

Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council
Southside Senior and Community Center
January 17 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was brought to order by Rae-Lynn Barden, Board Chair.

People introduced themselves, and were asked to sign in.

Because we didn't have a quorum we were not able to approve the minutes of our November 15, 2016 meeting.

Council Update: Lori Kinnear

- State Legislature will have the State monitor property crime offenders – something we used to do, but not presently. Washington is the only state asking to reinstitute this. Spokane will have a pilot project to do this monitoring.
- Working on a new ordinance makes it a misdemeanor to attempt to steal, i.e., standing by or sitting in a car, messing with keys, etc.
- Working on a demolition that affects historical sites – some historical sites in Spokane are presently not protected. It's a year-long process.
- Is recommending an ordinance update, to educate and provide protection for trees, planting more trees.
- Gave more information about "parklets," fit in parking spaces, May-October, and then are taken down. In 2016 there were 2-3 downtown. In 2017 we anticipate 5 downtown and some in other places.

Council Update: Breen Beggs

- When people are put in jail for property crime, serve their time and get out, there is no support for rehabilitation, because it's currently a misdemeanor
- The City-wide sidewalk repair program continues. Survey says that 82% think we should repair our own sidewalks. 70% think the City should have a program to deal with this. If there was a \$60/year fee, 60% say they'd support if offered. At the \$60/year fee, 75% would go to repairs and 25% would go to new sidewalks. Beggs sees the possibility of something going on the ballot this coming November. Thinks it would be a good idea to do it for 4-5 years and then re-apportion.

- Traffic Calming School Speed Camera may be added in Lincoln Heights in 2017. Revenues from the Go-To-School Projects.
- There will be a staffing study in March, to determine how many officers we need, to replace laid off officers. There are openings now that when hired will take a full year to train.

NCO Update: Officer Tim Ottmar, Neighborhood Resource Officer

- Gave some crime tips: don't leave unattended cars warming up – it's illegal to do so on the City streets, and in your driveway or on your property there's a high danger of theft.
- If you own a model of car that has been determined to be highly susceptible to be stolen, Neighborhood Resource Officers will give you a free locking club. Call 509/625-3326 for more information
- Officer Ottmar's desk phone # is 509/625-3383. Call this number for questions about Code enforcement, SCRAPS, etc. Usually staffed 8am-3pm. They're looking for volunteers to staff this desk.

Board Chair's Update – Rae-Lynn Barden

Ray-Lynn reminds us that Board elections will be at our May 16th meeting. Anyone interested in running for the Board can get more information from any current Board member.

Spokane Public Library Levy Lid Lift presentation: Andrew Chanse, Director

See Library website and online brochure for more information:

www.spokanelibrary.org

WSDOT Update (North/South Freeway)

Check online for full information: www.WSDOT.wa.gov . Also check out Department of Ecology's "Black Tank" information:<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=3243> .

CDBG Update

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kandy Brandt, Board Secretary
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Next LHNC meeting will be March 21, 2017 at 7 p.m. at the Southside Community Center. Follow us on Facebook at Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council.