

MINUTES
Spokane Public Facilities District
Board of Directors
Spokane Veterans Memorial Arena Board Room
Wednesday, August 28, 2019
12:30 PM

ITEM #1 TO ORDER

Board Chair Larry Soehren convened the 762nd meeting of the Spokane Public Facilities District at 12:30 PM.

ITEM #2 ATTENDANCE

In attendance was Board Chair Larry Soehren along with members Nate Greene, Travis Tramp, and Mick McDowell. Board Member Marty Dickinson was absent and excused. District personnel included Stephanie Curran, Matt Gibson, Monte Koch, Ryan Wittstruck, Becca Watters, Jessica Deri, and Matt Meyer. Guests included Stanley Schwartz and Kim Kamel from Witherspoon Kelley, Eric Sawyer from the Spokane Sports Commission, Toby Hatley from Washington Hospitality Association, Bobby Brett and Dave Pier from Brett Sports and Entertainment, and Meg Winchester from Visit Spokane.

ITEM #3 CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. McDowell moved to approve the consent agenda, Mr. Greene seconded and the motion was approved unanimously, including the following:

- Approval of Minutes from August 14, 2019
- July Legal Invoices from Witherspoon Kelley totaling \$9,453.00

ITEM #4 DISTRICT BUSINESS

Art Committee

No Report

Finance Committee

Mr. Greene noted that they are working toward securing the surety bond, as discussed at previous meetings.

Operations Committee

Mr. Tramp reported that the committee met earlier in the day with staff. There is nothing new to report at this time.

Project Committee

Sportsplex

Mr. Soehren provided background on the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Development of Sportsplex with the City of Spokane. He noted that the First Amendment would adjust the first meeting date of the Joint Committee, as well as the due date to finalize the Joint Use Agreement. This change was due to several scheduling changes that occurred since the Interlocal Agreement was agreed to on January 15, 2019. It was mentioned that the Joint Committee would be conducting its first meeting later in the day and discussion then took place to identify the members of the Joint Committee. Mr. Soehren also commented that the Project Committee is working with the City of Spokane on the interface between the Sportsplex and the City's North Bank project. Mr. Tramp moved to approve the First Amendment of Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Development of Sportsplex. Mr. McDowell seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Soehren introduced the Letter drafted to request a no-cost vacation of a portion of west Cataldo Avenue for the Sportsplex project. Mr. Schwartz commented that the letter is addressed to City Council President Ben Stuckart, and will be presented to the City Council for consideration. This request shows that the vacation is clearly for public benefit. Mr. Schwartz noted the MOU in place with the adjoining properties for the vacation, and mentioned that it would be ideal to be in escrow with the Canopy Credit Union by the time the vacation request is heard by the City Council.

Ms. Curran discussed the conversations taking place with adjoining property owners regarding parking. There was further discussion regarding who will have the responsibility to maintain the properties.

Mr. Soehren relayed that the revised GMP is expected on September 19, 2019 and will be presented to the Board for their consideration on September 25, 2019.

ITEM #5 MISCELLANEOUS

There were no miscellaneous items to discuss.

ITEM #6 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Brett commented on the ongoing negotiations regarding the Chiefs and BS&E Agreements. Mr. Pier commented that the Chiefs will play some exhibition games later this week.

ITEM #7 ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 12:52 pm per RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g) Personnel for approximately 45 minutes. No action is expected. The Executive Session was subsequently extended for two additional ten minute periods. They resumed to regular session at 2:00 pm and the meeting was subsequently adjourned.

Stephanie Huff
Deputy Clerk of the Board

Approved by the Board of Directors

The SPFD Board's minutes are intended to be a reasonable summary of the Board's deliberations and actions. The minutes are not a verbatim record of everything said at the meeting. The minutes include all actions taken by the Board.