

**Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council
Minutes of August 15, 2023 meeting via Zoom**

Chair Carol Tomsic called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and announced that there would be three speakers.

Attendance:

Attendees – Timothy Jonchers, Jason Reid, Jim Vandermeer, William Bidowski, Theresa Bidowski, Marcia Milani, Chuck Milani, Dale Damron, Joan Zimmer, Hadley Morrow, Britney Holden, Marcia Tunik, Carol Tomsic, Sally Phillips, Carol Landa-McVicker

Guests – Alex Gibilisco, Shelby Allison, Paul Kropp, Dean Gunderson, Annie Deasy

Alex Gibilisco, City Manager of Equity and Inclusion Initiatives introduced the new City Logo, “In Spokane We All Belong” and presented a power point describing the efforts to build community and bring people together throughout Spokane. He said there is an Equity subcommittee that is in the early stages of their work to develop and implement a plan.

Shelby Allison, Asphalt Art Program Manager for the City of Spokane, described the intersection and cross walk project that is underway for traffic calming in our neighborhoods. A pilot program has been funded and before and after data will be collected. The art projects will be funded by the revenue collected from traffic cameras. Neighborhood Councils will have input in the selection of artists, artwork and citing of projects in their neighborhoods. Each neighborhood will have one intersection and two crosswalks. There will be no artwork on arterials. She said the traffic calming lights will be up on 29th near Rosauer's late this summer or fall. The lights at 29th and Fiske have not yet been funded.

Shelby can be reached at [shelby HYPERLINK "mailto:shelby@spokanearts.org"@spokanearts HYPERLINK "mailto:shelby@spokanearts.org".org](mailto:shelby@spokanearts.org)

Paul Kropp, Chair of the Community Assembly Liaison Committee, announced that the Community Assembly (CA) is looking to fill a liaison position with the Design Review Board. The Design Review Board ensures projects that require a design review follow the city's guidelines. Carol Tomsic said that the council and residents were actively involved in the design review of the Garden District PUD and are currently active in a design review of a the Adams Elementary School rebuild. Paul briefly described the responsibilities of the position and application process.

Dean Gunderson, Senior Urban Designer with the City Design Review Board, gave an overview of the board and urged anyone interested in serving on the board as the citizen at large to apply. More information can be found at the web site [Design Review Board - City of Spokane, Washington \(spokanecity.org\)](http://spokanecity.org).

Mark Carlos, CM Betsy Wilkerson, Assistant gave a brief report on the selection of a citizen to fill the vacancy on the City Council until the November election. The vacancy is the result of Lori Kinnear being selected as Council President with the resignation of Breen Beggs.

Carol Tomsic announced that the 3rd Annual Meet your Neighbors in the Park will be held on Saturday, August 18 in Thorton Murphy Park from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Next meeting will be at the South Side Center on September 19 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Landa-McVicker, Secretary