

Council Legislative Committee

DATE: Wednesday, January 11, 2022

TIME: 4:00 PM

PLACE: City Hall Conference Room

210 N. 27th Street, Billings, MT

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor/Council: ☐ Kendra Shaw – Ward 1; ☐ Roy Neese – Ward 2; ☐ Danny Choriki – Ward 3
☐ Pam Purinton – Ward 4; ☐ Tom Rupsis – Ward 5

Staff:

ADJOURN TIME:

Agenda

PUBLIC COMMENT	(Public comment is limited to three minutes or as set by the presiding officer. Please sign in on the roster provided Comments are to be directed to agenda items and items within the scope of this committee)
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Approve minutes	Approve minutes from December 14.
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TOPIC # 1 – Continued from prior Meetings	<p>Continued review of changes to public safety bills that the Committee recommended to Council for general support. Bills can be found at https://leg.mt.gov/committees/interim/cjoc/</p> <p>A) CJOC 1.2 - Revises sentencing laws for theft and thematically-related crimes.</p> <p>B) CJOC 2.2 - Addresses matters regarding recovery residences, also known as sober living homes.</p> <p>C) CJOC 3.2 - Creates a separate definition for persistent felony offender under supervision.</p> <p>D) CJOC 4 - Revises sentencing laws for disorderly conduct.</p> <p>E) CJOC 5.2 - Makes theft of a motor vehicle assessed at any value a felony.</p> <p>F) CJOC 6 - Creates diversion agreement program for certain drug offenses.</p> <p>Attachments: Draft Legislation: CJOC 2.2, CJOC 3.2, CJOC 4, CJOC 1.2, CJOC 5.2, CJOC 6, Draft Legislation Decision Points</p>
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PRESENTER	<i>Pam Purinton</i>
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NOTES / OUTCOME:	
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TOPIC # 2 - Continued from prior Meetings	Continued review of changes to bills MLCT supports or opposes that the committee recommended to Council for general support.
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PRESENTER	<i>Chris Kukulski</i>
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NOTES / OUTCOME:	
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TOPIC # 3 - Continued from prior Meetings	Discussion of what topic areas committee members may individually be interested in tracking
PRESENTER	<i>All members</i> – Public Safety bills, Local government control Kendra – Housing, property tax, local option tax Roy – Land use, housing, property rights, meth reporting, property tax Danny – Human services, appropriations, diversion programs, housing, recommended fastdemocracy.com to track bills. Pam – Local government bills, housing, judicial, Tom – economic development
NOTES / OUTCOME:	
TOPIC # 4	Others entities' positions on Legislation that impact the City
PRESENTER	Chris Kukulski - legislative priorities of MT Infrastructure Coalition
NOTES / OUTCOME:	
TOPIC # 5	Update from the city's lobbyist
PRESENTER	Chris Kukulski - Zoom meeting
NOTES / OUTCOME:	
TOPIC # 6	Review of current legislation and the City's position (info such as the bill reference, who is testifying when and a summary/rational). Review and forward recommendation to City Council.
PRESENTER	<i>Chris Kukulski</i>
NOTES / OUTCOME:	
TOPIC # 7	Items to add to next or future meeting agenda
PRESENTER	<i>Roy Neese</i>
NOTES / OUTCOME:	
Public Comment	
Adjourn by 5:00 PM	

Note: Meetings through the end of the Legislature session will be 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 4-5pm.