

MOSCOW PATHWAYS COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting ~Agenda~

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**Tuesday
May 9, 2023**

5:00 PM

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

WELCOME AND ATTENDANCE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of Pathways Commission April 11, 2023 Minutes (ACTION ITEM) – Tanya Denison

Presentation of minutes for approval.

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

2. Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 15 minutes)

Members of the public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the agenda or currently pending before the Commission. Please state your name and city of residence for the record and limit your remarks to three (3) minutes.

3. Consideration of the Upcoming Commission Survey (ACTION ITEM) – David Schott

The Pathways Commission will discuss the upcoming citizen survey and draft a list of five (5) questions in order of priority for the public to respond to.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve the five (5) survey questions; or take other such action deemed appropriate.

STAFF REPORTS

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

1. Next Pathways Commission meeting is: June 13, 2023
2. Bike to Work Day: May 19, 2023 from 7:00 to 9:00 am
3. Farmers Market: May 20, 2023
4. Annual Bike Tour: May 21, 2023 from 1:30 to 3:30 pm at Alturas Park

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Regular Meeting ~Minutes~

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April 11, 2023**

5:00 PM

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The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Tanya Denison; Chair, Margaret Dibble; Vice Chair, Judy Brown, Jenine Estlick; Secretary, Robert Heckendon, Hailey Lewis; City Council Liaison

STAFF: David Schott, Melissa Fisher

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of Pathways Commission January 10, 2023 Minutes (ACTION ITEM) – Tanya Denison

Presentation of minutes for approval.

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

Brown moved to approve the minutes as presented. Estlick seconded. Roll call vote. Ayes unanimous. Nays: None. Motion carried.

2. Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 15 minutes)

David Herbold (Moscow) inquired about the unpaved portion of Adams street located between B Street and C Street, known by locals as “Deadman’s Hill”. Herbold advised he had heard that someone was trying to buy the city right of way to the unpaved walking path and was wondering if pedestrians would no longer have access to the walking path.

3. Planning and Coordination of Bike Month, Bike to Work Day, Annual Bike Tour, and May 20th Farmers Market (ACTION ITEM) – Tanya Denison

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve May events as described; or take such actions deemed appropriate.

Moscow Pathways Commission discussed the month of Mays upcoming events and organized dates and times. Commissioners also determined who would be attending and helping at the events, as well as items needed for preparation. Denison, Estlick, Dibble and Lewis will be assisting on May 19th for Bike to Work Day. Dibble and Rauk will be assisting on May 20th for the Farmers Market. Schott and Fisher will be assisting at the Annual Bike Tour on May 21st.

4. Consideration of the 2023 Pathways Commission Annual Report to City Council (ACTION ITEM) – David Schott

The Pathways Commission will review the 2022 Annual Report to City Council and discuss items to include in the 2023 Annual Report to City Council on May 1, 2023.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve the content of the 2023 Annual Report to City Council; or take such actions deemed appropriate.

Brown moved to approve the annual report to City Council as presented. Estlick seconded. Roll call vote. Ayes unanimous. Nays: None. Motion carried.

5. Consideration of the Upcoming Commission Survey (ACTION ITEM) – David Schott

The Pathways Commission will review prior questions, discuss the vision and goal for using the survey tool moving forward, and develop a list of five (5) questions in order of priority for the public to respond to.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve the five (5) survey questions; or take other such action deemed appropriate.

The survey questions have been tabled for the next Commission meeting.

STAFF REPORTS

None

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Next Pathways Commission meeting is: May 9, 2023

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23p.m.

COMMISSION SURVEY QUESTION HISTORY

From 2002-2014 the commission questions were integrated into the Citizen Survey. The 2016 survey consisted only of the citizen survey questions and starting 2017 commission questions were sent out separately in their own survey. The 2019 commission survey was never approved by City Council and published as the onset of Covid prioritized other projects and we never revisited the survey results. Starting with the 2017 Commission survey, questions were organized by commission whereas previous surveys were scrambled. The 2017 survey also included each commission's mission statement. The survey will be sent out at the beginning of October and questions are due back from Commissions by September

Pathways Commission

2002 Survey

Do you or any members of your family now use any portion of the Paradise Path system?

Chipman Trail	60%
University Bike Path	54%
Berman Creekside Path	15%
Carol Ryrie Brink Nature Park	17%
Good Samaritan to Mountain View	42%

When you or your family use any portion of the Paradise Path system, which of the following most closely describes your activities? Check as many as applicable.

