



# Emerson-Garfield Neighborhood Council

*Wednesday, February 12, 2025*

**Meeting Started:** 6:00 PM

**Voting Members Present:** 26

**Guests Present:** 7

**Minutes:**

**Motion to Approve January 2025 Minutes:** Tim Musser

**Seconded to Approve January 2025 Minutes:** Mary Charbonneau

**Minutes pass unanimously**

**Agenda:**

**Motion to Approve February 2025 Agenda:** Katie Joy Newhouse

**Motion to Approve February 2025 Agenda:** Tim Musser

**January 2025 Agenda passes unanimously**

**Guest Speaker:**

**Northwest Sector Precinct Report:** (Officer Ben)

- Officer Ben provided an update on crime and policing in the EG neighborhood and the northwest sector.

**Spokane City Council:** (Kitty Klitzke)

- Council Member Klitzke provided an update on the Washington/Buckeye Street pilot project. She discussed that they are working to schedule a meeting to gather consensus of what neighbors in the area want. The date and time of that meeting will be communicated to the council.

**Discussion Items**

**Corbin Park Resident Discussion:** (Gina McKenzie)

- Gina, who lives on Corbin Park, discussed that she wanted another opportunity to discuss the Washington/Buckeye street pilot project.

**Mansfield Grocery:** (Dan Shier)

- Dan Sheir from West Mansfield summarized a bill currently in Washington legislature, HB 1175. This bill allows café and stores to open up in residential zones.
- Eileen confirmed that the EGNC response to the CUP application was submitted timely.

**Emerson Garfield Farmers Market:** (Anne Luttrell)

- The Farmers Market will be starting June 6. The location has changed to Emerson Park on Madison and Alice Streets. The market will be off the asphalt and the park has a bathroom. The market is looking for volunteers and sponsors.

**CDBG funds: neighborhood allocation and grant opportunity**

- Eileen provided an update on a funding opportunity for neighborhood projects. Eligible projects for consideration are to make improvements for neighborhood parks. Eligible projects are for construction and rehabilitation but not maintenance and repair. Priority will be given to playground, restrooms, pathway and sport court improvement projects. The city has allocated approx. \$400K of the total CDBG grants for these projects. The projects will be submitted via an RFP process. The application process is March 14. The Council discussed several different project ideas. Several volunteered to draft an application and will meet as a group by the next deadline.

**Motion to create a group of EGNC volunteers to meet with city and attend first meeting with CHHS:** Crystal Glanz-Kreutz

**Second to create a group of EGNC volunteers to meet with city and attend first meeting with CHHS:** Gina McKenzie

**Motion pass unanimously**

**Reports:**

**ONS:** (Gabby Ryan)

- Gabby reminded us that we have until the end of April to identify a CE coordinator, and to think about what we want to spend our \$850 grants on. The city has changed the cap to \$300 on food/refreshments. The mobile speed feedback project is open and that the council should start considering locations we'd like to set these up at. The application is due Monday, April 14. The Director of Neighborhood Services position is vacant.

**Clean Up Program:** (Jeff Thomas)

- Jeff discussed that the clean up event that is scheduled for Saturday, May 17.

**Building Stronger Neighborhoods:** (Clay Elliott)

- Clay recapped the good neighbor celebration and went over comms committee. Clay discussed the spring learning series.

**Land Use:** (Bill Heaton)

- Bill summarized that the meetings will be even months this year. In an upcoming meeting, a city representative will be attending and sharing projections for the city through 2040. 2040 projections, significant growth in population. Also slated to be addressed at upcoming meetings is the relaxing of parking minimums, and parking ordinances.

**Pedestrian, Traffic, and Transportation:** (Carlie Hoffman):

- Not present.

**North Monroe Business District:** (Brianna Musser)

- Elections were held in February for the new Board. ARPA will be presenting to the NMBD the following week.

**Corbin Senior Activity Center:** (Jan Charbonneau)

- Jan discussed that there is a soft opening on the Boutique on February 13. She also discussed their largest fundraiser-Gala Night Under the Stars. The even is a 5-course meal with wine pairings. There is also a fundraiser on May 31 fundraiser called Catch the Dream at the Spokane Tribe Casino.

**Community Assembly:** (Patti Marland-Stevens)

- Not present

**Community Safety Committee:** (Ted Stevens)

- Not present

**C.O.P.S.:** (Katie Schneider)

- No update

**West Central Community Center:** (Heath Kays)

- No update

**Way Out Center:** (Gerianne Armstrong)

- Not present.

**Treasurer:** (Judy Heaton)

- We have \$704.88 in our account.

**Transitions:** (Sarah Lickfold):

- Sarah discussed their fundraiser, Mardi Bra. There is a drop-off location through March 14 at Women's Hearth at 920 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. In addition to bra's/clothing they need hygiene items.

**WQTIF:** (E.J. Iannelli)

- They did not meet in February.

**Emerson Garfield Farmers Market:** (Anne Luttrell)

- Update provided above.

The meeting was adjourned at **7:42 PM**