



**MISSOULA NEIGHBORHOODS**  
**Community Forum Report**  
**City Council Chambers, 140 W. Pine**  
**September 23, 2010 at 7:00 pm**  
**Moderator, Ray Aten**

Captain John Mullan – Kathie Snodgrass  
Farviews/Pattee Canyon – Ray Aten  
Franklin to the Fort – Absent  
Grant Creek – Absent  
Heart of Missoula – Bill Flanery  
Lewis & Clark – Greg Gullickson  
Lower Rattlesnake – Absent  
Miller Creek – Absent  
Moose Can Gully – Absent  
Northside – Absent  
River Road – Mike Hathaway

Riverfront – Absent  
Rose Park – Absent  
South 39<sup>th</sup> – Cathy Deschamps  
Southgate Triangle – Erik West  
University District – Absent  
Upper Rattlesnake – Don Sims  
Westside – Absent

City Council Liaison – Jon Wilkins  
Neighborhood Liaison – Erin Scott

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Kimberly Allen, Kiera Gallup

**QUORUM**

A quorum was not present

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

A quorum was not present

**APPROVAL OF CF MINUTES**

Minutes will be approved at a later date.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (non-agenda items from the public)**

Kiera Gallup, American Red Cross stated the American Red Cross of Montana responds to a disaster every 53 hours, and Montana is vulnerable to a number of disasters including flooding, wildfires, tornados, earthquakes, high winds and others. She distributed a [handout](#) stating the organization offers free disaster preparedness training programs. The programs are an hour long and for more information contact [www.montanaredcross.org](http://www.montanaredcross.org) or 1-800-272-6668.

**PRESENTATIONS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Community Forum Budget Resolution.

The forum discussed the language stated in [Resolution 6601](#) and reviewed the [revised draft](#) regarding the community forum budget guidelines. They discussed Attachment A., the Guidelines

for "Appropriate Uses of Neighborhood Council Operating Funds," and the forum agreed to the new language. The language was clarified in Attachment B, "Neighborhood Small Projects Fund" and they agreed to the changes.

## **ON GOING BUSINESS**

None

## **REPORTS**

### 1. Staff Report – Erin Scott

Ms. Scott stated she attended the U of M career fair to find a work study student to help in the Office of Neighborhoods. She received three resumes and chose Kate Hall. Ms. Hall is from Livingston and attends the U of M and is studying Exercise Science. She will work in the Office of Neighborhoods on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:30 pm to 5:00 pm. Ms. Scott noted Ms. Hall is a hard worker and fits in well. Ms. Scott intends to introduce Ms. Hall to the neighborhood councils and discussed the job duties that Kate is performing.

Ms. Scott stated there are eight applications requesting large project grants and they are currently being processed. The committee will meet on October 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss the applications, and they will be presented to the forum in November.

### 2. Neighborhood Council Reports.

River Road – Mike Hathaway stated they had a general meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup> and they discussed LaFray Park, the project grants, scheduling an October meeting, Leadership Team, and sandwich board replacement.

Upper Rattlesnake – Don Sims announced there will be a joint meeting with the Upper and Lower Rattlesnake to discuss transportation issues.

Southgate Triangle – Erik West said they discussed their next general meeting. Inaudible

Lewis & Clark – Greg Gullickson announced their new leadership team has met two times. Their general neighborhood meeting will be October 13<sup>th</sup>, at the Lewis & Clark grade school. They applied for two large neighborhood grants; one for a traffic signal box art and one to help pay for the new Lewis & Clark play ground equipment.

Farviews/Pattee Canyon – Ray Aten, no report.

Heart of Missoula – Bill Flanery reported they had a council meeting on September 8<sup>th</sup>. Inaudible.

South 39<sup>th</sup> – Cathy Deschamps stated they will have a general meeting in October. They applied for a large grant for a traffic signal box art located in their neighborhood.

Captain John Mullan – Kathie Snodgrass stated the leadership met and scheduled a general meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> and they will discuss Pleasant View Park.

City Council Liaison Report – Jon Wilkins reviewed the city council's actions regarding the Road & Park Special Improvement Districts, the new Prius, and the Montana Leagues of Cities and Towns that the city council will be attending on Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> – 8th.

He mentioned the residential twelve point inspection program that allows rentals and homeowners to have their home inspected for safety.

### **Strategic Planning – Janet Fiero & Erin Scott**

Ms. Scott discussed last year's goal planning and mentioned the forum did not get a chance to move forward with the objectives.

Ms. Scott asked the forum to form two groups to discuss goals and solutions to move forward for 2011. The objective is to develop a plan for neighborhood networking, gain continuity and share resources. The goals are to:

1. Encourage and support neighborhood participation in city government where it does not exist.
2. Create a media plan to raise awareness about neighborhood councils, community forum and the office of neighborhoods.
3. To build and create opportunities for neighborhood communication, neighborhood initiated projects, interaction and problem solving.

The forum divided into two groups and discussed the goals.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 PM

Respectfully submitted,

*Kelly Elam*

City Clerk Office