# AMENDED CHARTER OF THE UNIVERSITY DISTRICT PUBLIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

#### **ARTICLE 1: Name and Seal**

Section 1.1: Name

The name of this Authority shall be the University District Public Development Authority (the "Authority").

Section 1.2: Seal

The Authority's seal shall be in such form as the directors shall determine.

## **ARTICLE 2: Authority and Limit on Liability**

### Section 2.1: Authority

The Authority is a public authority organized pursuant to RCW 35.21.730 - .755 and RCW 35.21.757 - .759 as they currently exist and may be amended (the "Act") and the interlocal cooperation agreement entered into between the City of Spokane "City") and Spokane County ("County") entitled "INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPOKANE AND SPOKANE COUNTY REGARDING THE REFORMATION OF THE UNIVERSITY DISTRICT PUBLIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ("the Interlocal Agreement") a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "1" and incorporated herein by reference. All provisions of the Interlocal Agreement are made a part of this Charter and adopted herein by reference. In the event on an inconsistency between the provisions of the Charter and the Interlocal Agreement, the Charter shall control.

# Section 2.2: <u>Limit on Liability</u>

The Authority is an independent legal entity exclusively responsible for its own debts, obligations and liabilities. All liabilities incurred by the Authority shall be satisfied exclusively from the assets, credit, and properties of the Authority, and no creditor or other person shall have any right of action against or recourse to the City of Spokane, Washington (the "City") or County of Spokane (the 'County"), its assets, credit or services, on account of any debts, obligations, liabilities or acts or omissions of the Authority.

## Section 2.3: Mandatory Disclaimers

The following disclaimer shall be printed or stamped on all contracts, bonds and other documents that may entail any debt or liability by the Authority.

The University District Public Development Authority is a public authority organized pursuant to the laws of the State of Washington, RCW 35.21.730 - .755 and RCW 35.21.757 - .759. RCW 35.21.750 provides as follows:

[A]ll liabilities incurred by such public corporation, commission, or authority shall be satisfied exclusively from the assets and properties of such public corporation, commission, or authority and no creditor or other person shall have any right of action against the city, town, or county creating such corporation, commission or authority on account of any debts, obligations, or liabilities of such public corporation, commission, or authority.

#### **ARTICLE 3: Duration**

The duration of the Authority shall be perpetual except as provided in the Interlocal Agreement between the City and County.

# **ARTICLE 4: Purpose**

The City of Spokane hereby delegates to the Authority the responsibility to undertake, assist with and otherwise facilitate the acquisition, construction, installation, operation and management of the public improvements authorized by Ordinance C34470 consistent with the interlocal agreement entered into between the City and the Authority.

Additionally, purpose of the Authority is to provide a legal entity organized under RCW 35.21.730 - .755 and RCW 35.21.757 to undertake, assist with and otherwise facilitate the acquisition, construction, development, equipping, leasing, operation and maintenance of public benefit projects ("the Projects") within the PDA boundaries as defined in the Interlocal Agreement in order to assist both the City and County in their ability to improve the economic conditions consistent with RCW 36.01.085 and RCW 35.21.703 in and around the City and County of Spokane. To the extent appropriate and consistent with the needs and objectives of the City and County, the Authority will acquire and manage real property, secure financing, undertake the construction and development of and otherwise accomplish all purposes required for development and management of the Projects.

To the extent appropriate and consistent with the needs and objectives of the City and County, and to facilitate or provide for the public improvements associated with development projects, the Authority will undertake and accomplish all activities necessary or convenient for the planning, operation and implementation of public improvements associated with specific development projects. Subject to Ordinance C34470, the Authority may initiate and execute agreements to finance and improve eligible public improvements within the University District Revitalization Area utilizing revenue mechanisms described therein. Expenses associated with administering the Authority may be funded by revenue generated by Ordinance C34470 consistent with state law and the interlocal agreement between the City and the Authority.

Additionally, to the extent appropriate and consistent with the needs and objectives of the City and County and to facilitate or provide for the Projects, the Authority will undertake and accomplish all activities necessary or convenient for the development, operation and implementation of the Projects, which by agreement of the City and County, may extend beyond the geographical boundaries of the PDA.

For the purpose only of securing the exemption from federal income taxation for interest on obligations of the Authority, the Authority constitutes an authority an instrument of the City of Spokane and Spokane County (within the meaning of those terms in regulations of the United States Treasury and ruling of the Internal Revenue Service prescribed pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1998, as amended).

