

Moscow City Council



Regular Meeting ~Agenda~

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7:00 PM

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

The Moscow Mayor, City Council and Staff welcome you to tonight's meeting. This meeting is open to the public. We appreciate and encourage public participation. For regular agenda items, an opportunity for public comment is sometimes provided after the staff report. However, the formality of procedures varies with the purpose and subject of the agenda item; therefore, the Mayor may exercise discretion in deciding when to allow public comment during the course of the proceedings and limitations may be placed on the time allowed for comments. Citizens wishing to comment on business that is not on the agenda will be provided the opportunity to do so during the public comment item on the agenda. If you plan to address the Council, you will find a list of "Tips for Addressing the Council" in the door pocket outside the City Council Chambers. Please note that Moscow City Council meetings are televised, videotaped and/or recorded. Links to view the City Council meeting live can be found on the City website and the City's YouTube channel. Thank you for your interest in City government.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONSENT AGENDA

1. All Consent Items (ACTION ITEM)

A. Approval of Moscow City Council March 2, 2026 Minutes - Laurie M. Hopkins

B. Approval of Payment of Claims - Sarah Decker

C. Disbursement Report February 2026 - Renee Tack

Staff presented the February 2026 Accounts Payable Report to the Public Works / Finance Committee on March 9th, 2026. The Committee received the report and recommended approval of the disbursement report.

ACTION: Accept the Disbursements Report for the month of February 2026.

D. Fourth Quarter Financial Report July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025 for FY2025 - Renee Tack

Staff presented the financial report for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2025 (July 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025) to the Public Works/Finance Committee on March 9th, 2026. The Committee received the financial report and approved it as presented.

ACTION: Accept the FY2025 Fourth Quarter Financial Report.

E. Historic Preservation Mitigation Bank (HPMB) Grant Program Request – Moscow Water Dept. Bldg. - Alisa Anderson / Mike Ray

Preservation Idaho is accepting grant applications for the HPMB Grant Program, which provides funding for historic preservation projects across Idaho, with applications due by April 15, 2026. Staff is requesting approval to submit a Type 1 General Preservation Project

application to fund a National Register of Historic Places nomination for the city-owned building at 201 North Main Street. The proposed scope of work, estimated at \$6,250, includes preparing the nomination and updating the Idaho Cultural Resource Information System (ICRIS). Staff recommends a 5% cash match of \$310 and a grant request of \$5,940 to support the project. This was reviewed by the Public Works/Finance Committee on March 9, 2026, and recommended for approval.

ACTION: Approval to submit a funding request to the Historic Preservation Mitigation Bank Grant Program to support the preparation of a National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Moscow Water Department Building.

F. T-Mobile Hometown Grant – East City Park Stage Project - Alisa Anderson

City staff has identified the T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program as a potential funding source to support the construction and public art components of the East City Park Stage project. This five-year, \$25 million initiative awards grants quarterly to small towns for community-driven projects that revitalize historic structures, create downtown assets, or enhance gathering spaces—especially those fostering community identity or attracting investment. The current application period, which is the final round, closes on March 31, 2024, with awards of up to \$50,000 available, and projects must be completed within 12 months. The East City Park Stage project qualifies as an eligible use, aligns with the program’s goals, and addresses a community need. Staff recommends submitting a \$50,000 funding request to help cover project costs. This item was approved by the Public Works/Finance Committee March 9, 2026, and recommended for approval.

ACTION: Approval to submit a funding request for the T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program for \$50,000 for the East City Park Stage project.

REGULAR AGENDA

2. Public Comment (limit 15 minutes)

3. Citizen Commission Report - Planning and Zoning Commission - Mike Ray / Dennis Wilson

4. U.S. Highway 95 Palouse Region Study Report — Janet Zarate, ITD District Two

5. Annual Comprehensive Financial Report Presentation (ACTION ITEM) - Renee Tack /Nick Nicholson

Presnell Gage PLLC, the City’s auditors, will be presenting the City’s FY2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR), which includes any significant changes regarding the annual audit and outlining comparative changes from the FY2024 ACFR. The City has received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the ACFR for 22 consecutive years. After approval, staff will submit the FY2025 ACFR for consideration for the award. The accompanying final draft of the FY2025 ACFR is submitted for City Council review.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Accept the City of Moscow audited Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for FY2025 as presented, or take other action deemed appropriate.

6. Mass Notification System Memorandum of Understanding (ACTION ITEM) - Brian Nickerson

The City of Moscow desires to partner with Latah County to secure and maintain an emergency mass notification system that can be utilized to inform residents of emergency situations. Under the proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) the City and Latah County would equally

fund the selected mass notification system and have independent access to utilize the system for both City and County emergency events. This item was included within the City's FY2026 budget. This was reviewed by the Public Works/Finance Committee on March 9, 2026, and recommended for approval.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Approve the MOU with Latah County, or take other action deemed appropriate.

7. Paradise Creek Maintenance Program Plan (ACTION ITEM) - Tyler Palmer

Paradise Creek is a critical ecological, hydrological, and stormwater conveyance feature within the City of Moscow. The creek flows approximately 19 miles from Moscow Mountain through the City before joining the South Fork Palouse River in Pullman, Washington. The City is regulated as a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) under an Idaho Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (IPDES) Permit. Paradise Creek is a critical stormwater feature covered by the City's IPDES permit. The maintenance and management of Paradise Creek is essential to compliance with the Clean Water Act and the City's MS4 Permit, implementation of applicable Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) requirements, and protection of designated beneficial uses under Idaho Water Quality Standards (IDAPA 58.01.02). The Paradise Creek Maintenance Program Plan establishes a structured, adaptive framework for routine maintenance, capital improvements, regulatory coordination, beaver management, and public engagement to address regulatory requirements, enhance flood risk mitigation and infrastructure protection, and preserve habitat and riparian function. This was reviewed by the Public Works/Finance Committee on March 9, 2026, and recommended for approval.

PROPOSED ACTIONS: Adopt the Paradise Creek Maintenance Program Plan, or take other action deemed appropriate.

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