

OPTIONS FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION

This list of cooperation strategies is not intended to be a listing of all possible means of cooperation. It is intended to illustrate several opportunities. Other opportunities for cooperation should be pursued as they become available.

1. Maintain open communications with governmental advisory boards, the public and professional staffs of the adjacent jurisdictions.
2. Continue to support cooperative approaches to problem-solving along with seeking additional opportunities. Based on the nature of the concerns, a broader regional approach, involving multiple areas and jurisdictions, may be appropriate.
3. Continue to work with other jurisdictions when maintaining City facilities that are not located within city boundaries such as water reservoirs, water treatment plants, landfills, open space and parkland, and other facilities that are important to the City.
4. Continue to work with adjacent jurisdictions on identified items of common interest, including wildland urban interface protection, open space preservation, parks planning and management, water, and other items including joint funding and grants administration as allowed by state law.
5. Develop interlocal agreements to specify roles, responsibilities and appropriate development design standards and mechanisms for infrastructure financing.
6. Continue to work through the Transportation Coordinating Committee, the Joint City-County Infrastructure Committee, and other forums.
7. Coordinate Planning Board functions with adjacent jurisdictions when possible.
8. Continue to coordinate efforts to achieve best responsiveness, professionalism, and effectiveness for the citizens of the affected area by collaborating and sharing certain staff and staff functions, such as Information and Technology Services, transportation coordinator, and historic preservation when appropriate.
9. Provide city and county officials and staff opportunities to review and comment on proposed amendments to, and implementation tools for, the Helena Growth Policy, including subdivision and zoning regulations, or other tools that may impact land uses and planning.