#### **ARTICLE 5: Powers**

# Section 5.1: Powers

The Authority shall have and may exercise all lawful powers conferred by state laws, the Interlocal Agreement and Charter. The Authority in all of its activities and transactions shall be subject to the powers, procedures and limitations contained in State law and the Interlocal Agreement. Nothing in the Authority's Charter and Bylaws may contradict state law or the Spokane Municipal Code.

# Section 5.2 Powers Generally

Except as limited by the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington, the interlocal agreement, and this Charter, the Authority has and may exercise all lawful powers necessary or convenient to affect the purposes for which it is created and to perform authorized corporate functions, including, without limitation, the power to:

- A. own and sell real and personal property;
- B. contract for any corporate purpose with a government, individual, association or corporation;
- C. sue and be sued in its name;
- D. lend and borrow funds;
- E. do anything a natural person may do;
- F. perform all manner and type of community services and activities;
- G. provide and implement such municipal and community services and functions as the City and County may, by legislative or contractual action direct;
- H. transfer any funds, real or personal property interests or services;
- I. receive and administer federal and private funds, goods or services for any lawful public purpose;
- J. purchase, lease, exchange, mortgage, encumber, improve, use, transfer and grant security interest in real or personal property;
- K. grant or acquire options on real and personal property;
- L. contract regarding income or receipts from real and personal property;
- M. issue negotiable bonds and notes in conformity with applicable provisions of state law in such principal amounts as in the discretion of the board are necessary or appropriate to provide sufficient funds for achieving any purpose of the Authority, upon the condition that:
  - 1. all bonds and notes, and liabilities occurring thereunder, shall be satisfied exclusively from the assets, properties and credits of the Authority; and
  - 2. no creditor or other person may have any recourse to the assets, credit or services of the City or County, unless the city council or the county commissioners by legislative action expressly guarantee such bonds or notes;

- N. contract for, lease and accept transfers, gifts and loans or funds and property from a:
  - 1. government, including property acquired by any such governmental unit through the exercise of the power of eminent domain; and
  - 2. corporation, association, individual and any other source, and to comply with the terms and conditions therefor;
- O. manage, on behalf of a government, any property acquired by such entity through gift, purchase, construction, lease, assignment, default or exercise of the power of eminent domain;
- P. recommend to appropriate governmental authorities public improvements and expenditures in areas of the City or County in which the Authority by its Charter has a particular responsibility;
- Q. recommend to a government any property which, if committed or transferred to the Authority, would materially advance the public purpose for which the Authority is chartered;
- R. initiate, carry out and complete such improvements of benefit to the public, consistent with its charter, as a government may request;
- S. recommend to a government such tax, financing and security measures as the Authority may deem appropriate to maximize the public interest in activities in which the Authority by its Charter has a particular responsibility;
- T. lend its funds, property, credit and services for purposes of the Authority, or act as surety or guarantor for such purposes;
- U. provide advisory, consultative, training, educational and community services and advice to individuals, corporations, associations and governmental agencies, with or without charge;
- V. control the use and disposition of property, assets, and credit of the Authority;
- W. invest and re-invest its funds;
- X. fix and collect charges for services rendered or to be rendered and establish the consideration, if any, for property transferred;
- Y. maintain books and records as appropriate for the conduct of its affairs;

- Z. conduct its affairs, carry on its operations and use its property as allowed by law and consistent with this chapter, its charter and its bylaws;
- AA. name corporate officials, designate agents and engage employees, prescribing their duties, qualifications and compensation;
- BB. secure the services of consultants for professional services, technical assistance and advice;
- CC. identify and recommend to a government the acquisition by the appropriate governmental entity (for transfer to or use by the Authority) property and property rights which, if so acquired, whether through purchase or the exercise of eminent domain, and so transferred or used, would materially advance the purpose for which the Authority is chartered;
- DD. own and acquire property and property rights by purchase, gift, devise, or lease for the construction, maintenance or operation of off-street parking facilities, including the establishment and collection of parking fees and all other matter provided for in chapter 35.86 RCW and chapter 35.86A RCW;
- EE. exercise and enjoy such other powers as may be authorized by law.

The Authority shall also administer and implement the University District Revitalization Area (UDRA) program authorized by RCW 39.104 (Local Revitalization Financing), created by RCW 82.14.505 (Local Revitalization Financing Demonstration Projects) and implemented by City Ordinance C34730 (Creating Spokane University District Revitalization Area) as well as revenues collected for the UDRA by the City under SMC Chapter 8.17 and City Ordinance C34470.

