Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council Minutes of June 18, 2024 meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by President Carol Tomsic.

Attendance:

Members – Marilyn Lloyd, Sally Phillips, Carol Tomsic, Carol Lander-McVicker, Richard Sola, Diane Sherman, Claire Beagle, Andrew Beagle, Bill Doley, Susan Terjeson, Shawn Terjeson, Rick Dullanty, Jim Vandermeer, Kurt Fleming, Nancy Harnetiaux, Marilyn Reimann, Hank Reimann, Ruth May, Chris Krona, Theresa Bidowski, Willliam Bidowski, Jessica Adkins, Joan Zimmer.

Guests - Erik Lowe, Stanely Stadelman, Paul Dillon, Amber Waldref

Councilman Paul Dillon discussed the Adaptive Design resolution that will initiate a pilot study and require a special budget. He said the Council is concerned about the increase in traffic related pedestrian deaths and wants to increase residential lighting and sidewalk repairs. He also said the City is experiencing a record number of requests for building permits.

Deputy Stanley Stadelman from the South Precinct discussed the service calls in our neighborhood dealing with shop lifting and thefts. He said to call 311 to report illegal encampments. There was a question as to why school zone lights are still flashing now that school is out. He said this is controlled by the school district and there are still children in the neighborhoods going to parks and schools for activities and free lunches.

County Commissioner Amber Waldref gave a brief update on the County Commission. They are working to have a medical response team who can respond to drug and alcohol emergencies and clear people into treatment. They are also considering a Sobering Center as there are currently no detox beds available. She also said they continue to look at a Regional entity to deal with homelessness.

Erik Lowe discussed his organization, Spokane Reimagined and their proposed \$1 billion tax levy proposal to radically reshape Spokane into a pedestrian and bike-oriented city and asked that we support the City Council's Safe Streets Now! resolution that will be voted on at the next city council meeting on 6/24/24. This was followed by discussion with Andrew Beagle offering his expertise in addressing successful traffic calming strategies.

After discussion of available Spokane Arts mural artists (https://spokanearts.org/asphalt-art-artist-roster/) to work with us on our street mural at 11th and Fiske, the members participated in a straw

vote to invite three artists from the roster to attend an in-person meeting. Carly Ellis, Matt Smith, and Yelena Yunin will be invited to our next meeting to discuss ideas.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Landa-McVicker, Secretary