



**City of Missoula, Montana**  
**Item to be Referred to City Council Committee**

**Committee:** Committee of the Whole

**Item:** Resolution of Intent to Adopt the 2019 Missoula Downtown Master Plan

**Date:** October 3, 2019

**Sponsor(s):** Ellen Buchanan

**Prepared by:** Ellen Buchanan

**Ward(s) Affected:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ward 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ward 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 5
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ward 3	<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 6
<input type="checkbox"/> All Wards	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

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**Action Required:**

Approve a Resolution of Intent to adopt the 2019 Missoula Downtown Master Plan as an amendment to the 2035 Missoula City Growth Policy and set a public hearing for November 4, 2019.

**Recommended Motion(s):**

I move the City Council: Approve a Resolution of Intent to adopt the 2019 Missoula Downtown Master Plan as an amendment to the 2035 Missoula Growth Policy, replacing the 2009 Missoula Greater Downtown Master Plan, and set a public hearing for Monday, November 4, 2019

**Timeline:**

Referral to committee:	October 7, 2019
Committee discussion:	October 16, 2019
Council action (or sets hearing):	October 21, 2019
Public Hearing:	November 4, 2019
Deadline:	November 4, 2019

**Background and Alternatives Explored:**

The Business Improvement District contracted with Dover Kohl & Partners to take the community through the creation of an update of the 2009 Greater Downtown Master Plan. The 2019 Downtown Master Plan is the culmination of a year of public engagement and plan development, during which almost 4,000 people participated. The Plan has been adopted by the Missoula Downtown Association, the Business Improvement District and the Downtown Foundation. It is anticipated that the Missoula Parking Commission and the Missoula Redevelopment Agency will have also adopted the Plan prior to the Public Hearing on November 4. The Planning Board has voted unanimously to recommend that the City Council adopt the plan as amendment to the Missoula Growth Policy. A link to the Master Plan is provided below.

**Financial Implications:**

Adoption of the Master Plan will have no immediate financial impact on the City General Fund. Implementation will be phased and individual projects may be brought to City Council for funding approval.

**Links to external websites:**

<https://missouladowntownmasterplan.com/>