<u>Section 5.3 Limitation on Power</u>. The Authority in all activities and transactions shall be limited in the following respects:

- A. The Authority has no power of eminent domain nor power to levy taxes or special assessments.
- B. The Authority may not incur or create any liability that permits recourse by any party or member of the public to any assets, services, resources or credit of the City or County.
  - 1. All liabilities incurred by the Authority shall be satisfied exclusively from the assets and credit of the Authority.

2. No creditor or other person may have any recourse to the assets, credit or services of the City or County on account of any debt, obligation, liability, act or omission of the Authority.

#### C. Use of Funds.

- 1. No funds, assets or property of the Authority may be used for any partisan political activity or to further the election or defeat of any candidate for public office.
- 2. No funds nor a substantial part of the activities of the Authority may be used for publicity or educational purposes designed to support or defeat legislation pending before the Congress of the United States, the Legislature of the State of Washington, the Spokane City Council or the Spokane County Board of Commissioners.
- 3. Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, funds may be used for representatives of the Authority to communicate with members of Congress, state legislators, city council members and county commissioners concerning funding and other matters directly affecting the Authority, so long as such activities:
  - a. do not constitute a substantial part of the Authority's activities; and
  - b. are not specifically limited in its Charter.
- D. All funds, assets and credit of the Authority must be applied toward or expended upon services, projects and activities authorized by its Charter. No part of the net earnings of the Authority may inure to the benefit of, or be distributable as such to, its directors or officers or other private persons, except the Authority is authorized and empowered to:
  - 1. compensate its officials and others performing services for the Authority, including legal counsel, a reasonable amount for services rendered and reimburse reasonable expenses actually incurred in performing their duties;
  - 2. assist its officials, as members of a general class of persons to be assisted by an Authority-approved project or activity, to the same extent as other members of the class as long as no special privilege or treatment accrues to such official by reason of status or position in the Authority;
  - 3. defend and indemnify any current or former director or employee, and spouse and marital community thereof, against all costs, expenses, judgments and liabilities, including attorney's fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon such director or employee in connection with or resulting from any

claim, action or proceeding, civil or criminal, by reason of being or having been an official of the Authority, or by reason of any action alleged to have been taken or omitted by him as such official, so long as the official was acting:

- a. in good faith on behalf of the Authority, and
- b. within the scope of duties imposed or authorized by law;
- 4. purchase insurance to protect and hold personally harmless any of its officials (including employees and agents) from any action, claim or proceeding instituted against the foregoing individuals arising out of the performance, in good faith, of duties for, or employment with, the Authority and to hold these individuals harmless from any expense connected with the defense, settlement or monetary judgment from such action, claim or proceeding;
- 5. sell assets for a consideration greater than their reasonable market value or acquisition cost, charge more for services that the expense of providing them, or otherwise secure an increment in a transaction, or carry out any other transaction or activity, as long as gain is not the principal object or purpose of the Authority's transaction or activity and the gain is applied to or expended upon services, projects and activities as aforesaid.
- E. The Authority may not issue shares of stock, pay dividends, make private distributions of assets, make loans to its directors or employees, or otherwise engage in business for private gain.

The Authority in all of its activities and transactions shall be subject to the powers, procedures and limitations contained in the SMC. Nothing in the Authority's Charter and Bylaws may contradict state law, the SMC or the interlocal agreement entered between the City and the Authority.

# Section 5.2: <u>Indemnification</u>

To the extent permitted by law, the Authority shall protect, defend, hold harmless and indemnify any person who becomes a director, officer, employee or agent of the Authority, and who is a party or threatened to be made a party to a proceeding by reason related to that person's conduct as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Authority, against judgments, fines, penalties, settlements and reasonable expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by him or her in connection with such proceeding, if such person acted in good faith and reasonably believed his or her conduct to be in the Authority's best interests and if, in the case of any criminal proceedings, he or she has no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. The indemnification and protection provided herein shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to

which a person may be entitled as matter of law or by contract or by vote of the Board of Directors. The Authority may purchase and maintain appropriate insurance for any person to the extent provided by applicable law.

# ARTICLE 6: Governance/Administrative Board

Effective January 1, 2020 the following Governance/Administrative Board shall be effective:

(1) <u>Formation</u>. There shall be seven (7) voting directors of the Authority. None of the director positions are subject to residency requirements. Some of the directors are categorically and perpetually appointed and some shall be elected by the Board. With the exception of the City staff and University District Development Association (UDDA) CEO, all other directors shall be voting members of the UDDA Board of Directors.

