



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

**Committee:** Public Safety, Health and Operations

**Item:** Ordinance allowing market sheep, goats and poultry as part of a 4H and FFA student project

**Date:** November 30, 2022

**Sponsor(s):** Heidi West

**Prepared by:** Marty Rehbein, Legislative Services Director

**Ward(s) Affected:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 4
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<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 3	<input type="checkbox"/> Ward 6
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**Action Required:**

Conduct public hearing and consider ordinance

**Recommended Motion(s):**

12/19: I move the City Council: [First reading and preliminary adoption] Set a public hearing on January 9, 2023, and preliminarily adopt an ordinance of the Missoula City Council amending Title 6, Chapter 6.07, Section 6.07.1010 entitled "Regulations concerning keeping of livestock and domestic fowl" to allow student members of 4H and Future Farmers of America (FFA) to keep market sheep, market goats and market poultry as part of a 4-H or FFA project on a parcel that is less than an acre in size subject to certain conditions and other minor amendments to reflect current laws and practices.

1/23: [Second and final reading] (Adopt/Deny) An ordinance of the Missoula City Council amending Title 6, Chapter 6.07, Section 6.07.1010 entitled "Regulations concerning keeping of livestock and domestic fowl" to allow student members of 4H and Future Farmers of America (FFA) to keep market sheep, market goats and market poultry as part of a 4-H or FFA project on a parcel that is less than an acre in size subject to certain conditions and other minor amendments to reflect current laws and practices

**Timeline:**

Committee discussion:	December 14, 2022
Council action (or sets hearing):	December 19, 2022
Public Hearing (if required):	January 9, 2023
Final Consideration	January 23, 2023
Deadline:	January 23, 2023

**Background and Alternatives Explored:**

To create an exemption to Missoula's current Livestock ordinance for 4H and FFA students to increase the participation of urban youth in agricultural educational opportunities and the Missoula County Fair. This is in line with several community goals including supporting local agriculture, increasing food security, and reducing the number of miles food products travel.

The ordinance update suggestions were presented to the Missoula City Council Animal Control board on November 2, 2022 and were supported with recommendations.

**Financial Implications:**

n/a

**Links to external websites:**

<https://www.missoulaeduplace.org/4-h>

<https://www.mcpsmt.org/domain/3617>