

Minutes: Thursday, January 5, 2017, 7:00 a.m.

City of Moscow Council Chambers • 206 E 3rd Street • Moscow, ID 83843

McGeehan called the meeting to order at 7:02 a.m.

Commissioners Present	Commissioners Absent	Also in Attendance
Steve McGeehan, Chair	Dave McGraw	Bill Belknap, MURA Executive Director
Art Bettge		Gary Riedner, Interim Treasurer
Steve Drown		Anne Peterson, MURA Clerk
Ron Smith		
Brandy Sullivan		
John Weber		

- **1.** Consent Agenda 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 December 15, 2016

ACTION: Approve the consent agenda or take such other action deemed appropriate.

Bettge moved approval of the consent agenda, seconded by Weber. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Public Comment for items not on agenda

No comments.

3. Announcements

Belknap reported that Sullivan, Bettge and Weber have been reappointed by City Council.

4. Election of Officers for 2017 – Chairperson McGeehan

Per the Agency's bylaws, elections for officers for the year are to be held at the first meeting in January. The Agency will need to elect and appoint officers for the positions of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Secretary.

ACTION: Elect and appoint of the 2017 officers for the positions of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Secretary. Weber nominated the same officers continue for this year if they are willing to serve. Smith seconded the motion and McGeehan, Sullivan and Bettge said they were willing to serve in the same positions (Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary, respectively). Motion carried unanimously.

5. Agency Draft Strategic Plan Review – Bill Belknap

The Board has been working on development of a strategic plan to help guide and provide direction to the activities of the Agency. Staff has prepared a preliminary discussion draft of the strategic plan for the Board's review and input.

ACTION: Review discussion draft of the strategic plan and provide staff with direction.

Board members liked the draft in general. There was discussion about whether "allocation area" needed better explanation but the conclusion was a strategic plan should be more general. Discussion of vision statements ended with Belknap offering to wordsmith the general idea of "a collaborator with partner entities as a vehicle to assist them in achieving community desires and needs, goals and objectives." Sullivan suggested words such as

"evolving, responding to, being receptive, flexibility to take opportunities, becoming a partner in other entity visions." Belknap explained the public investment portfolio described the types of investments the Agency can make and the intended outcomes of the investments, with the goal being to allocate revenues above and beyond operational expenses to create capital for future projects. Sullivan recommended adding language about funding designated to public art. Belknap reviewed draft goals, objectives and actions/strategies for each District, including an expanded Legacy Crossing that would allow Agency participation in infrastructure updates on Main Street. The Capital Improvement portion will be discussed at the next meeting, as well as the appropriate distribution mechanism and identification of public locations where the strategic plan document should be made available. Belknap emphasized that the strategic plan and website update are both part of the process of 1) providing transparency, 2) ensuring the public has knowledge of the Agency's activities and reasons for its investments, and 3) increasing collaboration with partner entities in meeting community needs and desires.

6. General Agency Updates – Bill Belknap

- Legacy Crossing District
 - > Will report at the next meeting on 6th& Jackson remediation and status of the Sangria project.
- Alturas District
 - > There have been a couple recent inquiries Belknap hopes to be able to discuss at the next meeting.
- General Agency Business
 - Recent inquiries regarding industrial properties may push the SE Industrial District sooner than otherwise anticipated.

7. Executive Session: Pursuant to Idaho Code Section §67-2345(c)

At 7:54am Bettge moved to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-2345(c). Weber seconded the motion which carried unanimously. The executive session started at 7:56 am with the following in attendance: Steve Drown, Art Bettge, Steve McGeehan, Ron Smith, Brandy Sullivan, John Weber, Bill Belknap, Gary Riedner and Anne Peterson. The Executive Session concluded at 8:34 a.m.

Steve McGeehan, Agency Chair

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Date