The Board composed of the following positions shall govern the Authority:

- a. Permanent Board Members (4):
  - i. One County appointment comprised of either an elected official or an administrative position selected by the County Commissioners,
  - ii. Two City appointments comprised of the Council President and a senior administrative staffer.
  - iii. The CEO of the UDDA.
  - iv. The County appointee shall hold his/her appointment for the term as designated by a majority of the Board of County Commissioners. The City Council President appointee shall hold his/her appointment so long as they are Council President. The City senior administrative staffer shall hold his/her appointment for the term as designated by his/her appointee.
- b. Elected UDDA Board Directors (2):
  - i. Two UDDA directors selected by the UDDA board from their elected membership.
  - ii. Unless removed in accordance with this Agreement, each director shall hold office for one year or until the director's successor has been selected and qualified. University representatives or proxies do not qualify for appointment to the UDPDA board.
- C. Jointly Selected Board Director (1)

- i. A seventh director of the board shall be selected by unanimous vote of the three permanent City and County directors. However, and notwithstanding the provisions in Section (1) C. i. above, this position shall automatically be filled, or as soon thereafter as is practical, by any governmental entity representative that otherwise chooses to contribute incremental tax to the University District TIF. Should this event occur, the tenure of the director chosen pursuant to this section shall be phased out within the ensuing 12 months or as otherwise deemed appropriate by a majority vote of the Board.
- ii. Unless this position is otherwise occupied by a governmental entity that has chosen to participate in the University District TIF (in which case the duration of its term shall be consistent with Section (1) above), the jointly selected board director will serve a year term and are eligible for indefinite annual reappointments.

# Section 6.4: Officers and Division of Duties

The Authority shall have four (4) officers. The same person shall not occupy both the office of Chair and any office responsible for the custody of funds and maintenance of accounts and finances. The initial officers of the Authority shall be the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers shall be members of the Board. The Chair shall be the agent of the Authority for service of process; the Bylaws may designate additional officials as agents to receive or initiate process. Further duties of all officers may be provided for in the Bylaws. The Board shall oversee the activities of the corporate officers, establish and/or implement policy, participate in corporate activity in matters prescribed by City ordinance, and shall have stewardship for management and determination of all corporate affairs.

# Section 6.5: Committees

In addition to the provision of an Executive Committee as outlined in Section 6.6 below, the officers shall have the ability to appoint advisory committees to the Authority. The appointment of other committees shall be provided for in the Bylaws.

# ection 6.6: Executive Committee

The Bylaws may provide for an Executive Committee, which shall be appointed and or removed by the Board, and shall have and exercise such authority of the Board in the management between meetings of the Board as may be specified in the Bylaws.

### Section 6.7: Removal of Board Member

Permanent board members may only be removed by their appointing authority except in the case where they hold their position as an ex-officio member in which case they shall hold the position while in the ex-officio position. Elected UDDA board members may be removed by majority vote of the UDDA elected membership. The Jointly selected board member may be remove by majority vote of the four Permanent board members.

Vacancies created under this section are filled in the same manner as provided in section 3.10.3 of the bylaws.

The term of any member nominated and confirmed pursuant to this section begins at the expiration of the term of the member being replaced and continues until the regular expiration of the term of the position being filled.

# **ARTICLE 7: Meetings**

# Section 7.1: Board Meetings

The Board shall meet as necessary but not less than six (6) times a year. Special meetings of the Board may be called as provided in the Bylaws. The Bylaws may provide that meetings shall be recorded and maintained by the Authority.

## Section 7.2: Open Public Meetings

All meetings of the Board shall be conducted consistent with the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA), Chapter 42.30 RCW. Notice of meetings shall be given in a manner consistent with the OPMA. In addition, the Authority shall routinely provide reasonable notice of meetings to any individual specifically requesting it in writing. At such meeting, any citizen shall have a reasonable opportunity to address the Board either orally or by written petition. Voting by proxy is not permitted. Participation by a board member by telephone or other electronic communication shall be permitted. Conduct of the meetings, including voting, shall be consistent with the OPMA.

#### Section 7.3: Parliamentary Authority

The rules of <u>Robert's Rules of Order</u> (revised) shall govern the Authority in all cases to which they are applicable, where they are not inconsistent with the Charter or with the special rules of order of the Authority set forth in the Bylaws.

