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**From:** donnaleeboyer@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023 6:47 PM  
**To:** Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Subject:** Homeless shelter

*I live in the neighborhood where you want to open the homeless shelter all year round. These last years have been terrible for the people that live in the homes in our neighborhood. Messes on the street, unable to walk around neighborhood without being panhandled, a children's park directly behind shelter, the state of the property and street around center deplorable. I was approached frequently when working in front yard from people asking for money. Then we pay people to clean up after the people living there not to forget the many police call going to shelter. Put the shelter in your neighborhood and experience the negatives. May you should provide living quarters to the clients who are out there work and not expecting a handout. Get the mentally ill mental health support and help them get off of the streets being exploited by other street people. Something constructive need to be done for them not enabling them and encouraging other to come here because of all that we provide for them without expectations.*

*Also would you fix the North Ave street in this area and place a speed sign at Mcloed Park as people speed up and down my street.*

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**From:** Mirtha Becerra  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023 5:23 PM  
**To:** Ginny Merriam; Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Subject:** RE: Fireworks public information

Thank you Ginny!  
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**From:** Ginny Merriam <MerriamG@ci.missoula.mt.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2023 8:30 PM  
**To:** Grp. City Council and City Web Site <Council@ci.missoula.mt.us>  
**Subject:** Fireworks public information

Dear Council members,

You will all likely receive calls from constituents asking about fireworks with questions ranging from enforcement to where the public shows are. Here are some particulars.

- Attached are our three radio spots. They will run in rotation June 25 (yesterday) through July 4 across five diverse-audience Townsquare radio stations, 50 spots per station. Townsquare gives us a 50 percent donation on the package, very generous.
- The Fireworks Report Line number will be 258-4850. It will be activated from Wednesday, June 28, through July 4. We call it a Report Line instead of a Hotline because Police and Fire are never able to respond immediately to every call, and we want to be clear about that expectation. They respond to as many calls as they can.
- We are referring people to the post-game fireworks shows at the Civic Stadium after the Paddleheads ball games on June 30 and July 1 for people wanting to see professional shows. Southgate Mall once again this year is unable to put on a show because of limited resources of money and labor.
- For people wanting to know what fireworks are legal, you can refer them to this City web page: <http://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/1763/Fireworks> .
- I will send out a news release on Wednesday with complete information, including the Report Line number, and post a news item on the website home page to stay up through the holiday.
- You can contact me, as well as leadership in the Fire and Police departments, with questions.

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**From:** Mariah Gray <graym2926@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023 3:47 PM  
**To:** Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Subject:** Houseless

Hello,

Yes. There may be individuals with integrity who are without proper housing. That is wrong.

The problem is those individuals who have no interest in abiding by the basic mores of our society yet expect the government to support them. These individuals you must stop enabling through the Poverello programs and individual ignorance of these individuals. I have experienced first hand their rude and disrespectful behavior since they have been camping at Lyons Park and on the land next to it. Just today a car parked on private property the car owner jumped the fence and dealt drugs. They continually trespass on private property despite being asked not to. These people must be dealt with differently than those who need a hand up not a hand out.

The reality of the multiplicity of the house less situation must be exposed as well as the Missoula city governments lack of common sense in addressing this issue. The crisis is not in the homeless but in the governments response.

Thank you for your time.

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**From:** Debbie Erbacher <debbiee@missoulachamber.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023 2:53 PM  
**To:** Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Cc:** midtown@missoulamidtown.com  
**Subject:** Missoula Chamber Letter of Support for Missoula Midtown Master Plan  
**Attachments:** Mldtown Letter of Support.doc

Dear Missoula City Council,

Attached, please find a letter of support for the Missoula Midtown Master Plan from the Missoula Area Chamber of Commerce.

