

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

Committee: Public Works

Item: Ordinances amending Chapter 10.42 and 12.40 Missoula Municipal

Code to permit electrically assisted bicycles on commuter trails and

public right-of-way

Date: July 17, 2019

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Ward(s) Affected:

☑ Ward 1
 ☑ Ward 2
 ☑ Ward 5
 ☑ Ward 3
 ☑ Ward 6
 ☐ N/A

Action Required: Set a new public hearing and consider ordinances amending MMC 10.42, MMC 12.40

Recommended Motion(s):

I move the City Council:

July 22, 2019

[First reading and preliminary adoption] Set a public hearing on August 5, 2019, and preliminarily adopt an ordinance of the Missoula City Council amending Missoula Municipal Code Title 10, Chapter 10.42 entitled "Bicycles", to permit and regulate the use of electrically assisted bicycles within the City and on an ordinance of the Missoula City Council amending Missoula Municipal Code Title 12, Chapter 12.40 entitled "City Parks" to allow certain electrically assisted bicycles to use primary commuter trails within the City.

August 5, 2019

[Second reading and final adoption] (Adopt/Deny) an ordinance of the Missoula City Council amending Missoula Municipal Code Title 10, Chapter 10.42 entitled "Bicycles", to permit and regulate the use of electrically assisted bicycles within the City and an ordinance of the Missoula City Council amending Missoula Municipal Code Title 12, Chapter 12.40 entitled "City Parks" to allow certain electrically assisted bicycles to use primary commuter trails within the City

Timeline:

Referral to committee:

Committee discussion:

Council acts to set hearing:

Public Hearing:

Deadline:

July 11, 2019

7/17/19

8/5/19

Background and Alternatives Explored:

Staff drafted the proposed ordinances in order to establish regulations around the use of electrically assisted bicycles, a popular and fast growing segment of the bike industry. Revisions to MMC 10.42 and MMC 12.40 both relate to the use of these bicycles by private individuals.

Financial Implications: None

Links to external websites: