



Administrative Committee

Regular Meeting ~Minutes~

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**Monday
April 9, 2018**

3:00 PM

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

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM

PRESENT: Gina Taruscio Chair, Art Bettge Councilmember, Anne Zabala Councilmember

OTHERS: Council Member Brandy Sullivan; Randy Baukol, FAHC chair

STAFF: Gary J. Riedner, Joe Williams, Mia Vowels, Brian Nickerson, Ryan Cash, Bill Belknap, Laurie M. Hopkins

1. Approval of Administrative Committee March 26, 2018 Minutes – Laurie M. Hopkins

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
AYES:	Gina Taruscio, Art Bettge, Anne Zabala

2. Guiding Principles of Affordable Housing Resolution – Ryan Cash

Over the last year, the Fair and Affordable Housing Commission has been discussing the lack of affordable housing in Moscow and the idea of creating a series of principles for the development of affordable housing. The 2016 American Community Survey identified that twenty-nine percent (29%) of Moscow's population is currently living in poverty. Also, a recent survey of local affordable housing projects indicated that there are no housing units available in any low income housing developments located within the City of Moscow and all such units have waiting lists. The Commission has worked with Sojourners Alliance, Moscow Affordable Housing Trust, Family Promise of the Palouse, and other community groups to develop guiding principles for the development of affordable housing. The intent of having guiding principles for the development of affordable housing is to provide a clear statement about the community Moscow desires to be, provide a framework for the pursuit of adequate housing for residents across the spectrum, and to support the City in pursuing grant funding for affordable housing projects. This was presented to Administration Committee on April 9, 2018, at which time there was no public comment received. This was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Administration Committee on April 9, 2018.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend approval of the attached resolution or provide staff further direction.

The guiding principles were first introduced in 2015 and finished in 2016. The Affordable Housing Trust deals with the affordable housing aspect in the area. The FAHC commissioners thought it was important to have identifying features and/or guidelines for affordable housing. Over the last 18 months they have adapted the process. Baukol explained these guidelines stemmed from the Analysis of Impediments as a lot of them were about affordability. The Commission wanted to define the character of Moscow. Affordable housing is a necessity every human needs and is a basic right. The community needs affordable housing for employers to have a basis to pull employees from. This resolution gives the city goals to strive for and identify with. Bettge was encouraged to see the affordable housing is integrated all over the community. Taruscio felt it was a good statement from an economic development standpoint. The Committee recommended approval and that it be placed on the Council regular agenda.

RESULT:	RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL REGULAR [UNANIMOUS]
AYES:	Gina Taruscio, Art Bettge, Anne Zabala

3. Amending MCC Title 7 Chapter 7 Relating to Fire Prevention – Joe Williams

The proposed amendment would adopt the International Fire Code, 2015 Edition with modifications that are consistent with those adopted by the Idaho State Fire Marshal for use in the State of Idaho. This code change is part of the three-year cycle of code revisions published by the International Code Council. Some purposed changes to the city code reflect the renumbering of sections in the 2015 IFC, as well as changes the Building Department has made to the International Building code that mirror the IFC. This was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Administrative Committee on April 9, 2018.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Recommend approval of the proposed amendments to Moscow City Code Title 7 Chapter 7 adopting the 2015 International Fire Code; or provide staff further direction.

Williams went through the proposed modifications and highlights of the 2015 International Fire Code. He spoke on access, water supply and required fire protection systems. The State Fire Marshal doesn't adopt all the appendices. Locally, we review the appendices the State did not adopt and determine whether to include them in the local adoption. The City cannot adopt a code more lenient than the state code but can be stricter. This allows cities of differing sizes to adopt what works for their jurisdiction. The Committee recommended approval and that it be placed on the Council regular agenda.

RESULT:	FORWARD TO CITY COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA
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Adjourn

The meeting was closed at 3:20 PM

