

COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

CITY OF BILLINGS

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**“THE MAGIC CITY – A VIBRANT, WELCOMING PLACE WHERE
PEOPLE FLOURISH AND BUSINESS THRIVES.”**

SPECIAL SESSION AGENDA

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

July 5, 2011

5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Hanel

ROLL CALL – Councilmembers present on roll call were: Ronquillo, Gaghen, Pitman, McFadden, Ruegamer, McCall, Ulledalen, Astle, and Clark. Councilmember Cimmino was excused.

PUBLIC COMMENT on Agenda Item #1 ONLY. Speaker sign-in required.

Comments offered here are limited to one (1) minute. Please sign up on the clipboard located at the podium. For Items not on this agenda, public comment will be taken at the end of the agenda.

The public comment period was opened.

The following individuals spoke in favor of the emergency ordinance.

- Rep. James Knox, 661 Garnet, Billings, MT – HD47
- Rep. Ken Peterson, 424 48th Street West, Billings, MT - HD46
- Pam Christianson, 3916 Bushwood Drive, Billings, MT
- Laura Needham, 1710 Cobble Creek Trail, Billings, MT
- Susan Smith, 5522 Billy Casper Drive, Billings, MT
- Barbi McLaws, 1030 Bluegrass Drive, Billings, MT
- Christina Richards, 532 Hurdle Circle, Billings, MT
- Cherrie Brady, 5032 Poly Drive, Billings, MT
- Janice Linn, Highway 3, Billings, MT
- Jason Thomas, 1144 1/2 Harvard, Billings, MT
- Terry Dorow, 4374 Hi Line, Billings, MT
- Steve Zabawa, 810 Bluegrass Place, Billings, MT
- Dennis Grenz, Miles City, MT
- Joe White, Billings, MT

The following individuals spoke in opposition of the emergency ordinance.

- Jasmine Moen, 5353 Midland, #161, Billings, MT
- Janna Johnson, Yellowstone River Road, Billings, MT
- Laurie Peterson, PO Box 81315, Billings, MT
- Debbie Soelter, 211 N. 34th Street, Billings, MT
- Matt Knuson, 802 N. 32nd Street, Billings, MT
- Jared Frickel, 1356 Matador Avenue, Billings, MT
- Bob Baker, 2633 S. Bridger Road, Billings, MT
- Kathi Miller, 1211 Broadwater, Billings, MT
- Mort Reid, Billings, MT
- Kathy Adler, 724 Grand Avenue, Billings, MT
- Elizabeth Pincolini, 1404 Barrett Road, Billings, MT
- Mark Higgins, 116 N. 11th Street, Billings, MT

The following individuals did not speak in favor or in opposition of the emergency ordinance.

- Paul Matt, 115 Clark Avenue, Billings, MT – asked where the definition of storefronts came from because he did not find it in SB423.
- Doug Ruebke, 110 South 31st, Billings, MT – said closing the commercial storefronts would encourage the buyers and sellers to move into residential neighborhoods. He said he felt they should not be allowed in residential.

City Administrator Tina Volek advised the following items pertaining to Item #1 were filed in the ex-parte notebook in the back of the room.

- E-mails sent since July 2nd to Mayor and Council in favor of ban from:
 - Pam Berry
 - Carolyn, John and Tim Soucy
 - Josh Nichols
 - Pam Christianson
 - Lucille Hill
- E-mails sent since July 2nd to Mayor and Council in opposition of ban from:
 - Jared Frickel
 - Sandra Post-Barr
 - Elizabeth Pincolini

SPECIAL AGENDA:

1. EMERGENCY ORDINANCE #11-5537 BANNING MEDICAL MARIJUANA STOREFRONTS in the City of Billings (delayed from 6/27/11). Staff recommends approval. (Action: approval or disapproval of staff recommendation.) **APPROVED 9 TO 1. COUNCILMEMBER MCFADDEN VOTED 'NO'.**

PUBLIC COMMENT on Non-Agenda Items. Speaker sign-in required. Comments offered here are limited to three (3) minutes and restricted to ONLY items not on this printed agenda. Please sign up on the clipboard located at the podium.

There were no speakers.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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