



Community Forum Minutes

Community Forum Meeting - Virtual Zoom

October 22, 2020

5:30 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

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Administrative business

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM. Introductions were made and the members shared what they like most about Missoula. Antony Jo, likes that Missoula is safe, beautiful and welcoming. Ray Aten enjoys the views and the changing seasons. Mark McClements likes the community and outdoor recreation. Bert Lindler likes the mountains and beauty in the Grant Creek. Leah Morrow experiences the downtown and local businesses. Collen Biehl appreciates all the opportunities available. Robert Schultz likes to walk to where he wants to go. Jack Walton enjoys observing the elk herds. Carol Garlington loves the mountains, trails and variety of music. Ed Nolder appreciates Snow Bowl and being only 13 miles from his home. Ruth Burke likes the way the community is operating. Kate Laney enjoys bicycle transportation. Bryce Rowe likes the people in Missoula. Jennifer Copley loves the beauty and changes. Kathy Gaskill enjoys the open space and utilizing the trails. Nathan McLeod loves the parks. Katie Klietz likes being engaged with the people. Jon Sand likes walking to the river and the food farm. Colin Woodrow likes all the thoughtful people. Kelly Elam loves the mountains, rivers and fresh air.

Roll call by neighborhood council

Members present: Captain John Mullan, Antony Jo – Farviews/Pattee Canyon, Ray Aten - Franklin to the Fort, Mark McClements – Grant Creek, Bert Lindler – Heart of Missoula, Leah Morrow – Lewis & Clark, Colleen Biehl – Lower Rattlesnake, Robert Schultz – Miller Creek, Jack Walton – Moose Can Gully, Carol Garlington — Riverfront, Ed Nolder - South 39th, Ruth Burke - Two Rivers, Kate Laney - University District, Bryce Rowe – University District, Jennifer Copley – Upper Rattlesnake, Kathy Gaskill

Members absent: NS/WS - River Road – Rose Park – Southgate Triangle

Other present: Jon Sand, Development Services, Katie Klietz, Big Sky Public Relations Nathan McLeod, Parks & Rec., Colin Woodrow, Office of Neighborhoods, Kelly Elam, Office of Neighborhoods

Determination of quorum

A quorum was present.

Approval of minutes

Minutes for [February 27, 2020](#). Carol moved to approve the minutes and Jennifer seconded. The minutes were approved as submitted.

No minutes for October 1, 2020 – Informational Meeting on the North Riverside Trail Plan

Public comment on non-agenda items from audience

None

Presentations

Long Range Transportation Plan update

Jon Sand gave a presentation on the 30 year Long Range Transportation Plan. The plan is geared towards the urbanized area and small parts of the county. Public outreach will take place in November and December. They will collect feedback from the public all over the city and various stakeholder groups, and the information will enhance goals to provide the community a healthy, safe and equity environment.

Katie Klietz, Big Sky Public Relations said after they receive and compile the feedback, projects will be prioritized and the public will be asked for additional feedback and the public will be encouraged to become involved.

The plan is to group neighborhoods with the same issues and circumstances such as transportation. This is the easiest way to get robust discussion and feedback.

North Riverside Parks and Trails

Nate McLeod, Parks & Rec. Design Specialist said the plan includes Caras, East Caras, Bess Reed, Kiwanis and Downtown Lions Parks and Ron's River Trail. He gave an overview of what the plan includes. The plans can be viewed at www.EngageMissoula.com

Bert Lindler moved to support and endorse the North Riverside Parks & Trails Master Plan. Ray Aten seconded the motion. On a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Office of Neighborhoods Direction

Colin gave a brief overview of the changing ways the Office of Neighborhoods is going. A consultant has been working on a strategic assessment regarding what is working and what is not. Interviews were

conducted with many leadership team representatives and information was collected. A survey will be conducted that involves parks, open space, climate change, housing, transportation etc. This will give results on how people see their neighborhoods and what changes can be made. It will possibly grow and expand the Office of Neighborhoods which may provide more funding. The changes stays consistent with the Charter with no amendments.

Request for Work Study Funding for \$4000 from reallocated funds.

Colin said there is \$7200 in reallocated funds. The request for \$4000 is to fund three Grad students from the University. They will help compile and put together all the assessment and survey information.

Ray Aten moved to approve \$4000 from reallocated funds to fund Grad students. Bert Lindler seconded the motion. The motion passed by a voice vote unanimously.

Building Successful Zoom Meetings

The Zoom instructions will be posted on the Neighborhood website.

Leadership Term Extension

The members were asked to keep serving until elections can be held.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7 pm