Walking	53%
Skating	15%
Nature Observation	13%
Bicycling	44%
Running	18%
Relaxation	20%
Other	4%

2004 Survey

In the past twelve months, how frequently have you or members of your family used any portion of the Paradise Path system (including the connecting Latah and Chipman Trails)?

Once/Never	2-5 Times	6-12 Times	13-26 Times	>26 Times	Don't Know
31%	23%	17%	8%	20%	1%

2006 Survey

Have you or any members of your family used any of the following portions of the Paradise Path and other systems within and around Moscow in the last twelve months (please circle those which you use).

Chipman Trail	51%
University Bike Path	49%
Berman Creekside Path	23%
Carol Ryrle Brink Nature Park	19%
Hordemann Pond to Mountain View	32%
Latah Trail	39%

Which of the following activities do you engage in when using the Paradise Path and other path systems within and around Moscow (please circle all that apply).

Walking	65%
Skating	6%
Nature Observation	21%
Bicycling	45%
Running	19%
Relaxation	23%
Other	5%

The Paradise Path connects the Chipman Trail through Moscow north to Mountain view Park, and east to the Latah Trail. In the past twelve months, how frequently have you or members of your family used the Paradise Path?

Once/Never	2-5 Times	6-12 Times	13-26 Times	>26 Times	Don't Know
37%	21%	14%	11%	14%	2%

2008 Survey

Which of the following portions of Paradise Path or other path systems within and around Moscow have you used in the last twelve months? (please check all that apply)

Chipman Trail	53%
University Bike Path	51%
Berman Creekside Path	27%
Carol Ryrie Brink Nature Park	22%
Hordemann Pond to Mountain View	38%
Latah Trail	41%
None	22%

Which of the following activities do you engage in when using the Paradise Path and other path systems within and around Moscow (please circle all that apply).

Walking	68%
Roller Blading	4%
Skate Boarding	11%
Nature Observation	22%
Bicycling	49%
Running	21%
Relaxation	24%
Commuting	19%
Other	6%

The Paradise Path connects the Chipman Trail through Moscow north to Mountain view Park, and east to the Latah Trail. In the past twelve months, how frequently have you used the Paradise Path?

Once/Never	2-12 Times	13-26 Times	>26 Times	Don't Know
38%	27%	13%	21%	2%

To what degree do you support the following projects:

	Strongly Support	Support	Neutral	Unsupportive	Strongly Unsupportive	Don't Know
Develop playfields for organized activities	26%	40%	20%	10%	2%	2%
Improve undeveloped parks	20%	43%	26%	6%	2%	3%
Install sidewalks within existing development to provide a continuous sidewalk system	35%	43%	15%	3%	2%	1%
Expand the Paradise Path System	23%	37%	26%	5%	4%	4%

2010 Survey

In the past 12 months, how frequently have you used these trail sections

	Never	Once	2-12	13-26	26+	Don't Know
Chipman Trail	42%	12%	33%	5%	4%	1%
Paradise Path	25%	8%	33%	1%	19%	2%
Berman Creekside Path	45%	10%	22%	4%	6%	6%
Carol Ryrle Brink Nature Park	54%	13%	18%	5%	3%	4%
Hordemann Pond to Mountain View	49%	12%	21%	7%	5%	3%
Latah Trail	44%	13%	24%	7%	6%	1%

I support the construction of a pedestrian/bicycle only bridge over Paradise Creek to connect Third Street to Mountain View Road.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
33%	27%	13%	6%	11%	6%

I support the construction of bike/pedestrian paths in Moscow

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
43%	40%	7%	4%	1%	1%

I feel the following items are issues in regard to Paradise Path:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
Access from my neighborhood	16%	22%	25%	11%	4%	15%
Safety	15%	26%	22%	10%	5%	15%
Lighting	18%	30%	22%	7%	3%	15%
Signage	9%	21%	30%	16%	4%	15%
Navigation (maps)	7%	23%	30%	11%	4%	17%
Connection to Shopping	8%	21%	30%	14%	5%	14%
Connection to the University	11%	20%	24%	14%	5%	14%

2012 Survey

Do you or any members of your family now use any portion of the Paradise Path system?

