

Administrative Committee



Regular Meeting ~Agenda~

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4:00 PM

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

The Moscow Mayor, City Council and Staff welcome you to today's meeting. The meeting is open to the public but due to the continued presence of COVID-19 cases in our area, we encourage those that have not received the COVID-19 vaccination, to continue to keep 6-foot physical distance from non-household members and wear face coverings when distance is unable to be maintained. We appreciate and encourage public participation. For regular agenda items, an opportunity for public comment is sometimes provided after the staff report. However, the formality of procedures varies with the purpose and subject of the agenda item and limitations may be placed on the time allowed for comments. If you plan to address the Committee, you will find a list of "Tips for Addressing the Council" in the door pocket outside the City Council Chambers. Citizens wishing to comment on business on the agenda may also communicate with the City Council through email (council@ci.moscow.id.us). Please note that Council Committee meetings are televised, videotaped and/or recorded. The meeting is streamed on YouTube and Spectrum Cable 1301. A link to stream the meeting can be found on the City website (www.ci.moscow.id.us). Thank you for your interest in City government.

REGULAR AGENDA

- 1. Approval of July 26, 2021 Administrative Committee Minutes (ACTION ITEM) - Taylor Riedner**
- 2. Renewal of Intermodal Transit Center Lease with SMART Transit (ACTION ITEM) - Gary J. Riedner**

The City currently leases space in the Intermodal Transit Center to Regional Public Transportation (RPT) dba SMART Transit. The initial lease was executed on September 4, 2012, and the term was three years, expiring on September 30, 2015. In 2016, an amendment extended the term of the original lease for an additional five (5) years, expiring on September 20, 2020. Due to an oversight on the part of both the City and SMART, the lease was not renewed prior to expiration. SMART has been occupying the Intermodal Transit Center under the terms of the prior lease, pending the negotiation of a new lease. The attached lease has been updated and prepared by the City Attorney and reviewed by SMART Transit Executive Director Ben Aiman and the SMART Transit Board.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend approval of the Lease Agreement Between Regional Public Transportation (dba SMART Transit) and the City of Moscow, and approve of the Resolution authorizing said Lease, or provide staff further direction.

- 3. Open Container Ordinance Revisions for Downtown Events (ACTION ITEM) – Gary J. Riedner / Mia Bautista**

The City of Moscow has sponsored and approved community events such as Art Walk, and the Vandal Town Block Party, as well as the expansion of sidewalk cafés, and has approved events in downtown Moscow and in Moscow's parks where the City Council passed resolutions allowing for the vending and responsible consumption of beer and/or wine under certain conditions during an event. As the City Council wants to foster a vibrant downtown community atmosphere, and encourage and promote downtown businesses to collaborate in making these events successful, staff has been requested to review the process for the creation of an Entertainment District. Within the Entertainment District,

community events could be held, and upon adoption of a resolution of the City Council, the sale and responsible consumption of beer and wine could occur. In order to allow the consumption of beer and wine outside of sidewalk cafés or a beer garden, the City would have to create an exemption to Moscow City Code 10-1-12, commonly known as the "open container" ordinance, which prohibits the possession of alcoholic beverages while present in a public place or a place where the public has permitted access, including public streets and/or public rights-of-way in the City except in accordance with specific regulations adopted by the Council by Resolution.

The attached draft Ordinance contains necessary revisions to the Moscow City Code to allow the creation of an Entertainment District to be defined by the map attached to the draft Ordinance and to allow the inclusion of the Entertainment District as an additional exemption to the open container prohibition.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend adoption of the Ordinance creating the Entertainment District and including the Entertainment District as an additional exemption to the open container prohibition, or provide staff further direction.

REPORTS

Staff Report (if needed)

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