

RESOLUTION NO. 13-_____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BILLINGS, MONTANA, CITY COUNCIL, CREATING
AN AD HOC COUNCIL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ON RIGHT-OF-WAY SPECIAL EVENTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Billings has received an increasing number of permit applications each year for both public and private events to be held in the public right-of-way (ROW); and

WHEREAS, the City staff has sought guidance from the City Council on a policy for permitting such events; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has extended permitting operations for existing Right-of-Way Special Events for the next two years; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has decided to create an Ad Hoc Council Advisory Committee on Right-of-Way Special Events, in conformance with BMCC 2-224.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BILLINGS, MONTANA, CITY COUNCIL, AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) There is hereby established a 10-member Ad Hoc Council Advisory Committee on Right-of-Way Special Events, to be composed of the following members:
 - (a) A City Council member to chair the committee;
 - (b) A Chamber of Commerce/Convention & Visitors Bureau representative;
 - (c) An events coordinator;
 - (d) A veteran Downtown retail business owner;
 - (e) A newer retail Downtown business owner;
 - (f) A Cultural Partners representative;
 - (g) A Downtown Billings Alliance representative;
 - (h) A hospital representative;
 - (i) A Downtown residential property owner; and
 - (j) A Downtown non-retail business owner.
- (2) The purpose of the Ad Hoc Committee is to create a policy that retains the vibrancy of Downtown by balancing events in the right-of-way with the needs of businesses, residents and the public.
- (3) The Ad Hoc Committee also shall investigate the costs to the City and the potential impact on infrastructure of permitting such events, and take those costs into account in making its recommendation to the Council.
- (4) To create the policy, the Ad Hoc Committee shall solicit input from those scheduling events, the public, Downtown businesses and residents and City staff members from at

City departments including the Fire and Police Departments; Public Works/Engineering; Parks, Recreation and Public Lands; and the City Attorney's Office.

- (5) The Ad Hoc Committee will begin its review in January 2014 and conclude with a recommendation to the City Council no later than Dec. 31, 2014.

APPROVED, THIS 9TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2013, BY THE BILLINGS CITY COUNCIL.

Thomas W. Hanel, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cari W. Martin, City Clerk