be Traffic Calming lecture on Monday, January 13 at 6pm in Council Chambers. Louis Mueller is the new director for Neighborhood Services. There is an all new executive board.

Taylor Phillips (Farmers Market): If you are interested in volunteering, email Taylor at [myneighbortaylor@gmail.com](mailto:myneighbortaylor@gmail.com).

Jessica Engelman presented to the group on greenways. Spokane is currently in the process of building a greenway and planning others. Greenways are streets designed for people who are older, younger or have differing abilities with low motorized traffic and safe crossings. They use signs/markings to indicate slower traffic and bike traffic. They are also cheaper and faster to implement than bike lanes. If you are interested in learning more, attend our special meeting on January 8 at pm at Corbin Senior Center.

The next EGNC meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 12 at 6 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.