



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

Committee: Committee of the Whole

Item: Election of City Council Committee chairs

Date: December 30, 2021

Sponsor(s): Marty Rehbein

Prepared by: same

Ward(s) Affected:

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

Action Required:
Election

Recommended Motion(s):
I move the City Council: I nominate _____ as chair of _____ committee.

Timeline:

Referral to committee:	January 3, 2022
Committee discussion:	January 5, 2022
Council action (or sets hearing):	n/a
Public Hearing:	n/a
Deadline:	n/a

Background and Alternatives Explored:

City Council Rule 21 E provides that committee chairs are elected at Committee of the Whole following the first regular meeting after a general city election. The Council President is the chair of Committee of the Whole, and a majority of all Council members elected is required to approve the chair of the other standing committees including:

- Administration and Finance Committee
- Land Use and Planning Committee
- Parks and Conservation Committee
- Public Safety and Health
- Public Works

Rule 21 E follows:

E. Selecting committee chairpersons

Committee chairpersons shall be elected by the Committee of the Whole following the first regular meeting of the City Council in January after the general municipal election. Chairperson selection is made by the Committee of the Whole and is not forwarded to a City Council meeting for a vote. A majority of all Council members elected is required to approve this type of appointment. In the event of a tie, or by a majority vote of the Committee of the Whole, the committee chairperson election shall be continued to the next regular committee of the whole meeting. If the tie vote cannot be resolved by the Committee of the Whole members within the next two regular Committee of the Whole meetings after the first regularly scheduled Committee of the Whole meeting in January, the selection of a committee

chairperson shall be referred to the City Council President who shall select a chairperson for the committee.

A committee vice chairperson shall be appointed by the committee chairperson as the need arises.

Financial Implications:

n/a

Links to external websites:

n/a