



**City of Missoula, Montana**  
**Item to be Referred to City Council Committee**

**Committee:** Public Safety and Health

**Item:** Confirmation of Officers

**Date:** August 27, 2020

**Sponsor(s):** Jaeson White

**Prepared by:** Laurie Clark

**Ward(s) Affected:**

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| <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> All Wards | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A    |

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**Action Required:**

Confirm Officers Charles Burton, Tyler Swartz, Samuel Leyba, Nathan Champa, Timothy Muis, Clark Nissley, Daniel Buchholtz, Amanda Jay

**Recommended Motion(s):**

I move the City Council: confirm Officers Charles Burton, Tyler Swartz, Samuel Leyba, Nathan Champa, Timothy Muis, Clark Nissley, Daniel Buchholtz, Amanda Jay

**Timeline:**

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| Referral to committee:            | September 14, 2020                               |
| Committee discussion:             | September 16, 2020                               |
| Council action (or sets hearing): | September 21, 2020                               |
| Public Hearing:                   | <a href="#">Click or tap here to enter text.</a> |
| Deadline:                         | <a href="#">Click or tap here to enter text.</a> |

**Background and Alternatives Explored:**

Police Officers are hired as probationary officers and are on probation for a period of one year. Their training includes 12 weeks at the Montana Law Enforcement Academy (unless previously academy-certified) and they are then in our department's Field Training Officer program for up to 14 weeks. After this six-month training period, officers are "on their own" responding to calls, etc. and are supervised by Corporals and Sergeants in their day-to-day activities.

Once they have satisfactorily completed the academy, FTO program and six additional months of probationary status, they are referred to City Council for confirmation.

**Financial Implications:**

**Links to external websites:**