



Moscow City Council

Regular Meeting ~Minutes~

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**Tuesday
February 20, 2018**

7:00 PM

**Council Chambers
206 E. Third St.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Kathryn Bonzo Council President, Gina Taruscio Council Vice President, Jim Boland Councilmember, Brandy Sullivan Councilmember, Anne Zabala Councilmember, Bill Lambert Mayor

ABSENT: Art Bettge Councilmember

STAFF: Gary J. Riedner, James Fry, Dwight Curtis, David Schott, Will Krasselt, Joe Sieverding, Marie Miller, John Lawrence, Rick Whitmore, Tim Davis, Laurie M. Hopkins

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Boland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Moscow City Council February 5, 2018 Minutes – Laurie M. Hopkins

B. Approval of Moscow City Council February 6, 2018 Minutes – Laurie M. Hopkins

C. Disbursement Report for January 2018 – Gary J. Riedner

Staff will present the Accounts Payable Report for the month ending January 2018. This was reviewed, signed and recommended for approval by the Public Works/Finance Committee on February 12, 2018.

ACTION: Approve the Disbursements Report for the month of January 2018.

D. Salary Survey – Gary J. Riedner

In order to remain competitive in attracting and retaining quality employees, the City has committed to conducting a total compensation study (salary and all benefits) at least every four years. The most recent studies were conducted in 2006 and 2014. The cost of the survey is dependent upon the number of entities surveyed for comparison, the number of benchmarked positions and types of benefits to be surveyed. Jan Mason Rauk conducted the 2006 salary survey and is proposed to conduct the proposed survey. Staff proposes to utilize Administration Professional Services 101-030-10-520-26 in an amount not to exceed \$15,000. This was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Administrative Committee on February 12, 2018.

ACTION: Approve Jan Mason Rauk to conduct a salary survey at a cost not to exceed \$15,000.

E. Authorization to Purchase Playground Equipment for Morgan's Orchard Park – Dwight Curtis

Staff is requesting authorization to purchase tot lot playground equipment and safety tiles from Buell Recreation LLC, slated for Morgan's Orchard Park in the amount of \$36,400. The funding source is the Hamilton Fund, and was approved through the FY18 budget. The budgetary line item

for expenses will be Capital Projects 350-165-30-770-76. Per City Council Resolution 2017-07, individual projects will be authorized through the annual budget authorization. This item was reviewed by the Administrative Committee on February 12, 2018 and recommended for approval.

ACTION: Authorize staff to purchase playground equipment for Morgan's Orchard Park in the amount of \$36,400 from Buell Recreation LLC; funding source from the Hamilton Fund.

F. Request Authorization for Beer Garden for 2018 Moscow Renaissance Fair - Dwight Curtis

Moscow Renaissance Fair 2018 is requesting authorization to have a beer garden at their annual event in East City Park. The event is open to the public and is scheduled to take place from May 5 - May 6, 2018. This will be the event's third year requesting a beer garden and there have been no issues related to the request in the past two years. A resolution is attached for Council approval per City policy. This item was reviewed by the Administrative Committee on February 12, 2018 and recommended for approval.

ACTION: Approve beer garden request for 2018 Moscow Renaissance Fair per the attached Resolution.

G. Idaho Community Development Block Grant Award Requirements - Fire Truck - Alisa Anderson

On November 17, 2017, City Staff submitted a grant application for purchase of a fire engine to the Idaho Department of Commerce (IDOC) under the Idaho Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Public Facilities funding category. On January 27, 2018, the City received a letter stating the IDOC Economic Advisory Council (EAC) approved the advancement of the request to the addendum stage which requires additional information and requirements to be met in order to move forward to the final round for funding approval. A copy of the letter is attached to this report.

