

Rockwood Neighborhood Council Meeting
April 15, 2025
Hutton Elementary School Library

Introductions

- The meeting opened at 6:30 with introductions; 16 residents (2 on zoom), and 4 guests.

City Updates

- Spokane Police Department Update (Officer Micah Prim)
 - Crime hotspots along 29th Avenue and Grand Boulevard.
 - As the weather gets warmer, crime increases. Call in suspicious activity.
 - Shut garage doors at night and don't leave valuables in vehicles.
- City Council Update (Lili Navarette)
 - Passed a resolution against cutting Medicaid for state and federal employees.
 - Cathcart proposed a good neighbor agreement for neighborhood councils.
 - Authorized \$350K for a contract with Evergreen Towing to remove abandoned vehicles and RV's.
 - Concern was raised about increased street parking, leading to more car prowling.
- City of Spokane Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) Update (Gabby Ryan)
 - The new ONS Director, Heather Hamilton, will be starting in June.
 - Other ONS highlights:
 - Lilac City Live – April 17th – 2025 is the year of the neighborhoods.
 - 25th anniversary of NS and the NCs.
 - Numerica skate ribbon is now open for roller skating.

Neighborhood Issues / Concerns

- No new issues / concerns
- Follow up on previous issues / concerns:
 - Planter Boxes near 19th and Grand
 - Our website claims that we planted plants here in the past.
 - Development at 1121 East 27th Avenue
 - Rockwood neighbors prepared comments on the permit application to subdivide this parcel into 4 smaller lots; the NC forwarded these to the city.
 - NCs are considered entities in the comment period.



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Business Meeting

Old Business

- Cleanup Committee – Neighborhood Cleanup (Elizabeth)
 - The Rockwood neighborhood cleanup day will be Saturday May 17th from 9:00 am until noon.
 - There will be roll-away dumpsters, electronics recycling and dump passes.

New Business

- Invasive Plant Event at Lincoln Park (Shawn Terjeson, Lincoln Heights)
 - Lincoln Heights NC will be hosting a **Noxious Weed Pluck** on Saturday June 7th starting at 9:00.
 - They received a grant from the Spokane Parks Foundation.
 - Spokane Urban Nature will be conducting one-hour tours.
 - There will be coffee and donuts.
 - Volunteers are needed for various tasks.
- Neighborhood Safety Committee – Mobile Speed Trailer Locations (All)
 - Requested speed trailers on Southeast Boulevard.
 - A resident requested a crosswalk at 17th Avenue and Southeast Boulevard.
- Events Committee – Annual Neighborhood Event (Tanya)
 - Unable to secure Washington Trust hot dog cart on the desired dates.
 - We will need to vote on the CE Grant application in May or June.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20

Next Meeting May 6th



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