

Missoula City Council Committee of the Whole Minutes

June 24, 2020

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Members present: Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, John P. Contos, Heather Harp, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, Sandra Vasecka, Bryan von Lossberg, Heidi West

Members absent: Jordan Hess, Jesse Ramos

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

von Lossberg - Public comment.

Dennis Gordon, Ward 5 - Spoke about the Missoula War Veterans Statue vandalism. He is requesting that the council makes sure the vandals are brought to justice, fill in. Asked that council takes action

3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3.1 Affordable Housing Trust Fund Ordinance & Funding Commitments Resolution

von Lossberg - Follow-up meeting on Affordable Housing Trust Fund Ordinance and Funding Commitments Resolution. I'm going to turn this over to Montana.

Montana James, Community Development Manager - recapped some of the information from last week.

von Lossberg - Heidi, do you have comments?

West - Thank you Montana for your report. I think that housing as a human right is added to the resolution. I have questions about the MRAs participation in this. What is the role of the advisory committee.

Montana James - We are addressing financing and gap financing. We clarified that the grant can grant or loan funds. We added language about protections to the ordinance.

von Lossberg - At what date would you plan to provide the final version that will go to the public hearing?

Montana James - We would get it to the Clerk's office the Friday prior at noon.

von Lossberg - There is a lot that has been done already that will be brought together and submitted the Friday before the public hearing. There is still time afterwards for changes.

Harp - Thank you Montana for taking the lead on this. Heidi brought up some great input. How do we make sure the housing trust fund is apolitical and should not depend on who is in office?

von Lossberg - Thanks Heather, ultimately we pass language so lets work on that.

Sherrill - Some of my questions from last week were answered throughout the week and that is available on our engagement page. We are going to keep this thing going. Is this an endless timeline? Is there inflationary language in there?

Eran Pehan - We see this as a revolving trust fund. We don't have specific language on inflation in there.

West - Some of the other language was about the preservation of affordable housing.

von Lossberg - I am appreciative of Heidi and others work on this and thanks to staff for their engagement and incorporate changes.

Information Only--Public hearing scheduled 7/13/2020

4. ADJOURNMENT

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