The letter from IDOC requested the City provide an updated bid for the purchase of the fire engine, a recently adopted Fair Housing Resolution, and a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Four Factor Analysis. Staff has obtained a new bid from the purchasing consortium for the fire engine, prepared a new Fair Housing Resolution for approval, and completed the LEP Four Factor Analysis for the City. The documentation for the requested information is attached to this report. This was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Administrative Committee on February 12, 2018.

ACTION: Approve updated Fair Housing Resolution to replace Resolution 2001-16 and approve the Limited English Proficiency Four Factor Analysis and determination that a Language Assistance Plan is not required to be developed at this time based upon current statistical information.

H. 433 and 421 N Main Street Lot Line Adjustment - Ryan Cash

Shelley Bennett is requesting a lot line adjustment between two parcels of land currently addressed as 433 and 421 N Main Street in order to accommodate setback requirements for a proposed building at 433 N Main Street. 433 N Main is currently 18,933 square feet in size and 421 N Main is currently 181,092 square feet in size. The applicant is proposing to adjust the common lot line between the two parcels in order to convey a 9 ft by 180 ft area from 421 N Main St to the southern parcel line of 433 N Main St. The subject properties are located in the Motor Business (MB) Zoning District which has no minimum lot area requirement for non-residential uses, and a minimum lot width of 50 feet. Both parcels will meet all requirements for the MB Zoning District. This was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Public Works/Finance Committee on February 12, 2018.

ACTION: Approve the lot line adjustment request with no conditions.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathryn Bonzo, Council President
SECONDER:	Gina Taruscio, Council Vice President
AYES:	Bonzo, Taruscio, Boland, Sullivan, Zabala
ABSENT:	Art Bettge

2. Staff Recognition Report - Gary J. Riedner

None offered.

3. Mayors Appointments

None offered.

4. Confirmation of Appointment of Mia Vowels - Gary J. Riedner

After conducting a search, Mia Vowels has been selected as City Attorney filling the position vacated by the resignation of Rod Hall. Ms. Vowels is the current Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for Latah County Pursuant to Moscow City Code, after appointment by the Mayor, the appointment must be confirmed by the City Council. Ms. Vowels is scheduled to start with the City on March 19, 2018 and will be sworn in as City Attorney at the March 19 City Council meeting.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Confirm Mia Vowels as Moscow City Attorney, or take other such action deemed appropriate.

Riedner introduced Mia Vowels and explained the interview process in which she was selected by the Mayor to fill the position of City Attorney. Per Idaho Code the City Council is required to confirm her appointment. If confirmed, she is scheduled to be sworn in March 19th.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathryn Bonzo, Council President
SECONDER:	Gina Taruscio, Council Vice President
AYES:	Bonzo, Taruscio, Boland, Sullivan, Zabala
ABSENT:	Art Bettge

5. Public Comment and Mayor's Response Period (limit 15 minutes)

None offered.

6. Public Hearing: C Street Alley ROW Vacation - Les MacDonald

The City has received an application requesting the vacation of a portion of the public right-of-way (ROW) located south of C Street and west of Home Street. A copy of the application is included in the packet. The request was made by Mr. Eric Lee Mittelstaedt, who is the owner of the property at 807 East C Street which abuts the property which is the subject of the vacation request. A vicinity map showing the proposed vacation area is shown on the attached public notice. A public hearing will be held at the February 20th Council Meeting to hear the petitioner's request and receive testimony pertaining to the request. Public notice of the hearing was advertised in the newspaper of record and mailed to properties within 600 feet of the subject ROW. The franchised utilities were notified of the application for the vacation. A copy of a draft ordinance vacating the ROW is attached. This item was presented to the Public Works/Finance Committee on February 12, 2018, which recommended advancing the item to a public hearing.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Hold a public hearing to accept public testimony on the matter of the C Street Alley ROW Vacation request, consider such testimony, and approve the vacation request by

adoption of the draft ordinance under suspension of the rules requiring three complete and separate readings and that the ordinance be read by title and published by summary; or deny the vacation request; or take other action deemed appropriate.

