

Administrative Committee



Regular Meeting ~Agenda~

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

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REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of Administrative Committee October 25, 2021 Minutes (ACTION ITEM) - Taylor Riedner

2. Consideration of the Moscow Heritage Tree Program (ACTION ITEM) - David Schott

Moscow is justly proud of its beautiful tree-lined streets, particularly in older historic neighborhoods, and works to create the same quality of urban forest in new areas of the City as they develop. To highlight our City's investment in trees, the Moscow Tree Commission has proposed creating a Moscow Heritage Tree Program to inspire and educate our community about our urban forest. A Heritage Tree is one that is notable for its large size, age, health or form, or is uncommon in Moscow. It may also be a tree with an interesting story or connection to Moscow's history. Once designated as a Moscow Heritage Tree, the tree will be featured in the Moscow Heritage Tree Program Guide, which includes a map of the tree's location, a photograph of the tree, and a description describing why it is a Moscow Heritage Tree.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend approval of the Moscow Heritage Tree Program and authorize the proposed Resolution, or provide staff further direction.

3. Affordable Housing Grant Program Resolution (ACTION ITEM) - Bill Belknap

During the development of the FY2022 Budget, the City Council appropriated \$30,000 in funding to be utilized to promote the development of affordable housing within the community. City Staff have met with affordable housing developers within the city including the Moscow Affordable Housing Trust and the local Habitat for Humanity Chapter to discuss how the funds could be utilized to leverage grants and donations to support the construction of affordable housing. Staff prepared an outline for a potential affordable housing grant program for nonprofit organizations focused upon the development of affordable housing and included eligible organizations, allowed use of the grant funds, homebuyer qualifications, and ongoing housing affordability requirements that was reviewed by the Administrative Committee on September 13, 2021. The Committee recommended approval of the outline with minor

modifications and provided Staff with direction to prepare a Resolution to adopt and implement the program. Staff has prepared the Resolution for the Council's review and consideration for adoption.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend approval of the Affordable Housing Grant Program and the proposed Resolution, or provide staff further direction.

4. ARPA Small Business and Nonprofit COVID-19 Assistance Grant Program Proposal (ACTION ITEM) - Bill Belknap / Alisa Anderson

Under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), state and local governments were allocated funding to respond to the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The City of Moscow was allocated \$5,528,399 with a wide range of eligible uses including direct response to the pandemic, small business and nonprofit assistance and water, sewer and broadband infrastructure. The City Council conducted a workshop on October 25, 2021 and provided guidance to allocate \$750,000 for a small business and nonprofit assistance program, \$150,000 for affordable housing, \$1,000,000 for stormwater infrastructure and \$3,628,399 for water system infrastructure. Staff has prepared an outline for the small business and nonprofit assistance program for the Committee's review and direction.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Receive report and provide Staff with direction.

REPORTS

Staff Report (if needed)

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