Thank you,

Debbie Erbacher

Director of Administration | Missoula Area Chamber of Commerce

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**From:** Claire Trimble  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023 12:25 PM  
**To:** Daniel Carlino; Gwen Jones; Grp. City Council and City Web Site; Marty Rehbein; City Clerk Staff  
**Subject:** Re: Referral - Rule 21 Amendment

This has been added to COW on the 7/12. I'm not sure what the rest of the day looks like yet.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023 10:25 AM  
**To:** Gwen Jones <JonesG@ci.missoula.mt.us>; Grp. City Council and City Web Site <Council@ci.missoula.mt.us>; Marty Rehbein <RehbeinM@ci.missoula.mt.us>; City Clerk Staff <StaytonM@ci.missoula.mt.us>; Claire Trimble <TrimbleC@ci.missoula.mt.us>  
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**From:** manny davidson <nmsasquatch@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023 11:25 AM  
**To:** Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Subject:** You are destroying your city

With all the gay flags everywhere. Coming from a place that has been destroyed by this communist mentality SHAME on YOU and LEAVE the KIDS ALONE!

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**From:** Cecily Brown <i500jasper@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023 11:03 AM  
**To:** Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Subject:** Emergency Ordinance Redarding Camping on Public Lands

Hello,

I am concerned that in the desire to control the homeless population the public right to use public lands is being diminished. I travel nearly full-time in my RV. I am not homeless as I still have a sticks & bricks home but I am not wealthy. In an effort to explore and enjoy our great country I enjoy the free and unfettered use of public lands. It is always a pleasure when I arrive in a new community and I find they make it easy and are welcoming to tourists camping free or with minimal charge in their city parks. However, since the COVID epidemic and the increase in individuals with no permanent living facilities this welcoming free use of public lands is diminishing. Your actions regarding public access to public lands not only forces a very vulnerable group of people to go where there are no services, but also damages tourism by disallowing lot of people, like me, who depend on boondocking to have the money to enjoy your community, from stopping even for one night. I boondock so I can afford to enjoy local restaurants, attractions, and events.

In this past year many states, counties, and cities, across this country have enacted anti-camping ordinances. Also, banded RV parking on streets, overnighing in parking lots, and in general done everything they could to make using local public lands difficult and forcing homeless to move on. I'm not sure they realized how much tourism revenue they are losing too. In one state I was so hindered from any overnight sleeping (not camping), boondocking was impossible and I couldn't wait to leave their state. They lost out on at least two weeks of my spending money in their communities including buying groceries, eating out, visiting their attractions. I have also let everyone like me know that this state is not friendly to our kind of tourism.

I agree that clutter, garbage, and unsanitary conditions damage parks and make them unusable. I do not want to stay in these areas either. But if homeless shelters are not available, maybe a more humane and cost effective measure could be to provide dumpsters and port-a-potties, with regular management of such, in areas specifically designated for public camping. I can't believe this wouldn't be more economical than law enforcement sweeps, cleaning up after a mess is created, and running homeless shelters. In all locals I have been in there are limits to length of stay and in some cases require moving after one night. And I do not see that as unreasonable, however, just saying you can't do this here full stop doesn't work. In my humble opinion total bans on overnight camping on public lands and closing parks after dark does nothing to solve any problem it just hides it, makes it a crime, and forces it to find another place to be, often worse than the original problem the ordinance tried to fix. Not all homeless are mentally ill or drug users. Some of them could be hired to do the camp management.

I encourage you to think outside of the usual public city management box and consider alternate solutions that accept this problem will not go away, so you must make it better. I have hopes of visiting and enjoying your community in the near future. Please help ensure that possibility.

Sincerely,  
Cecily Brown, a full-time RV traveler



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**To:** Sikonia, William; Grp. City Council and City Web Site  
**Subject:** Re: Emergency ordinance regarding camping

Hi Bill -

The emergency ordinance as enacted deletes the portion of our code that was not in compliance with the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit rulings. But the remaining portion that allows for no camping in parks carves out a portion of our public right of ways for no camping. It does not ban camping city wide. That is the distinction. Please let me know if you want to discuss the matter further, happy to talk. -Gwen

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**Cc:** Sikonia, William <william.sikonia@umconnect.umt.edu>  
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