### Section 7.4: Minutes

Copies of the minutes of all regular or special meetings of the Board shall be available to any person or organization that requests them as required by state law. The minutes of all Board meetings shall include a record of individual votes on all matters requiring Board concurrence. The Authority is required to maintain and provide in its office, at meetings and with the City Clerk a compilation of all minutes and proceedings of the Board and resolutions of the Board.

## **ARTICLE 8: Bylaws**

The initial Bylaws may be amended to provide additional or different rules governing the Authority and its activities as are not inconsistent with this Charter, state law, or the Interlocal Agreement. The Board may provide in the Bylaws for all matters related to the governance of the Authority, including but not limited to matters referred to elsewhere in the Charter for inclusion therein.

### ARTICLE 9: Amendments to Charter and Bylaws

### Section 9.1: Proposals to Amend Charter and Bylaws

Any Board member may introduce a proposed amendment to the Charter or to the Bylaws (which may consist of new Bylaws) at any regular meeting or at any special meeting for which five (5) days advance written notice has been given to members of the Board. Proposals to amend the Charter or Bylaws shall be presented in a format that strikes over material to be deleted and underlines new material.

## Section 9.2: Vote Required for Amendments to Charter or Bylaws

Resolutions of the Board approving proposed amendments to the Charter or Bylaws require an affirmative vote of a majority of the Board members voting on the issue, provided that such majority equals not less than four (4) votes.

# Section 9.3: <u>City Council and Spokane County Board of County Commissioners' Approval of Proposed Charter Amendments</u>

Proposed Charter amendments adopted by the Board shall be submitted to the City Council and Board of County Commissioners for adoption and approval. The power to alter, amend or repeal the bylaws and adopt new ones is vested in the board.

Section 9.4 Amendment of Bylaws. The initial bylaws shall be approved by the City and County. Future bylaw amendments shall be approved by the Authority and shall take effect ten days after the amendments have been filed with the City Clerk and the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners. The bylaws may contain any provisions for the regulation and management of the affairs of the authority not inconsistent with law or this Charter.

### ARTICLE 10: Commencement

The Authority shall commence its existence effective upon approval of its Charter by the City Council and Board of County Commissioners of Spokane, Washington. The Charter shall be issued in duplicate originals, each bearing the City's official seal attested by the Clerk as well as the County's official seal attested by the County Clerk. One original shall be retained by each Clerk and filed as a public record; a duplicate original shall be provided to the Authority. The City Clerk shall give notice of the issuance of the Charter to the Secretary of State and furnish a copy thereof and of this ordinance upon request.

#### **ARTICLE 11: Dissolution**

Dissolution of the Authority shall be in the form and manner required by state law, the SMC, and the Bylaws.

# **ARTICLE 12: Approval of Charter**

APPROVED by Ordinance No	adopted by the City Council of the City of
Spokane, Washington on	, 2019.
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	Council President

ATTEST:	
City Clerk	
Approved as to form:	
Assistant City Attorney	
APPROVED by Resolution No. Commissioners of Spokane County, V	19-1392 adopted by the Board of County Vashington on 000000 8 , 2019
SEAL MARCOUNT	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON  MARY L. MUNEY, Chair  AL FRENCH, Vice Chair  JOSH KERNS, Commissioner
Attest:	Approved as to form:
Dina Vasquez	John & Ousally  Deputy Civil Prosecuting Attorney

Clerk of the Board

# AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF THE UNIVERSITY DISTRICT PUBLIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

(Adoption Date: June 4, 2019)

#### **ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS**

#### 1.1 Authority

"Authority" means the University District Public Development Authority organized pursuant to RCW 35.21.730 - .755 and RCW 35.21.757 - .759 as they currently exist and may be amended.

#### 1.2 Electronic Transmission

"Electronic transmission" means an electronic communication that indirectly transfers a record in a tangible medium so that the record may be directly reproduced in a tangible medium and may be retained, retrieved, and reviewed by the sender and the recipient.

#### 1.3 Written Notice

Any "written notice" may be given by electronic transmission.

### **ARTICLE 2. OFFICES**

The registered office of the Authority in the state of Washington is 120 N. Pine Street, #292, Spokane, WA 99202. The Authority may have such other offices within the City of Spokane as the Board of Directors may designate.

#### ARTICLE 3. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### 3.1 Power

The Board of Directors shall manage the business and affairs of the Authority at all times.

### 3.2 Number and Qualification

There shall be seven (7) voting directors of the Authority. None of the director positions are subject to residency requirements. Some of the directors are categorically and perpetually appointed and some shall be elected by the Board. With the exception of the City staff and University District Development Association (UDDA) CEO all other directors shall be voting members of the UDDA Board of Directors.

