

**MOSCOW PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION–
MOSCOW TREE COMMISSION
JOINT MEETING
Hamilton Indoor Recreation Center
Multipurpose Room
1724 East F Street
Moscow ID**

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

5:36 p.m.

WELCOME AND ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Robby Cooper, Daniel Cronin, Clark Filip, Mary Jo Hamilton, Mark Heinlein, Deborah Kadlec, Ted Kisha, Susan Petersen, Susan Steele

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Kristin Graham, Staff; Torrie Pfefferkorn, Parks and Recreation Intern; David Schott, Parks and Recreation Assistant Director; Parks and Recreation Director Dwight Curtis, Staff Liaison

Consideration of the Harvest Park Conceptual Plan (ACTION ITEM) – Schott

Assistant Parks and Recreation Director David Schott gave a brief overview of Harvest Park and the park development process. He also shared the park's vision statement, approved by the Moscow Tree Commission:

Harvest Park is a long term, dynamic landscape. This unique space is intended to provide educational opportunities and an example to our community of stewardship of a public food forest. This unique space will create a sense of place and community pride for the City of Moscow for generations to come.

Schott presented the draft conceptual plan for Harvest Park. He emphasized that the park will take many years to develop and will be done in phases as funding allows. He said the City is anticipating that the community will be involved with the park in many ways, including donations of plant material and park maintenance; he also emphasized the importance of drawing on the experience and expertise available within our community and the park's Core Development Team and of being flexible with the long-term development of Harvest Park. Phase 1, which will include a staging area, park access, site utilities, some pathways, and an amphitheater/education area, will cost approximately \$197,000. Phases 2 and 3, which will include the installation of more pathways, are estimated to cost approximately \$58,170.00 and \$55,883.00 respectively; Schott said there will likely be opportunities for grants to help with some of the costs.

Schott said if the draft conceptual plan is approved by the members of the Moscow Tree Commission and the Parks and Recreation Commission, it will be presented to the Public Works/Finance Committee meeting on August 26, 2019, after which it will be presented to City Council. The City anticipates installing the water booster station in 2020; Harvest Park development could begin in 2021.

Kadlec asked whether any work can begin prior to the earthwork being started. Schott said they may be able to start on some of the elements. Kisha asked how big the amphitheater will be. Schott said he

did not know the exact dimensions; it will be large enough to host educational programs, but will not be huge. Cooper asked whether there is a priority list within phasing levels; Schott said the Core Development Team will be working on the priority lists for each phase of development. Several questions were raised about access from Indian Hills Drive; Schott said access from Indian Hills Drive will be developed eventually, but the development of the main entrance is the current priority. Questions were asked regarding the anticipated volunteer work and if standards for such work will be set by the City; Schott said the City will have the final say and oversight on any volunteer projects. Kisha wondered what impact the park will have on local produce vendors; Schott said the focus of the park will be more on education, but this is one of the items that the core development team will be considering as it continues to work on the plans. Curtis added that this is a long-term project, so many of the details have not been worked out yet. He also said that as this is still a conceptual plan, changes can and likely will happen as park development progresses.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend approval of the Harvest Park conceptual plan or take other such actions deemed appropriate.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY ACCLAMATION VOTE (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Parks and Recreation Commission – Kisha; Tree Commission - Hamilton
SECONDER:	Parks and Recreation Commission – Steele; Tree Commission - Cronin
AYES:	Cooper, Cronin, Filip, Hamilton, Heinlein, Kadlec, Kisha, Petersen, Steele

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 pm

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