



**City of Missoula, Montana
City Council Committee Agenda Item**

Committee: Public Works and Mobility

Item: Resolution to create Public Utility Easements and Public Access Easements for 507 Simons Drive

Date: September 22, 2022

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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 type="checkbox"/> N/A

Action Required:

Support the resolution to create Public Utility Easements and Public Access Easements for 507 Simons Drive.

Recommended Motion(s):

I move the City Council: Adopt and Authorize the Mayor to sign a Resolution to create a public utility easement and public access easement for 507 Simons Drive.

Timeline:

Committee discussion:	September 28, 2022
Council action (or sets hearing):	October 3, 2022
Public Hearing (if required):	N/A
Final Consideration	N/A
Deadline:	N/A

Background and Alternatives Explored:

The City's water utility enterprise fund owns the property at 507 Simons Drive and is pursuing a subdivision exemption authorization (SEA) to subdivide the lot into two parcels. The Water utility will retain ownership of the Southern parcel (Parcel 1) while selling the Northern parcel (Parcel 2). Whoever purchases Parcel 2 will be able to develop that land in accordance with existing zoning requirements. Proceeds from the sale of Parcel 2 will remain in the Water Enterprise Fund and will be available to fund improvements in the water system.

To meet City SEA requirements and protect existing water infrastructure, Public Works and Mobility is proposing to create public access easement and public utility easement on Parcel 2. The public access easement will consist of two areas. The first is a 60-foot wide easement extending from Simons Drive across Parcel 2 to Parcel 1 and could accommodate a standard neighborhood street. The second is a 10-foot wide easement along the Western boundary of Parcel 2 for a future trail connection. A 20-foot wide public utility easement is proposed along watermain located in Parcel 2. The existing lot contains a water tank, booster pump station, and several water mains. The tank and booster pump station are located on Parcel 1, which will remain under Public Works ownership.

Financial Implications:

Links to external websites: