



CITY OF HELENA
Helena Citizens Council Executive Committee
August 11, 2025 – 5:30pm
Zoom Online Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86911602757>
Room 326, 316 N. Park Avenue, Helena, MT, 59623

Call to Order and Roll Call

Public Comment

Minutes

- A. 7-17-25 Meeting Minutes Draft**

Communications from Committee Members

Agenda Creation & Approval

- A. 8-27-25 Regular HCC Board Meeting**

Proposals for Next Agenda

Public Comment

Adjournment

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City of Helena
Helena Citizens Council Executive Committee
July 17, 2025 – 5:30 PM
Zoom Hub Link; <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86905481663>
City County Building Conference Room 326

Call to Order and Roll Call

(00:00:00) The following responded present, either via zoom or in person:

In Person

Chair, Ben Kuiper – District 4
Vice Chair, Sonda Gaub – District 2
Treasurer, Lori FitzGerald – District 1

Via Zoom

Secretary Diana Hammer – District 1

Public Comment

Minutes

A. 6-3-25 Meeting Minutes Draft

(00:00:18) S Gaub made a motion to accept Minutes A. L FitzGerald seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Communications from Committee Members

- (00:01:06)** Chair Kuiper discussed a recent meeting with Mayor Collins and City Manager Burton regarding the nature of HCC recommendations and intent to schedule a planning meeting to be facilitated by the MSU Local Government Center.
- (00:01:58)** Members discussed operational versus policy level recommendations.
- (00:09:09)** Vice Chair Gaub asked Chair Kuiper about next steps for the Broadway and Beattie Crosswalk Recommendation.
- (00:10:25)** Treasurer FitzGerald asked Secretary Hammer and Deputy Clerk Montiel about the progress of purchasing yard signs.
- (00:11:11)** Deputy Clerk Montiel discussed the need for design updates.



- (00:13:12) Chair Kuiper called for consensus direction. Secretary Hammer expressed concerns about approving design changes without Outreach Committee consensus. Members discussed options.
- (00:20:16) Chair Kuiper requested that the yard sign design be added to the 7-23-25 Regular HCC Board Meeting agenda.

Agenda Creation & Approval

- A. Discussion: 5:30 Meeting Time Poll to Members (item discussed out of order)**

- B. 7-23-25 Regular HCC Board Meeting**

- (00:23:06) Members discussed draft agenda items, including Chamber of Commerce Presentation, Broadway Recommendation, Ad Hoc Transportation Working Group report,

- A. Discussion: 5:30 Meeting Time Poll to Members (item discussed out of order)**

- (00:29:25) Chair Kuiper discussed polling members about changing the meeting time.

Proposals and Scheduling for Next Executive Committee Agenda

- A. Standard Meeting Time**

- (00:30:18) Members discussed meeting times and decided on the first Thursday of each month at 5:30pm in room 326 of the City-County Building.
- (00:32:06) Secretary Hammer exited the meeting.

Public Communications

- (00:32:36) There were no further comments or questions from the Committee and/or public.

Adjournment

- (00:32:45) There being no further business before the Helena Citizens Council Executive Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:03pm.



CITY OF HELENA
Helena Citizens Council Regular Meeting
August 27, 2025 – 7:00pm
Zoom Online Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89064554575>
Room 326, 316 N. Park Avenue, Helena, MT, 59623

Call to Order and Roll Call

Public Comment

Minutes

- A. 7-23-25 Full HCC Meeting Minutes Draft

Officer Reports

- A. Chair, Ben Kuiper – District 4
- B. Vice Chair, Sonda Gaub – District 2
- C. Treasurer, Lori FitzGerald – District 1
- D. Secretary, Diana Hammer – District 1

Coordinator Report

- A. Scheduling Poll Results

Outreach Committee Report

Commission/Board Meeting Attendee Reports

- A. July 30th Administrative Meeting
- B. August 4th Commission Meeting
- C. August 13th Administrative Meeting
- D. August 18th Commission Meeting
- E. City Board Meeting Attendees
 - 1. Ad Hoc Transportation Working Group
 - 2. Metropolitan Planning Organization
 - 3. City-County Planning Board
 - 4. Helena Public Arts Committee
 - 5. Citizen Conservation Board
 - 6. City-County Library Board
 - 7. Golf Advisory Board
 - 8. City-County Parks Board
 - 9. Affordable Housing Trust Fund
 - 10. Water Quality Protection District

New Business - Budget

- A. Consider...
 - 1. Public Comment
 - 2. Member Communications
 - 3. Motion



New Business – Future Growth of the City

A. Consider Broadway and Beattie Pedestrian Crossing

1. Public Comment
2. Member Communications
3. Motion

Public Comment

Adjournment – Next meeting: September 24, 2025

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