## CITY OF HELENA REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING November 5, 2012 6:00 P.M.

Time & Place

A regular City Commission meeting was held on Monday, November 5, 2012 at 6:00 p.m., in the Commission Chambers, 316 N. Park Avenue, Helena, Montana.

Members Present

Mayor Smith indicated for the record that Commissioners Elsaesser, Ellison, Thweatt and Haque-Hausrath were present. City Manager Ron Alles, City Attorney Jeff Hindoien and City Clerk Debbie Havens were present.

Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Smith asked those persons present to please stand and join him in the pleage of allegiance.

**Minutes** 

The minutes of the regular City Commission meeting of October 29, 2012 were approved as submitted.

Consent Agenda

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A. Claims

City Manager Ron Alles recommended approval of the claims.

Public comment

Mayor Smith asked for public comment, none was received.

Motion

<u>Commissioner Thweatt moved approval of item A on the</u> <u>consent agenda.</u> Commissioner Ellison seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

## **Communications**

## COMMUNICATIONS/PROPOSALS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Mayor Smith reminded everyone to get out and vote tomorrow. Mayor Smith reported he attended the Inauguration Ceremony for Carroll College President Thomas Evans earlier today.

Commissioner Elsaesser also reminded everyone to get out and vote; he thanked all of the election officials and volunteers who will be involved in the elections. Commissioner Elsaesser stated November 15<sup>th</sup> is America's Recycling Day and the community plastics drive is November 9-12.

Commissioner Ellison also commented on the importance of getting out and voting. There will be many new elected officials after tomorrow. He also thanked everyone working on the elections and the candidates during this 2012 campaign season.

Commissioner Ellison publically recognized and thanked Assistant Chief of Police Dave Jeseritz for his service to the city of Helena and wished him the best of luck with his new position at the Gambling Division with the Attorney General's Office.

Report of the City Attorney REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

No report was given.

Report of the City Manager REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Alles asked City Engineer Leland to introduce Transportation Engineer Jon Knowles. City Engineer Leland introduced

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Jon Knowles and gave a summary on his personal and professional background. Engineer Knowles is working on Centennial Trail, CTEP Projects and pedestrian issues around the Capitol Complex.

Engineer Knowles addressed the commission and commented he is excited to be here in Helena.

Commissioner Thweatt welcomed Engineer Jon Knowles and noted one of the most important components of the position is to address non-motorized issues.

Mayor Smith dittoed Commissioner Thweatt's comments and again welcomed Engineer Knowles and his family to Helena. Mayor Smith thanked City Engineer Leland for the job he has done during the transition period.

Manager Alles also announced this will be Executive Assistant Clinda Feucht's last commission meeting. He recognized and thanked Ms. Feucht for her years of service.

Executive Assistant Feucht addressed the commission and City Manager and spoke of the issues that were occurring when she began her career with the city of Helena in 1975. Ms. Feucht also recognized all the city employees for being dedicated to the city of Helena.

Mayor Smith thanked Ms. Feucht for her service and noted she will be missed.

Commissioner Ellison acknowledged Ms. Feucht for her years of service and spoke on how he has gotten to know her and her family.

Commissioners Thweatt, Elsaesser and Haque-Hausrath all thanked Ms. Feucht for her years of service and wished her well.

Report from the Helena Citizens Council REPORT FROM THE HELENA CITIZENS COUNCIL

No report was given.

Public Communications

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

No public communications were given.

Meetings of Interest MEETINGS OF INTEREST

The next Administrative Meeting is November 14, 2012 and the next Commission Meeting is November 19, 2012.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

	Mayor James E. Smith	
ATTEST:		
Clerk of the Commission	-	