

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



Ben Calabretta

Regular Meeting

Les MacDonald

Commission Chair

~Agenda~

Staff Liaison

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Thursday

Council Chambers

4:00 PM

November 8, 2018

206 E 3rd Street

Call to Order

1. Approval Of Minutes From October 25, 2018 (Action Item)

ACTION: Approve minutes as presented; approve minutes with amendments; or provide staff further direction

Documents:

[DRAFT MINUTES 10.25.18.PDF](#)

2. Commission Communications (Calabretta)

ACTION: Receive reports and updates from the Commission

3. Draft Resolution For South Couplet Pedestrian System Upgrades (Kyte) (Action Item)

Action: Discuss the Draft Resolution proposing South Couplet Pedestrian System Upgrades and make recommendation to City Council.

Documents:

[DRAFT RESOLUTION-SOUTH COUPLET PED UPGRADES 11.8.18.PDF](#)

4. Bike System Implementation Adjustments Report (MacDonald)

ACTION: Receive report on the adjustments to the Bike System Implementation.

5. Comprehensive Plan Update - Discussion Completion (Belknap) (Action Item)

ACTION: Complete update discussion and provide staff further direction, if deemed necessary.

Adjourn

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~Special Meeting Minutes~
October 25, 2018

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**Thursday
October 25, 2018**

4:00 PM

**Council Chambers
206 E. 3rd Street**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

Present: Chair; Ben Calabretta, Brian Johnson, Mike McGahan, Mary DuPree, Michael Kyte, Bob Sanders, Joel Hamilton, Phil Cook

Absent: Vice Chair; Don Meyer

Staff: Council Liaison Gina Taruscio
Les MacDonald, Public Works Director
Bill Belknap, Community Development Director
Jared Hopkins, ITD
Sandra Collins, Administrative Assistant / Deputy City Clerk

1. Approval of minutes from September 13, 2018 (Action Item)

ACTION: Johnson moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by DuPree. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: All; Nays: None; Abstained: None. Minutes approved.

2. Commission Communications (Calabretta)

Calabretta mentioned the upcoming Mountain View Road Improvements Open House on October 30, 2018 and MacDonald explained the need for public involvement due to potential right of way acquisition. DuPree advised the Sustainable Environment Commission is submitting a Climate Change Resolution to City Council, sponsored by The Citizen's Climate Lobby. DuPree acknowledged the contribution of the Transportation Commission to many of these initiatives. Kyte congratulated MacDonald and City Staff Tyler Palmer and Kevin Lilly, who were recently awarded Collaborator of the Year through the USDOT Region 10 Transportation Center based at the University of Washington. MacDonald traveled to Alaska to accept the award on behalf of the City. Kyte handed out a Draft Resolution to the commission. He would like the commission to support his proposal to have City Staff work with Idaho Transportation Department to add crosswalks at Highway 8 and US 95 and near the new Gritman parking lot and WWAMI building. Cook said he was supportive, but requested the item be added to the November agenda as an action item. Cook said he just returned from Texas and was appreciative of the work City Staff and the Transportation Commission has done to provide a livable mobility network, in comparison with other cities. Cook asked for an update on any adjustments to the bike striping plan at the next meeting. Johnson reported that the University of Idaho would be closing Line Street for work to be done on the Steam Plant. He also discussed the upcoming joint Gotcha bike share meeting.

MacDonald said on November 19, 2018, there would be a one-day street closure on campus to test reversing the one-way system of University, Ash and Idaho Streets. Kyte said testing it first was a good idea. MacDonald reported on the end of season construction work in the City and a proposed ribbon cutting for the Paradise Path Underpass official opening. McGahan asked about the curb outside Spence on White Avenue. MacDonald said it will be moved back in a future project. Belknap said on Monday he presented a request to the Public Works Finance Committee to pursue a TAP Grant Application for the South Main Underpass. The item was approved and the application will be presented to City Council.

3. Review of Mobility Chapter of the Comprehensive Plan (Belknap) (Action Item)

Belknap showed a presentation and went over the history of the last update to the Comprehensive Plan in 2009. In 2017, the Planning & Zoning Commission began a project to update the plan to reflect new data and the recommendations of other planning groups. They looked at regional and local mobility topics. The Commission discussed the following topics:

- Regional transport and transportation groups that currently exist, including ITD and a group meeting through the North Latah County Highway District. No transportation groups currently exist that cross state lines (Moscow/Pullman) but there is potential to create a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in the future.
- The Ring Road Plan including its history and possible future uses. The Thoroughfare Plan was reviewed.
- Changes in Street Classifications that impact the width of right of way.
- The Pathways Map.
- The expansion of west A Street, behind the mall.
- How to monitor if projects within the plan were achieving the goals of the plan.
- The process on how the plan was updated.
- Zoning Code changes.
- Area of City Impact (ACI)

MacDonald said if the Commission has any other thoughts, there is a current 30-day comment period. The topic will also be on the next Transportation Commission Agenda.

Adjourned: 5:25 pm

Resolution from MTC (draft, 2018.10.25)

The MTC is aware of increasing pedestrian volumes at and near the intersection of SH 8 and US 95 at the south end of the City of Moscow resulting from the completion of the Identity Apartment complex, the addition of the Gritman Medical Center employee parking lot on the south side of US 95, and the soon to be completed WWAMI medical education building on Sweet Avenue.

The MTC encourages the City of Moscow Engineering staff to work with the Idaho Transportation Department to add crosswalks on the south and west ends of the intersection and to provide the necessary pedestrian signal timings to facilitate safe crossing of the intersection.

The MTC also encourages both agencies to monitor the pedestrian crossing volumes that occur midblock between the 8/95 intersection and College Avenue to determine if additional pedestrian safety mitigation measures are needed.