MacDonald explained the process for a right-of-way vacation and described the property as written above.

Mayor Lambert opened the public hearing at 7:12 p.m.

Eric Lee Mittelstaedt, applicant, said the origin of the property was a duplex and was converted to a single family home. Due to that change, the lot is now smaller than required for a duplex. With the addition of the right-of-way, it would have the minimum lot size to convert it back to a duplex to provide high quality housing in a tight housing market. This would not be geared towards students.

J. E. Freeland, 815 W C St Moscow, said he is in opposition. He is adjacent to the property that is requesting the vacation. His property is long and is landlocked. His home has a basement apartment and rely on the right-of-way for ingress and egress. He doesn't believe this is in the public interest. The fire access is a big concern for him.

John Freeland, grew up in the house and doesn't believe the alley could be constructed if given this vacation should his dad decide to divide the lot for another house. Fire access would also be a concern should a house be built. He is in opposition until fire access can be addressed.

Mary Engles, 807 W C St Moscow, believes access to the fire hydrant is city property so there would be no restricted access. MacDonald confirmed yes, the hydrant is in the C Street ROW. Engles said the vacation request is to bring us into compliance and there are no plans for development within this request.

Mayor Lambert closed the public hearing at 7:25 p.m.

Belknap said the International Fire Code requires 20 feet for access and the alley is currently 16 feet in width. The division of the property would require a flag pole with a minimum of 20 feet frontage. The R-3 zone does allow multiple buildings on the same property, without dividing, but would require adequate fire access to the new structure. Discussion ensued regarding access to the southern border of the property.

The vacation request by adoption of the draft ordinance under suspension of the rules requiring three complete and separate readings and that the ordinance be read by title and published by summary was approved by roll call vote.

RESULT:	ADOPTED ON FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jim Boland, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Kathryn Bonzo, Council President
AYES:	Bonzo, Taruscio, Boland, Sullivan, Zabala
ABSENT:	Art Bettge

Mayor Lambert read Ordinance 2018-01:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOSCOW, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, PROVIDING FOR THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF PUBLIC ALLEY RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF MOSCOW AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN SECTION 1 OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING THAT TITLE TO SAID VACATED PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY SHALL VEST WITH THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 3 OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT FROM AND AFTER PASSAGE, APPROVAL AND PUBLICATION ACCORDING TO LAW.

7. Public Hearing: Rayburn Street ROW Vacation – Les MacDonald

The City has received an application requesting the vacation of the remaining portion of the Rayburn Street public right-of-way (ROW) in the vicinity of State Highway 8 east of Stadium Way. A copy of the application is included in the packet. The request was made by Dan Ewart, Vice President for Infrastructure, on behalf of the Regents of the University of Idaho, which is the owner of the property on three sides of the property which is the subject of the vacation request. The remaining side is bounded by the right-of-way for State Highway 8. A vicinity map showing the proposed vacation area is shown on the attached public notice. A public hearing will be held at the February 20th Council Meeting to hear the petitioner's request and receive testimony pertaining to the request. Public notice of the hearing was advertised in the newspaper of record and mailed to properties within 600 feet of the subject ROW. The franchised utilities were notified of the application for the vacation. This item was presented to the Public Works/Finance Committee on February 12, 2018, which recommended advancing the item to a public hearing.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Hold a public hearing to accept public testimony on the matter of the Rayburn Street ROW Vacation request, consider such testimony, and approve the vacation request by adoption of the draft ordinance under suspension of the rules requiring three complete and separate readings and that the ordinance be read by title and published by summary; or deny the vacation request; or take other action deemed appropriate.

MacDonald introduced the item as described above, presented aerial photos of the area and gave a history of the property. The draft ordinance does retain an easement for utilities. The sewer line runs on the east side of the property and is active.

Mayor Lambert opened the public hearing at 7:44 p.m.

Dan Ewart, Vice President for University of Idaho, said a street isn't needed in this location. The University is happy to support easements for utilities. The long range campus development plan there would be frontage improvements along the highway but are well in the future. The University wants to preserve the riparian area.

Mayor Lambert closed the public hearing at 7:46 p.m.

Sullivan said it makes sense to not have a piece that disrupts the continuity of the riparian area. Boland asked about additional access to the Pullman Highway. MacDonald said it would be the decision of ITD whether or not to provide access to the highway, which they prefer not to.

The vacation request by adoption of the draft ordinance under suspension of the rules requiring three complete and separate readings and that the ordinance be read by title and published by summary was approved by roll call vote.

RESULT:	ADOPTED ON FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathryn Bonzo, Council President
SECONDER:	Gina Taruscio, Council Vice President
AYES:	Bonzo, Taruscio, Boland, Sullivan, Zabala
ABSENT:	Art Bettge

Mayor Lambert read Ordinance 2018-02:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOSCOW, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, PROVIDING FOR THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF PUBLIC STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF MOSCOW AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN SECTION 1

OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING THAT TITLE TO SAID VACATED PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY SHALL VEST WITH THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 3 OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT FROM AND AFTER PASSAGE, APPROVAL AND PUBLICATION ACCORDING TO LAW.

8. Public Hearing: Lande Lane Lot Division Request – Ryan Cash

Mr. Tom Golis is requesting a lot division to establish four lots from the two platted lots which are currently legally described as Lot 1 and Lot 2 of Block B, Christopher's Crossing Addition. The subject lots were originally platted within the Christopher's Crossing Subdivision and were to be served by the extension of Lande Lane which terminated with a standard cul-de-sac. The plat also included a pedestrian easement which provided a pedestrian connection from Hirschi Road to Lande Lane. The sidewalk in this easement has been constructed from Hirschi Road to the northern boundary of the subject property. During development of the subdivision, the developer ran into financial difficulties and all of the public improvements and building lots within the subject subdivision were completed and developed, with the exception of the Lande Lane cul-de-sac and the subject lots. Since that time (approximately 2001) the subject property has sat undeveloped due to construction impediments (grades, utility poles, and off-site sewer service extensions) which several developers report has made it financial infeasible to develop the property in the original platted configuration.

On March 19, 2007 the City Council approved a lot division proposal to create three lots from the original two lots, relocate the pedestrian easement on the property, and allow for the construction of an alternate cul-de-sac design. Additional right-of-way was dedicated as part of this proposal to allow for the construction of the alternate cul-de-sac design, and a portion of right-of-way was vacated since the cul-de-sac had been relocated further to the north. Although the lot division was approved in 2007, no further action has been taken to develop the subject property.

Mr. Golis' lot division proposal requires several separate actions including the approval of the proposed lot division, approval of the variance from the street standards to allow the hammerhead turnaround, and the vacation of the excess public right-of-way that would no longer be necessary if the hammerhead turnaround is allowed. The vacation of the public right-of-way does require that the City Council conduct a public hearing to receive public testimony upon the request and to make a determination that vacation of the right-of-way is expedient for the public good. These actions are further described in the Council Committee Staff Report included in the packet. These items were reviewed by the Public Works/Finance Committee on February 12, 2018.

PROPOSED ACTIONS:

- A. Approve the lot division request with the conditions that the vacation of right-of-way and engineering variance are approved, dedication of additional right of way is made, a Deed of Dedication is made for the 15' wide pedestrian easement between lots 3 and 4, and all public improvements are constructed, or the developer enters into a development agreement and security is posted to secure such improvements prior to any building permits being issued upon the subject property; or deny the lot division request; or take other such action deemed appropriate.
- B. Approve the variance request to build a permanent Type III Turnaround per Standard Construction Drawing #5, or deny the variance request, or take other such action deemed appropriate.
- C. Hold a public hearing to accept public testimony on the matter of the Lande Lane ROW vacation request, consider such testimony, and approve the vacation request by adoption of the draft ordinance under suspension of the rules requiring three complete and separate readings and that the ordinance be read by title and published by summary; or take other such action deemed appropriate.

Mayor Lambert asked for confirmation on order. Riedner said the items do need to be heard in the order in which they are on the agenda.

Belknap introduced the lot division by describing the area and going over history of the property. This portion of the Christopher's Crossing Subdivision was never developed after platting due to utility and cul-de-sac issues not being financially viable. In 2007, there was a proposal to divide the property into three lots with a modified cul-de-sac located farther into the property. The proposal was for two flag pole lots and a third lot to the south. This also included a remnant parcel on the east and a condition to reroute the pedestrian easement. The new proposal is to reconfigure into four building lots with a hammerhead turnaround. The remnant parcel would be added to Parcel 4 and with this proposal, all lots are well within the lot size requirement. This proposal includes a new pedestrian easement and a vacation of the previous easement. Belknap went through the staff recommendations and conditions.

A development agreement is often used when the sequence of development doesn't make sense to have public improvements completed before certain phases of construction. If a development agreement is the option the developer chooses, it would come before Council with a time frame for completion of those improvements. The easement is still proposed to tie into the pedestrian easement to the north.

The lot division request with the conditions that the vacation of right-of-way and variance from street standards are approved, dedication of additional right of way is made, a Deed of Dedication is made for the 15' wide pedestrian easement between lots 3 and 4, and all public improvements are constructed, or the developer enters into a development agreement and security is posted to secure such improvements prior to any building permits being issued upon the subject property was approved by roll call vote.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jim Boland, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Kathryn Bonzo, Council President
AYES:	Bonzo, Taruscio, Boland, Sullivan, Zabala
ABSENT:	Art Bettge

MacDonald described the standard construction drawings for a cul-de-sac. The standard construction drawings were adopted by the City Council in 2014. This standard is much larger than when Christopher's Crossings was developed. The hammerhead turnaround was previously a standard but upon adoption in 2014, it was moved to a temporary turnaround where it is normally used at the end of a subdivision until the next area is developed. This hammerhead proposal is at 28 feet which is the minimum public street width at a dead end street. Because the street will not be extended, it meets the street minimum requirement. The variance is to allow a hammerhead style turnaround rather than the standard cul-de-sac from the adopted standard drawings. The Fire Department reviewed all the standard construction drawings prior to adoption in 2014.

The variance request to build a permanent Type III Turnaround per Standard Construction Drawing #5 was approved by roll call vote.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathryn Bonzo, Council President
SECONDER:	Brandy Sullivan, Councilmember
AYES:	Bonzo, Taruscio, Boland, Sullivan, Zabala
ABSENT:	Art Bettge

MacDonald described the current ROW and what is proposed to be vacated. He also showed a map of the pedestrian easement and how it is proposed to meet up with Hirschi Road.

Mayor Lambert opened the public hearing at 8:16 p.m.

Scott Becker, 405 S Washington, Hodge and Associates, thanked staff for the introduction.

Bonzo disclosed she lives on Highland but there is no conflict of interest.

No testimony was offered. Mayor Lambert closed the public hearing at 8:17 p.m.

The Lande Lane right-of-way vacation request by adoption of the draft ordinance under suspension of the rules requiring three complete and separate readings and that the ordinance be read by title and published by summary was approved by roll call vote.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathryn Bonzo, Council President
SECONDER:	Jim Boland, Councilmember
AYES:	Bonzo, Taruscio, Boland, Sullivan, Zabala
ABSENT:	Art Bettge

Mayor Lambert read Ordinance 2018-03:

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9. Sanitation System Planning Services - Tim Davis

