

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

Committee:	Parks and Conservation
Item:	Easement amendment for West Broadway Island shared parking lot
Date:	February 23, 2021
Sponsor(s):	David Selvage
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Ward(s) Affected:	 ☑ Ward 1 □ Ward 2 □ Ward 3 □ Ward 6

Action Required:

Approve amendment of easement transferring control and responsibility for power supply and meter serving parking lot lighting from City to property owners (Interconnect International, LLC).

Recommended Motion(s):

I move the City Council: Approve the amended cross access and shared parking permanent easement between Interconnect International LLC and the City and authorize the Mayor to sign, and direct the City Clerk to record the amended easement.

Timeline:

Referral to committee: Committee discussion: Council action (or sets hearing): Public Hearing: Deadline: March 1, 2021 March 3, 2021 March 8, 2021 Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text.

Background and Alternatives Explored:

Missoula Redevelopment Agency (MRA) and the City's Parks & Recreation Department were contacted by Interconnect International who requested control and responsibility for the parking lot's lighting power supply and meter. Interconnect international is considering expanding retail services on its property that requires power, which is available from the existing parking lot power supply and meter.

Interconnect International and MRA previously cooperated on a Tax Increment funded project to construct the shared parking lot. Subsequent to completion of the parking lot project, the parties executed a permanent easement for cross access and shared parking. The responsibility for power was assigned to City Parks and Recreation.

City Parks and Recreation pays an average of \$5.00/month for the cost of power to the parking lot lights. There is no specific need for the City to retain control and continue to pay for the cost to run the parking lot lighting, nor are there any known projects or plans that would require future City access to this power supply. The existing power meter is located very close to the common property line. Approval of the easement amendment would allow the City to turn responsibility for the meter to Interconnect International LLC allowing them to then extend a power supply line from

the meter, west through their property, adjacent to the parking lot. The proposed amendment and any changes to the power supply would have no material impact on the shared parking, cross access, parking lot lighting, or City lands. Both MRA and City Parks and Recreation Directors have reviewed the proposal and are in support of the easement amendment.

Financial Implications:

Minor savings to City (estimated to be \$60/year)

Links to external websites: