

Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council

Minutes for Zoom meeting, June 17, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Carol Tomsic at 6:00p.m.

Member present:

Carol Tomsic, Carol Landa-McVicker, Marilyn Lloyd, Ginnie Henry, Shawn Terjeson, William Bidowski, Teresa Bidowski, Daniel Zapotocky, Hadley Morrow, Ruth May, Jim May, Marilyn Reimann, and Hank Reimann.

Guests:

Ryan Benzie, Lili Navarrete, Micah Prim, and Duane Studer

Councilwoman Lilli Navarete was introduced and gave a brief summary of recent Council activities/actions:

- Camping Ordinance deferred to June 30 meeting
- Kids day in Riverfront Park will be on June 22 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- The Safe Street Ordinance was passed allowing closing of streets for neighborhood events.
- Ordinance was passed closing crypto kiosks in convenience stores to prevent scams. Hoping for a statewide ban.
- Councilwoman Navarete said she is resigning from the council effective June 30. A new member will be appointed for a 4-month term until the November elections. Applications are now being accepted. She was thanked for her service.

Ryan Benzie, City of Spokane Planning Specialist gave a slide presentation and answered questions on the process for implementing The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) in local developments. (see slide presentation)

Officer Mica Prim was introduced and gave a summary of police activity in the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood.

- Most calls for police service occur in the Regal and 29th retail area.
- Asked that people who witness speeders and reckless driving call these in. There are now 4 officers assigned to traffic and 3 officers trained in DUI.

Duane Studer from Wastewater Management was introduced and gave a slide presentation on the Wastewater Combined Overflow facility (CSO) at Ray/20th. Because of technical difficulties, the audio was not working, and the presentation/discussion was conducted in the chat. There were questions about how a CSO works and suggestions about enhancing the

site as a neighborhood park and providing more access. Mr. Studer offered to conduct a tour of the facility and Carol Tomsic will follow up with scheduling.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m. Next meeting will be held at the Southside Center on July 15 at 6 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Landa-McVicker, Secretary