#### 3.2.1. Permanent Board Directors (4):

- a. One County appointment, comprised of either an elected official or an administrative position selected by the County Commissioners,
- b. Two City appointments comprised of the Council President and a senior administrative staffer.
- c. The CEO of the UDDA.

d. The County appointee shall hold his/her appointment for the term as designated by a majority of the Board of County Commissioners. The City Council President appointee shall hold his/her appointment so long as they are Council President. The City senior administrative staffer shall hold his/her appointment for the term as designated by his/her appointee.

## 3.2.2 Elected UDDA Board Directors (2):

- a. Two, UDDA directors selected by the UDDA board from their elected membership.
- b. Unless removed in accordance with these bylaws, each director shall hold office for one year or until the director's successor has been selected and qualified. University representatives or proxies do not qualify for appointment to the UDPDA board.
- c. Elected UDDA directors can be selected to serve indefinitely on the UDPDA board as long as they are active UDDA board members.

### 3.2.3 Jointly Selected Board Director (1)

- a. A seventh director of the board shall be selected by unanimous vote of the three permanent City and County directors.
  - However, and notwithstanding the provisions in 3.2.3(a) above, this position shall automatically be filled, or as soon thereafter as is practical, by any governmental entity representative that otherwise chooses to contribute incremental tax to the University District TIF. Should this event occur, the tenure of the director chosen pursuant to this section shall be phased out within the ensuing 12 months or as otherwise deemed appropriate by a majority vote of the Board.
- b. Unless this position is otherwise occupied by a governmental entity that has chosen to participate in the University District TIF (in which case the duration of its term shall be consistent with Section 3.2.1 above), the jointly selected board director will serve a year term and are eligible for indefinite annual reappointments.

#### 3.3 Duties of a Director

Directors owe the Authority a number of duties. First, directors must act in good faith, meaning act with good intentions. Second, directors must act in the best interest of the Authority. Directors have a special fiduciary relationship with the Authority and have the duty to act for the benefit of the Authority, not for their own personal benefit. Third, directors must act with due care. As a fiduciary, the Board is entrusted with the Authority's money and must be careful with the use of those funds. Among other things, each director must evaluate existing programs to determine if they are run efficiently and examine financial statements to ensure the Authority has adequate funds to pay its debts and that those funds are being used to further the organization's goals and mission. Fourth, each director must act as an ordinarily prudent person would act. Directors are expected to use common sense and practical judgment, not necessarily be experts in every matter the Board considers. However, if a Board director has a particular expertise, then this person will

be expected to utilize this greater knowledge and be held to this standard in her/his conduct. Fifth, each director must sign and comply with the Authority's Conflict of Interest Policy and the Confidentiality Policy upon election or appointment.

# 3.4 Regular & Special Meetings

The Board shall meet as necessary, but not less than four (4) times a year. An annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held by the end of November at the principal office of the Authority or at such other place within the State of Washington designated by the Board.

- 3.4.1 Open Public Meetings. All meetings of the Board shall be conducted consistent with the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA), Chapter 42.30 RCW. Notice of meetings shall be given in a manner consistent with the OPMA. In addition, the Authority shall routinely provide reasonable notice of meetings to any individual specifically requesting it in writing. At such meeting, any citizen shall have a reasonable opportunity to address the Board either orally or by written petition. Participation by a board director by telephone or other electronic communication approved by the Chair shall be permitted with prior notice given to the Chair.
- 3.4.2 <u>Parliamentary Authority.</u> The rules of <u>Robert's Rules of Order (revised)</u> shall govern the Authority in all cases to which they are applicable, where they are not inconsistent with the Charter or with the special rules of order of the Authority set forth in the Bylaws.
- 3.4.3 Minutes. Copies of the minutes of all regular or special meetings of the Board shall be available to any person or organization that requests them as required by state law. The minutes of all Board meetings shall include a record of individual votes on all matters requiring Board concurrence. The Authority is required to maintain and provide in its office, at meetings and with the City Clerk a compilation of all minutes and proceedings of the Board and resolutions of the Board.
- Applicability of General Laws. A public corporation, commission, or 3.4.4 authority created under this chapter, and officers and multimember governing body thereof, are subject to general laws regulating local governments, multimember governing bodies, and local governmental officials, including, but not limited to, the requirement to be audited by the state auditor and various accounting requirements provided under chapter 43.09 RCW, the open public record requirements chapter 42.56 RCW, the prohibition on using its facilities for campaign purposes under RCW 42.17A.555, the open public meetings law of chapter 42.30 RCW, the code of ethics for municipal officers under chapter 42.23 RCW, and the local government whistleblower law under chapter 42.41 RCW.
- 3.4.5 Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the Chair or any director. Notice of special meetings of the Board of Directors stating the date, time, and place thereof shall be given at least twenty-four hours prior to the date set for such meeting by the person or persons authorized to call such meeting, or by the Secretary at the direction of the person or persons authorized to call such meeting. The notice may be oral or written. Written notice is effective upon dispatch if such notice is

