

LEGISLATIVE SESSION PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 10, 2023

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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

The in-person meeting will be held at 5:30 PM, or as soon as possible
thereafter, at the following location:

PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING - 1026 WEST BROADWAY AVENUE
LOWER LEVEL, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM

The Board reserves the right to hold an Executive Session as authorized by Law on any item.
Information obtained during an Executive Session shall be "Confidential Information" under
RCW 42.24.035(4) and as such is Non-Disclosable.

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).

Written comments are accepted on Item 2 until noon, Monday, October 9, 2023 by email to the Clerk of
the Board at BOCCCLERK@spokanecounty.org or by mail/ personal delivery to Board of County
Commissioners at 1116 W. Broadway, Spokane, WA 99260.
Late written comments will not be considered.

Public testimony will be accepted on the Public Hearing Item
as provided for in the procedures set forth below.

HEARING AGENDA

5:30 P.M. or as soon as possible thereafter

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME
2. Meeting to consider expressing a Collective Decision or Voting on a Motion to Support or Oppose Measure No. 1
 - a. In the matter of expressing a Collective Decision or Voting on a Motion to Support or Oppose Measure No. 1, Entitled "Spokane County Two-Tenths of One Percent Sales and Use Tax for Criminal Justice, Public Safety, Correctional Infrastructure, and Behavioral Health Purposes" to be considered by the Voters at the General Election on November 7, 2023.
3. ADJOURN

4. PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURE:

a.

1. Sign up for public testimony will be available in the first-floor lobby of the Public Works Building beginning at 5:00 pm.
 - a. Individuals may only sign up for one public testimony spot (individuals may not sign up more than one person).
 - b. One hour is allotted for testimony in support and opposition to Measure No. 1 (30 minutes to each side)
 - c. The first 15 people to sign up to speak in opposition and first 15 people to speak in support will be allotted 2 minutes each.
 - d. Speakers will **not** be permitted to yield their time to another speaker.
 - e. Preference will be given to individuals who sign up to speak in person,
 - f. In the event that there is time remaining for public testimony, individuals attending remotely via Zoom will be solicited to speak.
 - g. Those attending via Zoom are encouraged to submit written comments by noon on Monday, October 9, 2023.
2. Doors to the Hearing Room will open at 5:15 pm
3. The meeting will begin promptly at 5:30 pm
4. The meeting will begin with public testimony.
 - a. Speakers will be called up to speak in the order in which they signed up.
 - b. Public testimony will alternate between those speaking in opposition and those speaking in support of the Measure.
 - c. The initial order of remarks will be determined by a coin flip.
5. Following the public testimony, the Board of County Commissioners will make remarks on Measure No. 1
 - a. 20 minutes have been allotted for remarks from the Commissioners (10 minutes in support and 10 minutes in opposition).

5. RULES OF CONDUCT

a. **STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

Consistent with provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act (chapter 42.30 RCW), all meetings of a majority of the Board of County Commissioners shall be open and the public and all persons shall be permitted to attend any meeting except as otherwise provided in chapter 42.30 RCW. Although all meeting will be open to the public, the

public has no right to speak at a meeting unless advertised as such or the Chair, in consultation with other Board members, determines testimony or presentation is appropriate. The public has a right to audiotape and/or videotape the meeting so long as it does not interfere with the orderly conduct of the meeting.

- Demonstrations, the displaying of banners, signs, buttons, apparel expressing opinions on political matters or matters being considered by the Board, applause, or similar actions will not be permitted at meetings to maintain the decorum befitting the deliberative, legislative or executive process.
- No boisterous conduct shall be allowed at any time.
- No person shall orally initiate charges or complaints against individual county employees at a public meeting of the Board.
- A speaker asserting a statement of fact may be asked to document and identify the source of the factual datum asserted.
- When addressing the Board, members of the public shall direct all remarks to the Board Chair and shall confine remarks to the matters that are specifically before the Board at that time.

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 Cameron at (509) 477-5750 (TDD), 824 North Adams Street, Spokane, WA, 99260; or acameron@spokanecounty.org. Please contact us forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting date.