

MOSCOW ARTS COMMISSION



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Regular Meeting
~Agenda~

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Tuesday
September 8, 2026

5:00 PM

Council Chambers
206 E. Third Street

WELCOME AND ATTENDANCE

REGULAR AGENDA

1. **Reading of the Mission Statement**

The mission of the Moscow Arts Commission is to enrich the community by celebrating and cultivating the expression of all forms of art and culture. Fulfillment of this purpose shall be based upon the following values:

- Recognition and promotion of artists' value by creating opportunities for work to be experienced.
- Facilitation and promotion of the social, educational, and economic value of all forms of art and culture in the community.
- Performance of leadership, collaboration, and outreach in the conversation between all forms of art and culture with partner agencies, city leaders, and the community.

2. **Approval of Minutes from July 14th, 2026 (ACTION ITEM)**

PROPOSED ACTION: Approve minutes, amend minutes, or take such other action deemed appropriate.

3. **Public Comment and Response to Previous Comments (limited to 10 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 address for the record and limit your remarks to three (3) minutes.

4. **Moscow Poet Laureate Year #1 Report (Miriam Åkervall)**

5. **Public Art Guidelines (ACTION ITEM)**

During the May 12, 2026 regular meeting of the MAC, members discussed and voted to recommend updates to the Public Art Guidelines. In the following weeks, members of the MAC, project-specific Selection Panels, and members of the public expressed reservations regarding the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the development of public art proposals. The MAC discussed the topic on July 14, 2026 and commented on potential approaches to creating an AI policy. Staff now presents additional updates to the Guidelines for the MAC's consideration.

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Following a vote by a majority of members to recommend the updated Guidelines, Arts staff will present the document and the MAC's recommendation to City Council.

PROPOSED ACTION: Recommend Public Art Guidelines or take such other action deemed appropriate.

6. East City Park Stage RFQ (ACTION ITEM)

The MAC has been working since November 2024 to develop a site recommendation, project scope, and creative prompt for a public artwork at the East City Park stage. On May 12, 2026 MAC members discussed the possibility of the Moscow Poet Laureate writing a poem as a creative prompt for the muralist as well as conducting public outreach to support the Poet's efforts. In the meeting packet is an RFQ for the mural project including the poem, short stories provided by community, and site details. Following a vote by the MAC to recommend the RFQ, Arts staff will present the RFQ and related legal agreements to City Council.

PROPOSED ACTION: Recommend the RFQ for the mural at the East City Park stage or take such other action deemed appropriate.

7. MAC Roster & Subcommittees (ACTION ITEM)

The MAC's current membership includes nine (9) appointed voting members, with [City Code](#) allowing up to twelve (12) voting members. The MAC is currently the largest of the City of Moscow Commissions. Additionally, changes in the past three years to Arts staff and programming have prompted a move away from the use of subcommittees to develop projects, moving this work instead to the full MAC for greater efficiency as well as increased MAC member engagement with projects. Arts staff and City leadership invite the MAC to discuss the possibility of reducing the MAC membership to nine (9) voting members and to limit use of subcommittees to the purpose of public art selection where appropriate.

PROPOSED ACTION: Recommend the reduction of MAC membership and limitation of subcommittee use or take such other action deemed appropriate.

REPORTS

1. Volunteer Hour Tally for July & August 2026

2. Volunteer Request

- 9/17 Palouse Plein Air (3 volunteers needed)

3. Staff Report (Cherry)

- MAC Budget
- City Shop Mural
- MPD Sculpture
- Color of the Year
- Palouse Plein Air on September 17th
- LHJF Poster Unveiling on October 7th

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