

MOSCOW PATHWAYS COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting ~Minutes~

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**Tuesday
March 8, 2022**

5:00 PM

**Mayors Conference Room
206 E. 3rd St.**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm.

PRESENT: Judy Brown; Tanya Denison, Chair; Jenine Estlick; Robert Heckendorn, Secretary.

STAFF: Donna Howard; David Schott; Anne Zabala.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of Pathways Commission February 8, 2022 Minutes (ACTION ITEM)

Presentation of minutes for approval.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve minutes as presented; approve minutes with amendments; or provide staff further direction.

Heckendorn moved to approve the minutes as presented. Brown seconded. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion carried.

2. Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 10 minutes)

There were none.

3. Consideration of the Annual Pathways Commission Report to City Council (ACTION ITEM) – Tanya Denison

The Pathways Commission will discuss the content of the annual report to City Council scheduled for May 2, 2022.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve the content for the annual report to City Council; or take other such actions deemed appropriate.

Schott shared the presentation from May 2021 and invited suggestions for updates. Items to add included the 2021 Bike Tour, improvements by Parks Staff at Berman Creekside Park and Blackbird Station that enhance pathway use enjoyment, construction of pathways going in with new developments, upcoming events such as Bike to Work Day, the newly planned walking tour, past and future Farmers Market representation with the 2022 Bike Tour departing immediately following the end of FM. Denison will use the documents she inherited from the previous MPC Chair Jonathan Gradin and include photos she took during last year's events. She and Schott will share a draft PowerPoint to the MPC members via email for their input.

Brown moved to approve the content as discussed. Heckendorn seconded. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion carried.

4. Consideration of Cancelling the April 12, 2022 Pathways Commission Meeting (ACTION ITEM) – Tanya Denison

The Pathways Commission will consider cancelling the regular meeting for April 12, 2022 due to a scheduling conflict with the staff liaison.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Cancel the April 12, 2022 Pathways Commission meeting; or take other action deemed appropriate.

Schott will be in Idaho Falls attending the Idaho Recreation and Park Association's annual conference from April 11 to 15 and will be unavailable for that month's MPC meeting. If there are objections, he offered to designate another staff member to act as liaison on his behalf but recommended cancelling that meeting.

Estlick moved to cancel the April 2022 Pathways Commission meeting. Brown seconded. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion carried.

5. Report: First Step Internet Fiber Installation – David Schott

City staff will provide an update on the fiber installation project.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: No action, report.

First Step Internet, on behalf of the Whitepine School District, asked the City for permission to install an underground conduit and fiber optic cable parallel to the Paradise Path, beginning at Alturas Street and heading east. This would provide high speed internet access to the Whitepine School District and others living in the area east of Moscow. In exchange for their cooperation, the City will be provided with the use of one strand of the network, extending to the current or future city limit boundary. The City's Public Works/Finance Committee recommended moving forward with this project and City Council approved the installation, which included a 10-year license agreement with a second 10-year renewal option. Schott shared the presentation from last night's City Council meeting and heard concerns from the MPC regarding damage to the trail and displacement of trail users during the construction phase. Schott reassured the commissioners that First Step is required to repair any damage to the pathway caused by the project.

6. Report: Harvest Hills Second Addition Preliminary Plat – David Schott

City staff will report on the Harvest Hills Second Addition preliminary plat approved by City Council on May 17, 2021.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: No action, report.

At a previous meeting, Schott was asked how the Harvest Hills Development will connect to the existing pathway system. Schott displayed a plat map and aerial photos of this development, showing how the Harvest Hills Second Addition connects to the Third Street Pedestrian Bridge and the existing pathway that parallels Mountain View. There will also be a pathway to connect McDonald Elementary School and Third Street via Jansen Street and a small, yet to be named park area in the new development that will connect to Moser Park by a 10' pathway. The commissioners discussed the areas topography and how connectivity will improve once these projects are complete.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Next meeting: May 10, 2022

The meeting was adjourned at 5:39.

Minutes Approved On

MAY 10 2022

Clerk/Deputy Signature