

Missoula City Council Public Works Committee Minutes

**July 21, 2021, 2:30 pm
ZOOM Webinar**

Members present: Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra (chair), John P. Contos, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, Sandra Vasecka, Heidi West

Members absent: Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg

1. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1.1 Roll Call

1.2 Approval of the Minutes

1.2.1 PW Committee Minutes from 7/14/2021

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3.1 Appointment to the Building Code Board of Appeals

Mirtha Becerra presenting,

Ms. Becerra thanked Mr. Schaff for dedicating his time to the community by serving on this board.

Moved by: Amber Sherrill

Confirm the Mayor's appointment of Bill Schaff to the Building Code Board of Appeals, as a Master Plumber, for a term beginning immediately and expiring on June 30, 2024.

AYES: (10): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, John Contos, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, Sandra Vasecka, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (2): Jesse Ramos, and Bryan von Lossberg

Vote results: Approved (10 to 0)

3.2 Construction Management/General Contractor Agreement with Western Interstate Construction for the 1337 W Broadway Remodel Project

Jeremy Keene Director of Public Works presenting,

Mr. Keene explained this contract is for remodeling the Re Compute building that was purchased adjacent to the water building. This is going to be office space in the interim until the Federal building and Scott Street buildings are ready in two to three years. Mr.

Keene explained the City does not want to spend a lot of money on this remodel, and \$300,000 was quite a bit lower than some of the other estimates the City was given. Therefore, the financing of the remodel will be allocated to each division within public works that will use this space.

Ms. Vasecka commented that she appreciated the bid process that was used in selecting the contractor. However, she stated she was against the purchase initially and will not be supporting this motion.

Ms. Harp asked Mr. Keene to elaborate on how this will help his staffing needs. Mr. Keene explained that the reorganization of Public Works added the engineering staff to the department. The intention was to move engineering from City Hall to the Broadway building to be close to other public works staff. This would also free up space at City Hall for Community Planning, Development, Innovation (CPDI) to use. Public Works and Mobility is also hiring three new engineers and currently don't have space for them.

Moved by: Julie Merritt

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Construction Management/General Contractor Agreement with Western Interstate Construction to perform both preconstruction design services and construction management services for the 1337 W Broadway Remodel Project.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, and Heidi West

NAYS: (2): John Contos, and Sandra Vasecka

ABSENT: (2): Jesse Ramos, and Bryan von Lossberg

Vote results: Approved (8 to 2)

4. ADJOURNMENT

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