	Never	Once	2-12	13-26	26+	Don't Know	Non-Response
Chipman Trail	43%	13%	30%	5%	6%	1%	2%
Paradise Path	26%	8%	31%	15%	18%	1%	2%
Berman Creekside Path	56%	8%	17%	5%	6%	6%	2%
Carol Ryrle Brink Nature Park	56%	11%	18%	5%	4%	6%	2%
Hordemann Pond to Mountain View	45%	13%	22%	9%	5%	4%	2%
Latah Trail	45%	13%	28%	6%	6%	1%	2%

I feel the following items are issues in regard to Paradise Path:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know	Non-Response
Access from my neighborhood	9%	19%	24%	14%	9%	20%	5%
Safety	5%	21%	22%	20%	6%	20%	5%
Lighting	11%	25%	21%	12%	4%	22%	5%
Signage	4%	17%	29%	18%	5%	22%	5%
Navigation (maps)	4%	15%	31%	17%	5%	23%	5%
Connection to Shopping	3%	14%	27%	21%	7%	22%	5%
Connection to the University	5%	9%	22%	23%	9%	22%	10%
Other	1%						1%

2014 Survey

In the past 12 months, how frequently have you used these trail sections:

	Never	Several Times	1-2 Times/month	Less than 5 days/week	At least 5 days/week
Chipman Trail to Pullman	51%	30%	10%	5%	1%
Latah Trail to Troy	51%	29%	9%	8%	1%
Chipman Trail to 6 th St	51%	26%	9%	7%	2%
6 th St to Hwy 95	54%	24%	10%	5%	2%
Creekside Park east to City Limits	56%	27%	9%	3%	1%
Carol Rylie Brink Nature Park	59%	22%	11%	3%	1%
Hordemann Pond to Mountain View Park	54%	24%	11%	5%	1%
Heron's Hideout to east of White Avenue	62%	21%	7%	4%	1%

How often do you engage in any of the following activities when using Paradise Path or other path systems in and around Moscow?

	Never	Several Times/year	1-2 Times/month	Less than 5 days/week	At least 5 days/week
Don't use the paths or trails	44%	11%	2%	4%	3%
Walking	21%	29%	15%	15%	6%
Rollerblading	81%	1%	1%	0%	0%
Nature Observations	43%	25%	7%	8%	1%
Bicycling	39%	24%	11%	11%	2%
Commuting	60%	7%	5%	8%	3%
Skateboarding	83%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Dog Walking	60%	13%	6%	5%	2%

2017 Survey

I feel the following items are issues in regard to Moscow's Pathway System

Access from my neighborhood	27%
Safety	35%
Lighting	47%
Signage and maps	27%
Connection to shopping	8%
Connection to the University	9%
Street crossing safety	47%

In the past 12 months, how frequently have you used these trail sections:

	Once/Never	Twice	3-12 Times	13-26 Times	>26 Times
Chipman Trail to Pullman	59%	11%	17%	5%	5%
Latah Trail to Troy	55%	12%	22%	4%	6%
Chipman Trail to 6 th St	52%	11%	21%	5%	9%
6 th St to Hwy 95	56%	10%	17%	7%	9%
Berman Creekside Park east to City Limits	61%	8%	19%	5%	5%
Carol Ryrle Brink Nature Park	63%	11%	15%	6%	4%
Hordemann Pond to Mountain View Park	60%	11%	16%	6%	5%
Heron's Hideout to east of White Avenue	70%	9%	14%	4%	2%

2019 Survey

Please rate your level of interest in the following initiatives:

	Extremely Interested	Interested	Neutral	Somewhat Interested	Not Interested	Don't Know	No Answer
Installation of an underpass for Paradise Path at Highway 95 north of Sweet Avenue and south of Highway 8 similar to the underpass under Highway 8 at White Avenue	36%	25%	12%	5%	10%	8%	4%
Allowing pedal-assist electric bikes on the pathway system Moscow	18%	17%	22%	4%	28%	6%	4%

Please rate how comfortable you are with current levels of lighting on Paradise Path between Highway 95 and Blaine St.

Very Comfortable	8%
Fairly Comfortable	19%
Somewhat Comfortable	6%
Not Comfortable	10%
Very Uncomfortable	4%
Don't Use the Path	25%
Don't Know	23%
No Answer	4%

If you were more comfortable with the level of lighting along this section of Paradise Path, would you be more likely to use the path after dark?

Very Likely	Somewhat Likely	Not Likely	No Answer
19%	29%	26%	16%