



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

Commissioners Present	Commissioners Absent	Staff in Attendance
Mark Beauchamp, Vice Chair	Steve McGeehan	Renee Tack, Treasurer
Drew Davis		Jennifer Fleischman, Clerk
Sandra Kelly		
Tom Lamar		
Alison Tompkins		
Nancy Tribble		

**Beauchamp called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m.**

**1. Approval of July 18, 2024 Minutes (A)**

Kelly moved for approval of the minutes as written, seconded by Tribble. Vote by Acclamation: Ayes: Unanimous (6). 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.*

Stuart Scott, Moscow, talked to the Board about the Sixth and Jackson Street property. He encouraged the Agency to continue progress on finding a developer for the property, but offered the suggestion that if that failed, to convert the property to a public parking lot. He mentioned the loss of public parking lots at Nectar, Maialina, Lodgepole, and the South Jackson Street couplet. He offered a copy of the 2014 task force recommendations that he was a part of (attached).

Victoria Seever, Moscow, opposed the idea of solely a parking lot at the Sixth and Jackson Street property. Talked about the keystone property and how it represents the intersection of the University of Idaho and city of Moscow.

**3. Public Hearing: Proposed FY2025 Agency Budget and 5-year Capital Improvement Plan (A)**

*Staff has prepared the draft FY2025 budget document which includes anticipated revenues and expenditures for the upcoming fiscal year. The draft budget was reviewed by the Agency Board on June 20 and the Finance Committee on July 3, 2024 and both bodies recommended forwarding the budget to public hearing. In accordance with State Law, the Agency is required to conduct a public hearing on the annual appropriations budget to allow for public comment and testimony.*

Tack provided a brief review of the proposed Urban Renewal Agency FY2025 Budget and highlighted some of the expected expenditures and revenues. The budget fund balances are divided into Unassigned, Assigned, and Restricted categories, which describes how the money can be spent by the Agency.

Public Hearing opened at 7:47 AM

Victoria Seever, Moscow, wanted to share her appreciation for how much work the Agency does to make the public improvement projects happen. She read the comments she submitted via email to the Board (attached).

Public Hearing closed at 7:49 PM

There was a discussion about the differences between Planned and Committed projects in the Capital Improvement Plan. The South Main Underpass project is still listed as Planned because the project budget has not been yet been finalized.

Davis moved to adopt the FY2025 Budget, capital improvement plan, and corresponding Budget Resolution 2024-02, as recommended by Staff. The motion was seconded by Tompkins. Roll Call Vote; Ayes: Unanimous (6). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

**The meeting adjourned at 7:53 a.m.**



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Steve McGeehan, Agency Chair

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Date

NO.	RECOMMENDATION	ASSIGNMENT
1	Modify the current 3-hour downtown parking limits to create multiple zones for <i>Loading</i> (15-30 minutes), <i>Short-Term</i> (1-2 hours), <i>Medium-Term</i> (3-4 hours), and <i>Long-Term</i> (8 hours or more) use patterns;	Staff / Committee
2	Assess the number and location of Disabled Parking stalls, and increase and/or relocate as appropriate.	Staff
3	Increase the value and use of permits in existing, public, off-street parking lots with aggressive marketing and incentives for daily, long-term users of downtown parking;	Committee
4	Form partnership agreements with owners of private, downtown lots to encourage full use and coordinated management of surplus capacity in private, off-street parking areas in downtown;	Committee
5	Designate van and car pool spaces in public parking lots and make them available at reduced fees to promote their use;	Staff
6	Challenge the Chamber of Commerce, and Downtown Association(s) to develop "Customer First" parking policies and effective Employer/Employee incentive programs;	Committee
7	Determine what, if any, code changes may be required to enforce sanctions/towing of "unauthorized users" in private parking lots;	Staff
8	Invest in expansion of public transit services to and within the downtown, including expansion of routes/stops to and within the downtown area,	Staff / Transportation Commission
9	Improved snow removal at designated pull-outs/stops, and improved bus/transit stop signage and shelters at strategic downtown locations, or at Park and Ride lots remote from downtown;	Staff
10	Encourage bicycle and motorcycle use, as alternatives to cars, by providing additional, conveniently-located facilities, such as: bike racks, sheltered parking, bike lockers, motorcycle spaces (on and off-street);	Staff / Committee
11	As part of a comprehensive Sidewalk Improvement Program for the city, repair and replace unsafe, deteriorated downtown sidewalks that discourage pedestrians from walking to and within downtown;	Staff
12	Create (dispersed) parking zones sufficient to allow downtown residents with cars to park overnight and on weekends legally. Review overnight parking options for bar patrons (2 - 7 restriction).	Staff
13	Share responsibility among private and public entities and stakeholder groups to identify and obtain an additional 2-3 acres to accommodate 200-300 future, close-in surface parking spaces for use in and by downtown businesses and services; avoid further pursuit of costly public parking structures;	Staff / Committee
14	Discourage non-downtown through traffic along Main Street between Third and Sixth Street <i>and</i> between Third and A Street by adding traffic calming measures, pedestrian amenities, and consider reducing the speed limit;	Staff / Committee
15	Expand on-street parking along side streets, perpendicular to and within the bounds of the Washington/Jackson Street couplet system (where feasible at 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> , and 7 <sup>th</sup> Streets);	Staff
16	Consider modifying entry/egress to North and South Jackson Street parking lots and redesign them for enhanced safety, internal traffic flow, and provision of amenities for seasonal special event use;	Staff
17	As new general business zone(s) are added that surround the existing Central Business District require off-street parking for all new developments occurring after a designated code change and notice period;	Staff

## Jennifer Fleischman

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**From:** Seever, Victoria (vaseever@uidaho.edu) <vaseever@uidaho.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 30, 2024 11:52 AM  
**To:** Cody Riddle  
**Cc:** Jennifer Fleischman  
**Subject:** MURA BUDGET COMMENTS 8.1.24 Seever

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Budget Public Hearing: Comments from Victoria Seever, 121 N Lilly, Moscow ID 83843.  
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Per usual, the MURA budget looks good. You consistently responsibly select projects for fiscal undertakings in line with your mission and the city's welfare. I've seen a lot of that work over the years and appreciate it.

I know you are addressing the keystone property at 6th St and Jackson, reviewing persistent and recently revealed soil conundrums there. Clearly, no private developer would be fiscally able to take on reclaiming this brownfield.

The time and money MURA is investing in that property holds terrific promise for launching improvements and opportunities in that broad area adjacent to downtown.

It is a keystone property not only in modeling integrative urban mixed development, but in embracing a key aspect of your mission. Other developers will witness what they can aspire to.

Looking to the future, perhaps there may be an opportunity to work with the County Affordable Housing initiative that is being considered for possible development. A collaboration of thought and funds would be needed.

MURA is a likely candidate for engagement, with insight on how to integrate urban and fringe area development with affordability and sustainability much in mind.

Whether directly pointed out or not, projects require cash. I know that in this year's budget, any special things which might come up, and an eye to future phases of development, MURA will utilize its budget wisely.

Victoria Seever