



Administrative Committee

Regular Meeting ~Minutes~

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Monday
September 24, 2018

3:00 PM

Council Chambers
206 E. Third St.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM

PRESENT: Gina Taruscio Chair, Art Bettge Councilmember, Anne Zabala Councilmember

OTHERS: Mayor Bill Lambert

STAFF: Jen Pfiffner, Alisa Anderson, Bill Belknap, Mia Vowels, Megan Vincello, Laurie M. Hopkins

1. Approval of Administrative Committee September 10, 2018 Minutes – Laurie M. Hopkins

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
AYES:	Gina Taruscio, Art Bettge, Anne Zabala

2. Amended and Restated Legacy Crossing Urban Renewal District Redevelopment Plan (ACTION ITEM) - Bill Belknap

Within the City's adopted 2015 Strategic Plan the Council has identified the deteriorating public infrastructure within the Downtown as a Major Challenge Area. During following joint meetings between City Council and the Urban Renewal Agency Board, the expansion of the Legacy Crossing District Boundary to include Main Street was identified as a priority. Amending the boundary would allow the Agency to partner with the City in future downtown streetscape and public infrastructure improvements. On April 2, 2018 at which time the Council directed the Agency to prepare a plan amendment for the Council's consideration. The Agency has completed that work and is now presenting the Amended and Restated Legacy Crossing Urban Renewal District Redevelopment Plan for the Council's consideration. The public hearing upon the proposed plan amendment has been noticed for October 1, 2018. This was reviewed by the Public Works Finance Committee on September 24, 2018.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Receive report and conduct the public hearing upon the proposed Amended and Restated Legacy Crossing Urban Renewal District Redevelopment Plan on October 1, 2018; or take other action as deemed appropriate.

Belknap gave a background of the proposed expansion including the steps leading up to the scheduled public hearing. The plan document outlines the purpose, goals and objectives of the project; documents compliance; identifies intended activities, improvements, and agency participation; and establishes financial feasibility. An infrastructure needs assessment and was completed in 2007 and reviewed in 2008 by public works and other staff. Belknap showed where water sewer and storm sewer and streetscape projects are proposed. The current levy rates would not vary and over \$12 million in tax increment is projected. The MURA board approved the transmittal to the council and P&Z reviewed the proposal and found it in conformance. Bettge said he is in favor with no questions. The Committee was in consensus to move the plan to a public hearing scheduled for October 1, 2018.

3. 2019 Idaho's Child Passenger Safety Grant - Alisa Anderson

The Moscow Police Department has participated in a Child Passenger Safety program since 2003 by applying for funding to purchase safety seats for children and participating in Child Passenger Safety Technician Instruction classes. The FFY2019 funding requested will be directed through the Idaho Transportation Department, Office of Highway safety. The request is for \$5,550 for child safety seats and materials and \$10,275 for training and recertification of child safety seat technicians, events, and educational materials. The Moscow Police Department will contribute \$1,200 of in-kind staff time and supplies for training during the award period for a total program cost of \$15,825. This was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Administrative Committee on September 24, 2018.

ACTION: Approve the proposed funding request to accept an anticipated award of \$14,325 from the Idaho Transportation Department, Office of Highway Safety or take such other action deemed necessary.

Anderson introduced Officer Vincello and said they were awarded less money last year but awarded consistently the past two years additional funding. The match amount is more like a contribution and is \$1,200. Staff is still finalizing numbers but will not exceed \$14,325. Because it is federally funded, certifications and assurances are required. Vincello said she will maintain the same path as in the past. The funds are based on reimbursement. The program begins October 1st and usually have anywhere between 5 to 8 reimbursements throughout the year based upon the funds spent. The Committee recommended approval and that it be placed on the Council consent agenda.

RESULT:	RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL CONSENT [UNANIMOUS]
AYES:	Gina Taruscio, Art Bettge, Anne Zabala

4. HRC Request for Statement in Support of Idaho Proposition 2 (ACTION ITEM) - Gary J. Riedner

The City of Moscow Human Rights Commission (HRC) has requested that Mayor Lambert and the Moscow City Council issue a statement supporting Idaho Proposition 2, Medicaid Expansion Initiative. Proposition 2 will be on the ballot in November 2018. In July of 2018, legislation known as the "Public Integrity in Elections Act" took affect that prohibits public entities from using public funds, resources or property to advocate for or against a candidate or a ballot measure. As such, it is recommended that the Mayor and Moscow City Council do not provide a statement for this measure. The legislation does not preclude public officials or employees from exercising their first amendment right to voice their personal opinion in regards to ballot measures, provided no City funds, property or resources are used for expenditures supporting the public official or employee in the development or dissemination of their personal opinion.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Receive request and provide staff further direction.

Pfiffner introduced the request. There has been some legislation changes this last session. By ballot measures, the Council is prohibited from taking any standpoint that uses City resources to advocate for or against a ballot measure. Vowels will continue research of the issue and determine if this falls into this category. If the Council cannot advocate, each member could personally advocate a stance. Mayor Lambert said he plans on supporting the proposition with a letter.

Dr. Schmidt also encouraged supporting through the Association of Idaho Cities (AIC) who can advocate on issues as a non-governmental entity. Lambert said the AIC Board will be discussing this issue at their meeting on October 4th. Schmidt said there seems to be a lack of understanding of the issue and that is what he feels needs to be addressed. Legal will bring more information to the next Council meeting. The Committee moved the issue onto the full council to receive a more informed legal opinion.

Reports

Modest Music Fest Report

Pfiffner said the music fest took place for the first time last year. The event will be held again using the same process of purchased wrist bands. Access to businesses will be maintained. A noise exemption is applied for but most of the music takes place early afternoon and evening as well as inside businesses.

Adjourn

The meeting was closed at 3:26 PM

