

Missoula City Council Public Works Committee Minutes

September 28, 2022, 8:30 am

Council Chambers (in person) or TEAMS (virtually)

Attend in person: City Council Chambers, 140 W Pine, Missoula MT

Members present: Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra (chair), Daniel Carlino, John P. Contos, Gwen Jones, Kristen Jordan, Mike Nugent, Amber Sherrill

Members absent: Jennifer Savage, Sandra Vasecka, Heidi West

1. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1.1 Roll Call

1.2 Approval of the Minutes

1.2.1 PW Committee Minutes from September 21, 2022

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3.1 A Resolution to support the Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program Grant Application

Aaron Wilson Planning Manager presenting,

The Reconnecting Communities Grant is a federal funding source. It is designed for communities that have been negatively impacted by transportation infrastructures such as highways and railroads. The project that seems to fit the best is a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) project along Highway 200. Highway 200 divides East Missoula from Missoula. The community struggles to bike and walk along that corridor. The area does not have any sidewalks, bike lanes, or lighting. The interstate and railroad tracts cause a significant pinch point to anyone who bikes or walks through that area. It becomes hazardous to bikes and pedestrians with the high speeds of traffic. The funding will go to items such as engineering design and right-of-way studies. This project's scope is from Van Buren out to Tamarack Street along Broadway and Highway 200.

Moved by: Gwen Jones

Adopt a Resolution of the Missoula City Council in support of the Missoula Metropolitan Planning Organization's Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program grant application, titled *Reconnecting East Missoula*.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Daniel Carlino, John Contos, Gwen Jones, Kristen Jordan, Mike Nugent, and Amber Sherrill

ABSENT: (3): Jennifer Savage, Sandra Vasecka, and Heidi West

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

4. ADJOURNMENT