



Repeal Domestic Partnership Resolution

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History

- ▶ In 2013, Council adopted a resolution creating a domestic partnership registry to recognize the mutual support, caring and commitment unmarried couples have in their relationships and further wishes to support the right and dignity of unmarried couples to have their relationships recognized.
- ▶ On June 26, 2015, the United State Supreme Court declared same-sex marriage legal in all 50 states.
- ▶ Since same-sex marriage became legal, the domestic registry partnership has evolved as a way for Montana residents (this program is available statewide) to declare their partnership and get a certificate they present to their employer to receive domestic partnership benefits.

Year	Registered Partnerships
2021	22
2020	18

Request

- ▶ The City Clerk's office would like to evolve this program from a registry to a form that is available on the City website.
- ▶ Couples will access the affidavit on the website, they fill it out and present it to their employer for benefits

Benefits

- ▶ Time, effort and money saved for citizens and the City Clerk's office.