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To: Grp. City Council and City Web Site; Dept. Mayors Office; Eran Pehan
Cc: Dept. Attorney
Subject: FW: Bee keeping in city limits_Inquiry
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From: Danni Johnston <JohnstonD@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Sent: Wednesday, February 23, 2022 4:32 PM
To: Jim Nugent <NugentJ@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Subject: RE: Bee keeping in city limits_Inquiry

Its possible

https://agr.mt.gov/BeeProgram

There are currently about 650 registered beekeepers in Montana spanning over four different classifications. The types of registrations are:

1. Commercial: Commercial yards must be at least 3 miles from another commercial apiary site operated by a different beekeeper. Commercial yards must also have at least 10 hives present from April 15 - October 15 for 10 consecutive days.
2. Landowner: Landowner yards are able to register any number of hives at the location. However, the apiary must be managed by the landowner.
3. Hobbyist: A hobbyist yard is defined by a beekeeper who has ten or less hives and may have no more than two apiary locations.
4. Pollination: Pollination yards are provisional locations registered for pollination of a specific commercial seed, fruit, or other commercial agricultural product. They are only valid for the specified amount of time that a crop is in peak bloom.

> For more information about beekeeping in Montana, please visit the Honeybee page, which contains information on honeybee locations, health certificates, and fee requirements.

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ERAN:

According to the lady with the bees; she is asserting that her bees are registered with the Montana Department of Agriculture Bee Program. See below.

JIM NUGENT

From: Amber Sherrill <SherrillA@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Sent: Wednesday, February 23, 2022 3:59 PM
To: Jim Nugent <NugentJ@ci.missoula.mt.us>
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Hi Jim,

I don't know if you are on this email or if it has already been sent your way.

Thanks

Amber Sherrill

Missoula City Councilwoman

Ward 4

From: Maged Nosshi <mnosshi@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 23, 2022 11:26 AM
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Hello,

I am a resident of Missoula and a property owner and recently received a warning from city planning and development regarding the presence of my bee hives. The letter warned that if not removed within **10 days** of receipt of this letter then I face fines and the hives will be exterminated and removed.

My hives are registered with the Montana Department of Agriculture Bee program, I am a member of the Big Sky Beekeepers and have kept bees for the past 8 years as a hobbyist.

Please advise on the legality of this letter and how I should proceed.
Thank you,
Maged Nosshi