

**Rockwood Neighborhood Council Meeting
February 3, 2026
Hutton Elementary School Library**

Introductions

- The meeting opened at 6:30 with introductions; 18 residents and 3 guests.
 - Two residents participated vis Zoom.
- MOTION to approve the January minutes passes.

Announcements

- The April meeting will be on the 14th due to Spring Break.

City Updates

- Spokane Police Department Update (Officer Micah Prim)
 - Connecting campers with services has been working well.
 - The Catholic Charities Street Teams of social workers are very helpful.
 - Call Crime Check (509-456-2223) if you have ring camera video that may be evidence of a crime.
- City Council Update (Andres Grageda)
 - ***Pathways to Eviction Prevention*** ordinance was passed.
 - Requires landlords to provide eviction prevention resources.
 - New Traffic Calming Process
 - Traffic calming proposals can now be submitted to 311.
 - Proposals submitted by March 31st will be included in the review.
 - Proposals can be submitted online or by phone.
 - CC Rules Update
 - Weekly Council meetings may move to Wednesdays.
 - Dave: Even though the state may pass a Kratom ordinance, it's still worthwhile for the city to pass one too.
- Spokane County Commission Update (Amber Waldref)
 - The Commission increased from 3 to 5 commissioners 3 years ago.
 - She was on the Spokane City Council from 2010-2017.
 - She was also vice-chair of the Logan NC.
 - Currently Struggling with a \$17M budget gap
 - Public Health and Safety task Force
 - Modeled after Whatcom County.



- Possible sales tax increase on ballot in November for public safety.
- Building a sobering and relief center with opioid settlement dollars.
 - In the West Central neighborhood, near the county offices.
- Comprehensive Plan
 - The Spokane comprehensive plan, as well as the other cities and towns in Spokane County, all roll up into the County plan.
- City of Spokane Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) Update (Bill)
 - Green bins will be picked up during the first week in February.
 - Spring Learning Series
 - Community Assembly 101 – Shadle Park Library
 - Saturday, February 21st from 10-11.

Neighborhood Issues / Concerns

- No new issues.

Business Meeting

Old Business

- Grand Avenue Restriping (Bill)
 - Three options have been proposed:
 - No changes.
 - Option 1 – 3 lanes with center TWLTL (two way left turn lane)
 - Two 11 foot lanes, 12 ft TWLTL, 3 ft shoulders
 - Option 2 – 4 lanes with TWLTL and 2 southbound lanes
 - Three 10 ft lanes, 10 ft TWLTL and no shoulders
 - Some Rockwood residents stated a preference for no changes.
 - **MOTION** to authorize the chair to send a letter to the **Transportation Commission** stating that if the decision were simply between Option 1 and Option 2, Rockwood would prefer Option 1, as well as a signalized crosswalk with refuge islands at East 21st Avenue.
 - MOTION Passes.

New Business

- Community Engagement Grant Application (Bill)
 - We are seeking a volunteer to be the Community Engagement Grant Coordinator.



- We are seeking volunteers to serve on the Events Committee to plan 2026 neighborhood activities.
- Request of \$150 by Cleanup Coordinator for food and coffee for cleanup day.
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Reports

- **CA Land Use Committee (Mary Stohr)**
 - The land use committee reviewed the draft EIS and prepared a 3 page summary document of concerns.
 - This will be presented to the Community Assembly on Thursday.
 - Of primary concern is the integrity of Spokane neighborhoods.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30

Next Meeting March 3rd