The City of Moscow issued a Request for Qualifications for development of a Comprehensive Sanitation System Master Plan on November 28, 2017. A selection committee, consisting of four staff members, a City Council member, a Sustainable Environment Commission member and a Latah Sanitation/Moscow Recycling representative, interviewed and selected Great West Engineering of Boise, Idaho. Key elements of the planning process include recycling program and facility evaluation, development of a recycle center layout concept including concept level cost estimates, solid waste program review and assessment and a local material recovery facility feasibility analysis. This project will also involve considerable public engagement by means of an advisory stakeholder group, three focus group interviews and a citizen survey to better understand the community needs in the development of a new convenience recycling and yard waste facility. Staff has negotiated the attached agreement with Great West Engineering for Sanitation System Planning Services in the amount of \$63,641.00. Funding is proposed from Sanitation Professional Services, line item 240-240-50-642-10 in the amount of \$35,000, with the balance from Solid Waste Development, line item 240-255-50-662-14. The planning project is expected to be completed by September 2018.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve Sanitation System Planning Services Agreement with Great West Engineering, Inc., or take such other action deemed appropriate.

Davis introduced the item as written above. The Council had no questions.

The Sanitation System Planning Services Agreement with Great West Engineering, Inc. was approved by roll call vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Gina Taruscio, Council Vice President
SECONDER:	Anne Zabala, Councilmember
AYES:	Bonzo, Taruscio, Boland, Sullivan, Zabala
ABSENT:	Art Bettge

**10. Request Hamilton Funds for Purchase and Installation of Wheelchair Swing in East City Park
- Dwight Curtis**

Staff is requesting authorization to utilize funds from the Hamilton Fund for the purchase and installation of a specialized wheelchair swing in East City Park. There are presently no swings in any playground in the City of Moscow that are wheelchair accessible. The purchase cost, shipping and installation is \$34,000, and was not anticipated in the FY18 adopted budget. Moscow City Council Resolution 2017-07 authorizes Hamilton Funds to be utilized for the purchase and installation of playgrounds in Moscow's parks. As the purchase of the wheelchair swing was not authorized in the FY2018 budget, if approved, the funding could be appropriated by City Council in the open budget process in August, 2018. The budgetary line item for expenses will be Capital Projects 350-165-30-770-76.

This request was considered by the Parks and Recreation Commission at its January 25, 2018 meeting and recommended to forward to City Council for its consideration and approval. This item was reviewed by the Administrative Committee on February 12, 2018 and recommended for approval.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve purchase and installation of the wheelchair accessible “iSwing” in East City Park, using an estimated \$3,000 funds donation from the Moscow High School Buddy Club and the remaining funds from the Hamilton Fund for a total of \$34,000, or take other such action deemed appropriate.

Curtis played a news video regarding the installation of a wheelchair swing. There are no wheelchair swings currently in any of the Moscow parks. The proposal includes a concrete pad with safety tiles. The Moscow High School Buddy Club received a \$1,500 grant to go towards this project and are also fundraising. They estimate a total of \$3,000 to support this swing project. If approved, Curtis said staff will purchase right away so it can be installed as weather permits. Ms. Werner and Ms. Bales are co-presidents of the Buddy Club. The Club’s mission is to promote inclusion and create events for kids with disabilities. Two years ago the club won grant and thought this was a great project to use some of those funds. East City Park was suggested to house the swing as it is close to the high school. Staff will complete the installation and it will be placed close to the big kids’ playground facing the bigger kids to be close to their peers.

