



City of Moscow Council Chambers • 206 E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street • Moscow, ID 83843

Commissioners Present	Commissioners Absent	Staff in Attendance
Nancy Tribble, Secretary	Steve McGeehan	Cody Riddle, Executive Director
Drew Davis	Mark Beauchamp	Jennifer Fleischman, Clerk
Sandra Kelly		Renee Tack, Treasurer
Tom Lamar		
Alison Tompkins		

Tribble called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.

**1. Consent Agenda (A)**

*Any item will be removed from the consent agenda at the request of any member of the Board and that item will be considered separately later.*

- A. Minutes from March 7, 2024
- B. February 2024 Payables
- C. February 2024 Financials

Kelly moved for approval of the consent agenda as written, seconded by Lamar. Vote by Acclamation: Ayes: Unanimous (5). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

**2. Public Comment**

*Members of the public may speak to the Board regarding matters NOT on the Agenda nor currently pending before the Moscow Urban Renewal Agency. Please state your name and resident city for the record and limit your remarks to three minutes.*

None.

**3. FY2025 MURA Budget Hearing Date Determination (A) – Cody Riddle**

*In accordance with state law, the Agency must notify the County Clerk’s office the date of the Agency’s public hearing of its annual budget by no later than April 30<sup>th</sup> each year. To allow adequate time for the Budget development and review process, Staff is proposing the Agency set the hearing date for its FY2025 budget on Thursday, August 1, 2024, and seeks the Board’s approval to notify the County Clerk accordingly.*

Riddle reviewed the code requiring urban renewal agencies to notify the county when the annual budget hearing will take place, as described above. Staff recommended that the Budget Hearing date be set for August 1, 2024. The hearing would be during a regularly scheduled meeting. There was a brief discussion about the date and Board member availability.

Kelly moved to set the FY2025 Annual Budget Hearing for Thursday August 1st, 2024, seconded by Davis. Roll Call Vote; Ayes: Unanimous (5). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

**4. Agency FY2023 Audit Presentation (A) – Renee Tack**

*The 2023 MURA audit is attached and will be presented by MURA Treasurer Renee Tack and the auditors, Presnell Gage PLLC.*

Tack began the presentation with a general review of the audit process and introduced Nick Nicholson from Presnell Gage. Nicholson explained how the independent auditors compiled the financial report and the resulting official opinion.

Lamar moved to accept the FY2023 Audited Financial Statements as presented, seconded by Tompkins. Roll Call Vote; Ayes: Unanimous (5). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

**5. 2023 MURA Annual Report Review (A) – Cody Riddle**

*In accordance with State Statute, all urban renewal agencies are required to file with the local governing body by March 31st of each year an annual report describing the activities of the agency for the preceding year. Agencies are required to hold a public meeting to report the findings of the annual report and to take comments from the public prior to filing the report with the governing body. Staff has prepared the draft 2023 Annual Report for public comment and the Board's review and approval.*

Riddle reviewed the draft Annual Report, as required by state law, and the public improvement projects that were completed in 2023, or are pending contribution in coordination with the City of Moscow. The future contributions towards the downtown streetscape project include necessary infrastructure replacements. General pathway replacement and repairs are the responsibility of the City Parks department.

Public Hearing opened at 8:07 AM

Victoria Seever, Moscow, read her written comment (attached) and thanked the Agency for all their hard work.

Public Hearing closed at 8:11 AM

It was pointed out that the map on page 6 of the Annual Report is no longer accurate and Staff will provide an updated map before publishing.

Tompkins moved for approval of the FY2023 Annual Report as corrected, and the associated Resolution 2024-01, seconded by Kelly. Roll Call Vote; Ayes: Unanimous (5). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

**6. General Agency Updates – Cody Riddle**

- *General agency business*

None.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:14 a.m.**



Steve McGeehan, Agency Chair

4-18-24

Date

## Jennifer Fleischman

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**From:** Seever, Victoria (vaseever@uidaho.edu) <vaseever@uidaho.edu>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 20, 2024 11:57 AM  
**To:** Jennifer Fleischman; Cody Riddle  
**Subject:** Seever's Comments on URA Annual Report

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I'd like to mention three aspects of partnership: 1) Leveraging resources for a better outcome; 2) Mutually enhancing those entities' purpose; 3) And the good vibes of coming together to achieve a vision. Your Annual Report indicates what the MURA does, and along with that, it expresses pragmatically and aesthetically its role as a partner to city projects, this town's development designs, and the character of our community.

The Annual Report is evidence of MURA's function and a celebration of creating the living history of a place we call home. More than bricks, mortar, concrete, and cleaning up brownfields, which it is, the Annual Report tells of the fluidity and insight born of its challenging successes.

I can speak directly to the value of an item in the Report in that I live on Lilly Street where the MURA participated in re-aligning and daylighting Hogg Creek, bridging a gap of pedestrian walkway at Otness Park (also a MURA-city project) toward Ghormley Park, and extensive infrastructure on Lilly and an adjacent segment of First Street.

I've also witnessed the completion of the Alturas District; work in the Legacy Crossing District, including an ongoing participation in upgrading the city center's infrastructure and incorporating cultural activities; and Legacy's keystone property at Sixth and Jackson Street, a mere block from Main and our second most important intersection.

The latter is a MURA-reclaimed brownfield and is a difficult but inspirational keystone parcel no developer could have untaken without MURA's participation. It now represents a model for downtown mixed-development and future development in the adjacent area.

The Report illustrates MURA's contribution to growing the tax roll through development, its alertness to safety features, and furthering the job of meeting city needs. And it does it with vision and attention to detail. It is a significant contributor our city's vitality and systems services. MURA admirably meets the definition of an excellent partner.

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Victoria Seever