

April 11, 2024, Regular Board Meeting

7:30 – 9:00 AM

7106 W Will D Alton Lane, Suite 103A, Spokane, WA 99224

## Minutes – Board Meeting

### Attendance:

**S3R3 Board Members physically present:** Al French, Greg Birchell, Larry Krauter, Scott Simmons

**S3R3 Board Members present online:** Paul Katovich, Betsy Wilkerson

**S3R3 Board Members absent:** Garrett Jones

**S3R3 Solutions Staff present:** Sueann Herkel, Executive Administrative Manager; Chris Pengra, Executive Director

**S3R3 Solutions Staff present online:** Taud Hume, Legal Counsel

**Guests physically present:** Julia McHugh, Citizen of Palisades Neighborhood

**Guests present online:** Marcia Davis, City of Spokane; Steve MacDonald, City of Spokane; Alex Sylvain, Parametrix

### Meeting called to order 7:32 AM

### Welcome and Introductions:

Roll call conducted, quorum is present.

### Public Comment/Courtesy of the Floor:

Julia McHugh voiced concerns about filling wetlands in the West Plains, specifically the Palisades Neighborhood. She is asking public officials to protect the public.

7:40 AM – Vice Chair Larry Krauter joins the board meeting.

### Action Item No. 1 Consent Agenda

Board Chair Al French called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Action Item No. 1 which includes minutes for the February 8, 2024 and January and February 2024 Financials. Board Secretary Greg Birchell motioned for approval, Board Member Betsy Wilkerson seconded, motion passed unanimously.

### Action Item No. 2 Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Spokane Regarding ARP Funds

The Spokane County Board of County Commissioners awarded S3R3 Solutions an allocation of up to \$2,000,000 from the ARP/SLFRF funding of which \$1,000,000 of that allocation is to be used by the City of Spokane for the construction of a booster pump station. The MOA provides for the reimbursement to the City for the cost of said project. Board Treasurer Scott Simmons discussed the trigger date of the end of 2024 and asked if Executive Director Chris Pengra was comfortable with that date; he is if the board is. Both parties acknowledged and are keenly aware of the timelines. Board Chair Al French called for a motion to approve Action Item No. 2. Board Vice Chair Larry Krauter motioned for approval, Board Member Betsy Wilkerson seconded, motion passed unanimously.

**Action Item No. 3 Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Spokane Regarding ARP Funds**

The Spokane County Board of County Commissioners awarded S3R3 Solutions an allocation of up to \$2,000,000 from the ARP/SLFRF funding of which \$1,000,000 of that allocation is to be used by the Spokane International Airport for construction of sewer improvements. The MOA provides for the reimbursement to the Airport for the cost of said project. Board Chair Al French called for a motion to approve Action Item No. 3. Board Secretary Greg Birchell motioned for approval, Board Member Katovich seconded, with an abstention from Board Vice Chair Larry Krauter, the motion passed unanimously.

**Updates, Presentations and Briefings**

Executive Director Chris Pengra updated the Board regarding his recent traveling schedule which held the purpose of developing industry understanding, building relationships and prospecting with the result being lead development. Mr. Pengra is projecting marketing material by the end of May for the Aerospace Conference. Board Vice Chair Larry Krauter thanked Mr. Pengra for hearing the direction of the board and proceeding accordingly.

An update on the Wetland Mitigation Bank included a briefing on the nine public comments as they were registered with the Department of Ecology. Our partners, Habitat Bank, will respond to said comments. The Mitigation Bank Instrument Review Team (IRT) will hold a scheduled kickoff meeting in the first two weeks of May, 2024. Stakeholder meetings are being planned ahead of the IRT kickoff meeting.

**Unfinished Business**

None

**New Business**

None

**Board Member Items**

None

The April 11, 2024, S3R3 Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:02AM.