The purchase and installation of the wheelchair accessible “iSwing” in East City Park, using an estimated \$3,000 funds donation from the Moscow High School Buddy Club and the remaining funds from the Hamilton Fund for a total of \$34,000 was approved by roll call vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Brandy Sullivan, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Gina Taruscio, Council Vice President
AYES:	Bonzo, Taruscio, Boland, Sullivan, Zabala
ABSENT:	Art Bettge

11. General Obligation Bond Discussion and Request for Direction - Gary J. Riedner

In the FY2018 budget, the City Council contemplated a May 2018 general obligation bond election for the siting and construction of a new Police facility. On November 20, 2017, City Council directed that

staff develop and prepare a public facilities bond election in May, 2018 to fund the siting and construction of a Police Facility on the site of the current Moscow Recycling Center facility, repurposing of the current police facility and minimal renovations to the Mann Building. Staff is proposing rescheduling the bond election from May 2018 to May 2019 for reasons contained in the accompanying Council Committee Staff Report included in the packet.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Direct staff to reschedule the public facilities bond election authorized at the November 20, 2017 City Council meeting from May 2018 to May 2019; or take such other action deemed appropriate.

Riedner gave a history of the bond discussion including the identified challenges within the City's Strategic Plan as well as details from the City Facilities Master Plan which recommended a new police station. Staff recommends postponing the bond until May 2019 so that staff can continue refining conceptual plans and construction cost estimates, include appropriations for the bond and recycling center proposal in the FY2019 budget, bring a final proposed facilities project package to the Council for review and approval in fall 2018 and complete the comprehensive assessment and master planning process for sanitation. This will also provide more time for answers to the public's questions. The recycling center is not in the timeline because it was not to be part of the bond. It is not anticipated that moving to a new facility would require additional staff. Staff will continue to refine numbers through the year building flexibility and contingency so that the Council has best estimate to review.

Reschedule of the public facilities bond election authorized at the November 20, 2017 City Council meeting from May 2018 to May 2019 was approved by roll call vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kathryn Bonzo, Council President
SECONDER:	Gina Taruscio, Council Vice President
AYES:	Bonzo, Taruscio, Boland, Sullivan, Zabala
ABSENT:	Art Bettge

Reports

City Council

Transportation Commission - Taruscio reported the Commission is working with SMART Transit on a survey to determine extended hours and another route.

Moscow Volunteer Fire Department - Taruscio said there are different hat colors for different ranking.

Human Rights Commission - Boland said there will be a gathering on March 24 regarding gun violence. They are also interested in how they can help with Syringa and Sojourners.

Palouse Basin Aquifer Committee - Boland reported they started a new research project to assess the flow within the two aquifers and the extent of the water contained.

Moscow Pathways Commission - Sullivan said the Commission was asked to give input on the block selection for the Styner underpass; fine-tuning their goals for orphan paths; working on their 2019 budget request.

Sustainable Environment Commission - Sullivan reported they are accepting Earth Day award nominations.

Moscow Arts Commission - Bonzo said they are working on strategic planning; completed mission statement; presentation on granting applications; public art brochure is in process; a photographer was chosen for the Art Walk poster, governor awards and poet laureate coming up.

Planning and Zoning Commission - Zabala said the Commission reviewed code revisions where they are moving from a narrative to table format; reviewed proposed language for the Comprehensive Plan from the library which includes possible maker space.

SMART Transit - Zabala said they had presentations about a survey; audit presentation from Hayden and Ross; discussed the possibility of purchasing a bus from a company out of Spokane.

Mayor

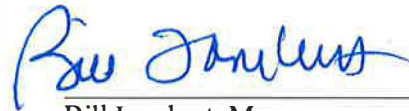
The Mayor participated in AIC board meeting conference calls and talked about legislation. Representative Caroline Troy and Dan Johnson have been very helpful. The State of the City is tomorrow. March 1st is the next Poverty on the Palouse forum.

Staff

No report.

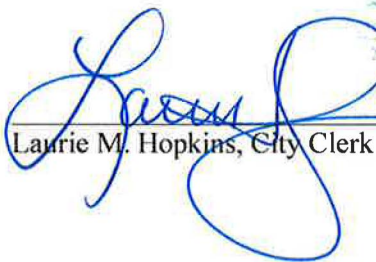
Adjourn

The meeting was closed at 9:27 PM



Bill Lambert, Mayor

ATTEST:



Laurie M. Hopkins, City Clerk

