

September Neighborhood Council Meeting

Jeff called the meeting to order at 6:32pm

Introductions - Jeff Zabinski, Mike Flahavan, Carrie Ferran, Buzz Bellessa, Sandy Gill, Jeff Benefield, Julie Shephard-Hall, Mike Trautman, Charlie Kline, Julie Bunker, Dan Brown, Gary White, Linda White, David Jacobs

Speaker - Jeff Benefield - Shadle Library reference librarian

- In addition to the many various books, the library loans many other things DVDs, music CDs, science kits, telescope, video recording kits.
- Also many online/digital resources such as Chiltern library auto repair, learning express (help with many exams,) grant seeking information, lynda.com anything you might want to know about business related subjects, downloadable magazine access, Pronunciator - 80 languages, and many many more.
- Downloadable content - ebooks, audio books, hoopla (streaming content,) music
- Document stations - .05 per page to: send faxes, print, save to thumb drive, scan to emails, etc
- Meeting room available for reservation during library open hours
- Many programs for adults and children. Presentations, arts and crafts, Star Trek related events to celebrate the 50th anniv, cultural presentations, etc.
- Geneology reference, historical house research, Fuller room (rare book collection, by appt only) available at DT location
- Device support - "Appy Hour" 2nd and 4th Thursdays - 3:30-5:30 at Shadle (avail at other locations as well)
- Eight - 90 minute computers and eight - 30 minute computers avail for use
- All of these resources available with only a library card, which is free
- DT Branch - Friends of the Library book sale - Oct 20-22

City Council - Candace Mumm

- Lots of work over the summer, major issue was process of hiring of police chief. By end of the month hope to have a top list of candidates.
- Property crime on top of legislative agenda. Extends beyond city issue, state decisions have reduced funding for supervisor programs for property crime offenses. \$300k going toward task force, education programs, etc.
- Riverfront park construction is fully underway. Skating rink and moving carousel will be first two large projects.
- Have hired Park Rangers to monitor park usage and address non-typical usage of parks or after hours not approved usage.
- CHHS meets monthly - all agencies that are working together to address homelessness in Spokane.

North Monroe Corridor Project - Mike Trautman

- Project slated to start in 2018.
- 9/15 7:30am at Corbin Senior Center - Business Construction Survival meeting
- No decisions have been made yet on design nor on construction
- City of Spokane website has an extensive amount of information about this potential project.

Garland Business District - Julie Shephard-Hall

- New colorful benches along Garland, money from benefits was used. Looking at garbage cans, cigarette butt containers, dog waste stands, etc.
- Getting a new bike kiosk through walk, bike, bus program grant. Will be on Lincoln next to US Bank.
- Street Fair recap - Turned out great again this year. Julie thanked neighbors for their help volunteering. Will likely be 2nd Saturday in August again next year.
- Oct 8th - Artspiration - Art event on sidewalks, hopefully party in Gathering House parking lot, etc. 1-6/7-ish. More details coming soon.

Thursday, September 8, 2016

- Murals in alley, working to create a street art alley. Working with local artists who have done murals in other areas of Spokane.
- Oct 29th - Harvest Days - Blood donations, Harvest Branch, etc.

Community Assembly - Sandy Gill & Charlie Kline (ONS)

- Meets once per month, reps from each of the 28 neighborhood councils
- Meet 1st Thurs of each month, starting in May will be meeting at West Central Community Center
- Planning and development will be starting to work on comprehensive city plan. Four open houses coming up. Information on ShapingSpokane.org
- Infill housing update, information will be shared
- Residential tree program moving over to urban forestry. Will not be doing free tree program this fall, look to resume next year.
- Traffic calming - on agenda for city council next week. Projects submitted last year are included in current bid package. Could be later this fall or early 2017 for implementation.