

BOARD BRIEFING SESSION AGENDA FOR JANUARY 20, 2026

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Prepared by Ginna Vasquez, Clerk of the Board

The Board of County Commissioners will hold the above meeting in-person and remotely.

The in-person meeting will be held at 9:00 AM, or as soon as possible
thereafter, at the following location:

Board of County Commissioners' Conference Room – 1116 W. Broadway Avenue, First Floor, Room 101,
Spokane County Courthouse, Spokane, Washington.

The public may participate remotely via conference call by calling
1-877-853-5257 (MEETING ID: 856 7484 5677) and/or view the public meeting
via: Webinar Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85674845677> (MEETING ID: 856 7484 5677).

Any member of the public shall have the right to provide oral comment to the Board of County
Commissioners if the Board takes final action on any item on the strategic planning meeting agenda. A
final action is where the Board will take an actual positive or negative vote.

A maximum time not more than three (3) minutes shall be allowed for each oral comment.

Agenda items may be added to the agenda or taken out of sequence.

All documents made available in this Board Briefing Meeting Agenda are Draft form for Discussion and
Consideration only.

9:00 A.M. - BOARD BRIEFING MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. MEETING TOPIC(S)
 - a. Mike Burgess, Spokane County Lobbyist **(9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.)**
 - 2026 Legislative Priorities
 - b. Joey Gunning, CEcD - Director of Economic Development, Greater Spokane, Inc. (GSI) **(9:30 a.m. to 9:35 a.m.)**
 - Letter of Support for a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDs) for Spokane (GSI)
 - c. Erin Gurtel, Fair & Expo Director **(9:35 a.m. to 9:40 a.m.)**
 - Acceptance of the 2026 Lodging Tax Grant Award
 - d. Tori Peterson, Juvenile Court Director **(9:40 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.)**
 - Briefing on Intent to Apply for Federal Grant
 - e. Dr. Veena Singh, Spokane County Medical Examiner **(9:50 a.m. to 9:55 a.m.)**
 - Briefing on a Clinical Training Affiliation Agreement with Washington State University, Department of Anthropology to provide students clinical training

- f. Christa Rice, Treasury Operations Manager - Treasurer's Office **(9:55 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.)**
 - 2025 Refunds and Excesses
- g. Matt Zarecor, County Engineer **(10:00 a.m. to 10:20 a.m.)**
 - Consider revising Spokane County Traffic Code Section No. 46.44.0802 — No trucks over 16,000 pounds — Craig Road and Deno Road
- h. Matt Zarecor, County Engineer
 - Consider revising Spokane County Traffic Code Section No. 46.61.5701 — No Parking — Liberty Lake Road and Liberty Drive
- i. Matt Zarecor, County Engineer
 - Consider revising Spokane County Traffic Code Section No. 46.61.4155.2 — Twenty-Five miles per hour — Lindgren Road
- j. Matt Zarecor, County Engineer
 - Cheney Spokane Road Over BNSF Railroad
- k. James P. Emacio, Special Deputy Prosecutor **(10:20 a.m. to 10:25 a.m.)**
 - Quit Claim Deed — City of Spokane, Ashburn Village, Parcel No. 34032.1208
- l. Scott Simmons, CEO and Jeff McMorris, Sr. Director of Finance & Administration **(10:25 a.m. to 10:35 a.m.)**
 - Allocation of Interest earned on Investments
- m. Scott Simmons, CEO **(10:35 a.m. to 10:55 a.m.)**
 - Code Enforcement Officer and Abatement Activity Proposed Funding
- n. Chandra Fox, Dep Director of Emergency Management **(10:55 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.)**
 - Selection of new Alert & Warning platform
- o. Lieutenant Justin Elliott, Sheriff's Office **(11:00 a.m. to 11:20 a.m.)**
 - Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) Update
- p. Jeff McMorris, Sr. Director of Finance & Administration **(11:20 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.)**
 - 2025 Budget Follow-Up

3. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

- a. Groundbreaking Date/Time for PATH Diversion and Sobering Center
- b. Media, Press Releases, and Proclamations

Scott Simmons, CEO, possible executive session meetings on the following:

- Acquisition/Lease of Real Estate (RCW 42.30.110(1)(b))
- Sale /Lease of Real Estate (RCW 42.30.110(1)(c))
- Evaluate Qualifications of an Applicant for Public Employment or Review Performance of Public Employee (RCW 42.30.110(1)(g))
- Evaluate the Qualifications of a Candidate for Appointment to Elective Office (RCW 42.30.110(1)(h))
- Review Negotiations on the Performance of Publicly Bid Contracts (RCW

42.30.110(1)(d))

Matthew Folsom, Chief Civil DPA – possible executive session meetings on the following:

- Enforcement Action or Pending/Potential Litigation (RCW 42.30.110(1)(i))

4. ADJOURN

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) INFORMATION: Spokane County is committed to providing equal access to its facilities, programs and services for persons with disabilities. The Commissioner's Hearing Room at 1026 West Broadway is wheelchair accessible and is equipped with an infrared assistive listening system for persons with hearing loss. Individuals requesting reasonable accommodations or further information may call, write, or email Ashley Cloud at (509) 477-5750 (TDD), 824 North Adams Street, Spokane, WA, 99260; or acloud@spokanecounty.org. Please contact us forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting date.