sent to the director's address, telephone number, electronic mail address, or other number appearing on the records of the Authority. If notice of a regular or special meeting is provided by electronic transmission, it must satisfy the requirements of RCW 24.03.009. If no place for such meeting is designated in the notice thereof, the meeting shall be held at the principal office of the Authority. Unless otherwise required by law, neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors need be specified in the notice of such meeting.

Any director may waive notice of any meeting at any time. Whenever any notice is required to be given to any director of the Authority pursuant to applicable law, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the director entitled to notice shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of notice. The attendance of a director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting except where a director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully convened.

## 3.5 Quorum

At all meetings, except as otherwise provided by law or these by-laws, a quorum shall be required for the transaction of any business which shall consist of a simple majority of the directors.

## 3.6 Manner of Acting

If a quorum is present when a vote is taken, the affirmative vote of a majority of voting directors present is the act of the Board of Directors, unless the question is one upon which a different vote is required by express provision of law, the Charter or these Bylaws. Amendment of the Bylaws shall be by two-thirds vote of the Board.

# 3.7 Participation by Telecommunication

Directors may participate in a regular or special meeting of the Board by, or conduct the meeting by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time and participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting.

#### 3.8 Board Committees

The Board of Directors may, by resolution adopted by a majority of directors, designate from among its directors one or more committees, each of which must have two (2) or more directors and shall be governed by the same rules regarding meetings, notice, waiver of notice, quorum, and voting as applicable to the Board of Directors. Each such committee shall have and may exercise only the authority specifically granted to it by the Board of Directors or these Bylaws. The designation of any such committee and the delegation thereto of authority shall not relieve the Board of Directors, or any directors thereof, of any responsibility imposed by law on the Board of Directors.

3.9.1 <u>Advisory Committees.</u> In addition to Committees discussed in Section 3.8 above, the officers shall have the ability to appoint advisory committees to the Authority.

3.9.2 <u>Executive Committee.</u> The Authority is authorized to create an Executive Committee consisting of the officer positions described in section 4.1. The Executive Committee may include invited guests at any time, who shall be non-voting.

# 3.9 Resignation

Any director may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the Chair, the Secretary, or the registered office of the Authority, or by giving oral notice at any meeting of the directors. Any such resignation shall take effect at any subsequent time specified therein, or if the time is not specified, upon delivery thereof and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

#### 3.10 Removal

If it be determined for any reason that any of the non-permanent directors should be removed from office, the Board, by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote, may vote to have any non-permanent director removed from the Board.

#### 3.11 Dissolution

Dissolution of the Authority shall be in the form and manner required by state law, the Spokane Municipal Code, and the Bylaws.

#### 3.12 Vacancies

A vacancy on the Board of Directors may occur by the resignation, removal, or death of an existing director. Any vacancy shall be filled consistent with the provisions of 3.2 herein.

# 3.13 Compensation

No director shall receive any compensation, either by way of salary or fees for attendance at meetings or otherwise, nor shall any director be reimbursed for expenses, except pursuant to the authorization of the Board of Directors. This section shall not preclude any director from serving the Authority in any other capacity or from receiving reasonable compensation for such services and reasonable reimbursement for related expenses.

#### 3.14 Chief Executive Officer

The board is authorized to engage the services of a Chief Executive Officer who shall serve at the pleasure of the Authority. The Chief Executive Officer shall function as a representative of the board in the management of the Authority, shall have the authority to operate the business of the Authority pursuant to guidelines established by the Authority, and shall have full authority for direction of the employees of the Authority.

#### **ARTICLE 4. OFFICERS**

#### 4.1 Number and Qualifications

The officers of the Authority shall be elected by a majority of the directors and shall include a Chair, a Vice-Chair, a Secretary, a Treasurer and a Past Chair. Additional Officers, as deemed necessary by the Authority, shall not vote, and shall exercise only such powers and perform such duties as specifically delegated to them by the Board of Directors. Furthermore, unless specifically authorized by the Board of Directors, no "Additional Officers" shall have authority to sign documents on behalf of the Authority.

