Missoula City Council Housing, Redevelopment, and Community Programs Committee Minutes

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August 31, 2022 1:15 PM Microsoft Teams 1

Members present:	Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Daniel Carlino, John P. Contos, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Mike Nugent, Amber Sherrill, Heidi West
Members absent:	Kristen Jordan, Jennifer Savage, Sandra Vasecka

The Committee Chair, Heidi West, called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1.1 Roll Call

The admin called the roll.

1.2 Approval of the Minutes

Mirtha Becerra and Daniel Carlino joined the meeting at 1:17 p.m.

1.2.1 Approval of the Minutes From August 24th, 2022

The minutes were approved as submitted.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3.1 Women's Business Center Agreement

Stacie Anderson and Mike Nugent joined the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

Dale Bickell, Chief Administrative Officer, City of Missoula, presented the contract and outlined grant funding which would help support the Women's Business Center housed at the University of Montana. Mr. Bickell then introduced Paul Gladen, Director of the Blackstone Launchpad at the University of Montana, who provided program specifics including coaching, training opportunities, and access to training for female entrepreneurs and small business owners. The Committee members and Mr. Gladen discussed the number of women owned businesses in the Missoula area and the statistics of women who left the workplace during the pandemic. For further information please see the attached video.

There was no public comment.

Moved by: Mike Nugent

approve and authorize the mayor to sign an agreement with MonTEC for \$37,500 to help support the Women's Business Center.

AYES: (9): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Daniel Carlino, John P. Contos, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Mike Nugent, Amber Sherrill, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (3): Kristen Jordan, Jennifer Savage, and Sandra Vasecka

Vote results: Approved (9 to 0)

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:26 p.m.