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Agenda Item Name	0650 - 2019 UPDATE OF THE UNIVERSITY DISTRICT STRATEGIC MASTER PLAN

Agenda Wording

A resolution recognizing the 2019 update of the University District Strategic Master Plan as a declaration of the district's desired future condition,

Summary (Background)

In 2004, the City of Spokane Office of Economic Development and a consultant team developed the University District Strategic Master Plan, which identified a list of infrastructure, capacity building, and policy initiatives to catalyze revitalization of the 770-acre University District area. Since adoption of the plan, two organizations, the University District Development Authority (UDDA) and University District Public Development Authority (UDPDA) (www.spokaneudistrict.org) have been founded

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Agenda Wording

providing direction for district-based improvement activities and stakeholder priorities for future projects.

Summary (Background)

in order to further revitalization of the University District, and most of the projects identified in the 2004 plan are now either completed or well underway. In 2018, UDDA and UDPDA hired a team of consultants led by Community Attributes, Inc. to assist with and updated of the University District Strategic Master Plan. Outreach to business, community, and institutional stakeholders in the district included interviews, a two-day charrette/design workshop, and an online survey with 413 responses. The plan update envisions the University District as a globally-recognized "innovation district" focused on emerging strengths in education, research, and health care. The plan also includes a section focusing on the South University District subarea, identifying barriers to possible development within the subarea and goal areas and action items needed to implement

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Agenda Wording (630 character max)

Summary (Background) (583 character max)

the "Innovation District" vision. Planning staff will engage with a consultant and begin work on the South University District Subarea Planning in May 2019. Any land use changes or development code changes identified in this process will come before the Plan Commission and City Council.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2019-0028

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 2019 UPDATE OF THE UNIVERSITY DISTRICT STRATEGIC MASTER PLAN AS A DECLARATION OF THE DISTRICT'S DESIRED FUTURE CONDITION, PROVIDING DIRECTION FOR DISTRICT-BASED IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES AND STAKEHOLDER PRIORITIES FOR FUTURE PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, the City of Spokane has identified the University District as a key geographic area for economic growth and development, meeting criteria for inclusion in the City's Targeted Area Development Strategy adopted by Council Resolution 2010-0049; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, the City of Spokane Office of Economic Development and a consultant team developed the *University District Strategic Master Plan*; and

WHEREAS a majority of the priority projects identified in the 2004 University District Strategic Master Plan have since been completed or are substantially in progress, including the University District Gateway Bridge, Martin Luther King, Jr. Way Extension, Division Street Gateway project, and establishment of the University District Development Association (UDDA) and University District Public Development Authority (UDPDA); and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2018, the City Council passed Ordinance No. C-35599 amending Ordinance No. C-35565 to budget one-time supplemental funding to support the City's Public Development Authorities in the total amount of \$250,000; and

WHEREAS, the UDPDA utilized the above supplemental funding allocation to secure the services of Community Attributes, Incorporated and MAKERS Architecture and Urban Design ("the consultants") for the purpose of further studying the area, and involving the property owners and public in creating the plan and preparing a limited scope update of the University District Strategic Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the University District Strategic Master Plan update incorporates and builds on existing community planning documents and studies encompassing the district and contains a description of the district's history, character, existing conditions, and opportunities, and provides guidance for future actions directed at the development of a vibrant and healthy residential and business community; and

WHEREAS, the UDPDA and consultants conducted interviews with eight key stakeholders representing a variety of resident, business, and institutional interests in the District; and

WHEREAS, the UDPDA and consultants held a studio workshop on September 11 and 12, 2018, and an open house meeting on September 12, 2018 for the

purposes of collecting information from stakeholders and the public and developing the features of the plan; and

WHEREAS, the UDPDA, consultants, and City of Spokane distributed a survey on issues and priorities for three sub-areas within the district, which received 413 responses, 63% of whom live or work in the district; and

WHEREAS, staff briefed the Plan Commission at a meeting on March 27, 2019 and briefed the City Council Urban Experience Committee at their meeting on April 8, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the University District Strategic Master Plan update includes a "South Subarea Needs Assessment and Action Plan," which identifies barriers to development within three distinct sub-districts and recommends action items to identify these barriers; and

WHEREAS, as prescribed in SMC 04.12.010, this resolution does not represent a recommendation of the Plan Commission regarding a legislative action to adopt changes to the Spokane Municipal Code, the Official Zoning Map, or the text or the maps of the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the University District Strategic Master Plan update does not direct nor commit City resources for action or project implementation; and

WHEREAS, the plan documents the desires of the community stakeholders for City decision-makers as they consider future funding and implementation measures for City plans and projects, in the vicinity of the University District; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the UDPDA met on March 5, 2019 and voted to support the plan update; and, --

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL that the 2019 update of the University District Strategic Master Plan is recognized as a written record of the UDPDA and district stakeholders' ongoing desire and effort to continue building a vibrant, healthy, active, safe, and connected University District.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 15th day of April, 2019.

Verni L. G. [Signature]
City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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