# 4.2 Appointment and Term of Office

The officers of the Authority shall be elected by the end of November in an annual meeting of the directors and shall hold office for one (1) year or until their successors are elected and have qualified. Any officer may be removed at any time, with or without cause, by majority vote of the directors. No officer shall hold the same office position for more than two (2) terms in the same capacity. Vacancies in any office shall be filled by majority vote of the directors for the unexpired term of the vacant office.

## 4.3 Resignation

Any officer may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the Chair, the Secretary, or the registered office of the Authority, or by giving oral notice at any meeting of the directors. Any such resignation shall take effect at any subsequent time specified therein, or if the time is not specified, upon delivery thereof and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

### 4.4 Chair

The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Authority, shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Authority, and shall perform such other duties as are incident to the office or are properly required of the Chair by the Authority.

#### 4.5 Vice-Chair

During the absence or disability of the Chair, the Vice-Chair shall exercise all the functions of the Chair. The Vice-Chair shall have such powers and discharge such duties as may be assigned to the Vice-Chair from time to time by the Authority.

#### 4.6 Treasurer

The Treasurer shall have the custody of all monies and securities of the Authority and shall keep regular books of account. The Treasurer shall oversee the disbursement of funds of the Authority in payment of the just demands against the Authority or as may be ordered by the Authority (taking proper vouchers for such disbursements) and shall render to the Authority from time to time as may be required, an account of all transactions undertaken as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the Authority. The Treasurer shall perform such other duties as are incident to the office or are directed by the Chair or by the Authority.

# 4.7 Secretary

The Secretary shall issue, or cause to be issued, notices for all meetings, except for notices of special meetings of the directors and the Authority which are called by the requisite directors, shall arrange and distribute minutes of all meetings, shall have charge of the seal and the Authority's books, and shall make such reports and perform such other duties as are incident to the office, or are directed of the Secretary by the Chair or by the Authority.

#### 4.8 Past Chair

The Past Chair shall serve on the Authority's Executive Committee, if so created and existing, and shall provide guidance and historic perspective to the Executive Committee during the one-year period after his or her term as Chair, and shall perform other such duties as the board shall require. If the Past Chair's board term has otherwise expired, this requirement shall not compel extending his or her term on the board. If the term has ended, the Past Chair may participate on the Executive Committee as a non-voting "guest," but is not otherwise compelled to do so.

# 4.9 Temporary Transfer of Powers and Duties

In case of the absence or illness of any officer of the Authority, or for any other reason that the directors may deem sufficient, the directors may delegate and assign, for a specified time, the powers and duties of any officer to any other director.

## ARTICLE 5. CONTRACTS, LOANS, CHECKS, DEPOSITS

#### 5.1 Contracts

The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Authority, and that authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

#### 5.2 Loans

No loans shall be contracted on behalf of the Authority and no evidences of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Board of Directors.

## 5.3 Checks, Drafts, Etc.

All checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Authority shall be signed by the officer or officers, or agent or agents, of the Authority and in the manner as shall from time to time be prescribed by resolution of the Board of Directors.

# 5.4 Deposits

All funds of the Authority not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Authority in an Authority controlled financial account. The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, with signature rights to the account.

#### 5.5 Loans to Directors and Officers

No loans shall be made by the Authority to any officer or to any director.

#### **ARTICLE 6. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

#### 6.1 Books and Records

The Authority shall keep correct and complete books and records of account, minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Directors and, if desired, any committees designated by the Board of Directors, and such other records as may be necessary or advisable.

#### 6.2 Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Authority shall be the calendar year or such other fiscal year as may be determined by resolution adopted by the Board of Directors.

## 6.3 Copies of Resolutions

Any person dealing with the Authority may rely upon a copy of any of the records of the proceedings, resolutions, or votes of the Board of Directors when such records are certified by the Chair or Secretary.

# 6.4 Amendments to these Bylaws

These Bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed, and new Bylaws may be adopted, by the two-thirds affirmative vote of the Board of Directors in so much as they are consistent with the Agreement and Charter.

# 6.5 Form of Seal

The seal of the Authority shall be in such form as the directors shall determine.

# 6.6 Voting Requirement

Unless specifically declared otherwise, all matters affecting the Authority may be determined by a vote of the directors, voting either in person or by telecommunication in compliance with section 3.5.1.

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