

RESOLUTION NO. 96- 17095

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS, MONTANA, ESTABLISHING A POLICY POSITION AGAINST THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW COMMISSION PROVIDING FOR A VOTE OF THE MAYOR AND FURTHER EXPRESSING CONCERN TO THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS FOR THE FORMAT IN WHICH THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE OCCURRED AND URGING THE CITIZENRY OF BILLINGS TO REJECT THE PROPOSITION AS SUBMITTED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the citizens of Billings established a Local Government Review Commission for the purpose of reviewing Billings City Government and making appropriate recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Billings Local Government Review Commission has submitted a proposition to be considered by the voters of the City of Billings for the election scheduled on June 4, 1996; and

WHEREAS, three proposals in the change to the Billings City Charter are being submitted by the Local Government Review Commission including provisions that: (1) call for the annual evaluation of the City Administrator; (2) provide for a four (4) year term for the Mayor; and (3) provide for the Mayor to vote on all City matters; and

WHEREAS, all three changes in the City Charter are being proposed in one singular proposition; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Billings feels that the voters should have a right to individually select or reject each provision submitted by the Billings Local Government Review Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Billings City Council, as a group, stand in opposition to the recommendation that the Mayor of the City of Billings should vote on all occasions rather than what is presently done, which is only in the case of a tie.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS, MONTANA, that:

The City Council strongly urges the citizenry of Billings to reject this all inclusive proposition at the City-wide election scheduled for June 4, 1996.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council declares if said proposition is defeated as a whole, the City Council will offer the first two propositions to the voters at a later election date in November 1996.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 13th day of May, 1996.

CITY OF BILLINGS:

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JOHN MICHUNOVICH, DEPUTY MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER

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JEFF REGNIER, COUNCILMEMBER

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