

# PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION



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## Regular Meeting ~Minutes~

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**Wednesday  
March 26, 2025**

**7:00 PM**

**Council Chambers  
206 E Third Street**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:59 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robb Parish, Temporary Chair; Scott Gropp, Joel Hamilton, Nels Reese, Sue Scott, Victoria Seever  
MEMBERS ABSENT: Rich Beebe, Cole Mize, Dennis Wilson  
OTHERS: Bryce Blankenship  
STAFF: Jennifer Fleischman, Mike Ray

## REGULAR AGENDA

As there were no Elected Officers in attendance, the Commission decided to elect a Temporary Chair for the duration of the meeting.

Seever moved to elect Robb Parish as Temporary Chair, seconded by Reese. Roll Call Vote; Ayes: Unanimous (6). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

### 1. Approval of January 22, 2025 Minutes (ACTION ITEM)

Seever moved for approval of the minutes as written, seconded by Hamilton. Roll Call Vote; Ayes: Gropp, Hamilton, Parish, Reese, Seever (5). Nays: None. Abstentions: Scott (1). Motion carried.

### 2. Public Comment

*Time limit 15 minutes. Members of the Public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the Agenda nor currently pending before the Planning and Zoning Commission. Please state your name and resident city for the record and limit your remarks to three (3) minutes.*

David Hall, Moscow, spoke briefly on water use regarding annexation of properties into the City. He provided a handout (see attached) from the Palouse Basing Aquifer Committee and expressed concern about increases in pumping water within City Limits.

### 3. Proposed Final Subdivision Plat for the South Moscow Business Park (SOMO) Addition. LUP2025-0002 (ACTION ITEM)

*Proposed Final Plat of a 29.48-acre property to create fifteen (15) lots with an average lot size of 1.77 acres, referred to as the SOMO Addition.*

Ray presented the final subdivision plat as described above and recommended the Commission forward approval to City Council with no conditions. The conditions put on the preliminary plat from City Council have been met. Part of the proposed pathway would provide dual use for utility access to one of the detention ponds.

Gropp moved to recommend approval to City Council of the final plat of the South Moscow Business Park (SOMO) Addition, seconded by Scott. Roll Call Vote; Ayes: Unanimous (6). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

## **REPORTS**

### *1. Transportation Commission meeting report.*

The next meeting of the Transportation Commission is scheduled for April 10th, 2025.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

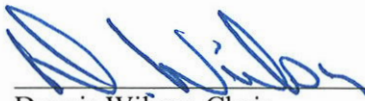
Dennis Wilson provided the annual Planning & Zoning Commission report to City Council on Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup>.

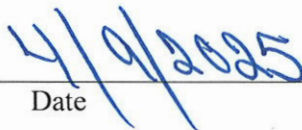
## **UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS**

*The next Planning & Zoning Commission regular meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2025.*

There has been a Public Hearing scheduled for the next meeting.

**Parish declared the meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM**

  
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Dennis Wilson, Chair

  
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Date

## Informational Update to THE PULLMAN MOSCOW GROUND WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN\*

### Updated Moscow Action Plan

In support of the COMMITTEE goals and activities, the City of Moscow proposes to:

- Attempt to limit annual aquifer pumping increases to one percent (1.0%) of the pumping volume based on a five (5) year moving average of the pumping starting with 1986 (745 mgd).
- Attempt to limit the accumulated total pumping to a targeted maximum of 125% of the 1981-1985 average (increase from 700 mgd to 875 mgd).

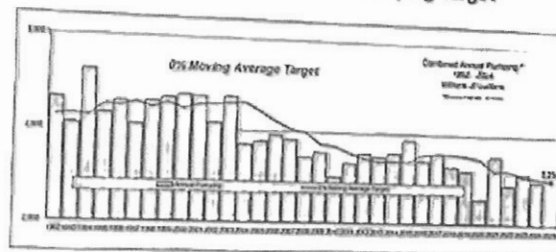
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Source:  
Presentation by Steve Robischon  
to PBAC meeting  
March 19, 2025

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2025 PBAC Demand Offset Pumping Target



Demand Offset Pumping Target = 2,250 MG

2024 Actual Pumping = 2,240 MG

→ To meet 2025 target

pumping increase cannot exceed 10 MG