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## To / The Mayor and Each Member of Limerick City and County Council

## Visit to Spokane

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

An invitation was received from the Mayor of Spokane on the same day Councillor Michael Sheahan was nominated to the position of Mayor at the AGM on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2019, to attend Spokane Annual 'Our Town Gala' and to the dedication of a Riverfront Park as The Sister City Garden on 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2019.

The Limerick-Spokane Sister City Relationship officially commenced on 4<sup>th</sup> March, 1990 when the Mayors of Spokane and Limerick signed a joint agreement linking the two cities.

Foremost amongst the objectives of the relationship is to foster and encourage bonds of friendship and understanding between the two cities and to bring events of Irish culture to Spokane. There have been many exchanges, visits and links developed between the two cities since the initial agreement was signed in 1990.

The costs involved (flights, accommodation and transfers) will be in the region of €2,070.

In accordance with Section 142(5) of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended, the retrospective approval of the Council is hereby sought for the visit by Cllr. Michael Sheahan, Mayor of the City and County of Limerick, to Spokane, Washington State.

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James Clune

A/Senior Executive Officer

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