

RESOLUTION NO. 04-18206

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE INTERLOCAL LIBRARY AGREEMENT AND RECOMMEND CHANGES AND REVISIONS TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, the City of Billings, Montana and the County of Yellowstone, Montana have entered into an interlocal agreement for the purpose of creating and operating a free public library known as the Parmly Billings Library; and

WHEREAS, the Billings City Council and the Yellowstone County Commission desire to establish an ad hoc committee to review the interlocal agreement and recommend changes deemed desirable and appropriate at the present time;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Billings, Montana:

There is hereby created the AD HOC COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE CITY-COUNTY INTERLOCAL LIBRARY AGREEMENT.

Said committee shall consist of four (4) members appointed by the Mayor of the City of Billings and (3) members appointed by the Yellowstone County Commissioners for a term of not more than six (6) months. The committee membership shall be as follows:

- City Council Member appointed by the Mayor – one (1) representative
- Library Board Members appointed by the Mayor – two (2) representatives
- City Attorney's Office appointed by the Mayor – one (1) representative
- County Commissioner appointed by the Commission – one (1) representative
- Library Board Member appointed by the Commission – (1) representative
- County Attorney's Office appointed by the Commission – one (1) representative

In addition to the above appointments Librarian Bill Cochran shall serve as a non-voting, ex officio staff member to serve the ad hoc committee as requested.

The Committee is hereby charged to determine what, if any, changes to the Parmly Billings Library Interlocal Agreement may be necessary or advisable to:

- more clearly define the role and responsibility of the Library Board
- more clearly define the times at which the Board is advisory
- more clearly define the entity or entities to which the Board is advisory
- determine what problems there are with attaining a quorum for meetings
- increase the size of the membership of the Board
- establish a guideline ratio of funding to service provided
- more clearly define the Board role in goal setting for the Library Director
- more clearly define the Board role in evaluation of the Library Director
- more clearly define the Board role in setting Library policy
- more clearly define the appropriate use of County funds for capital improvements

The Committee shall forward its recommendations to the City Council no later than March 31, 2005 for the Council's legislative deliberation and disposition thereafter. When the Council has finally acted upon all of the Committee's recommendations, the Committee shall be disbanded.

The Committee shall appoint a chairperson and vice-chairperson. The Committee shall meet from time to time as requested by the membership. The Committee shall keep accurate minutes of all meetings.

The Parmly Billings Library staff shall facilitate the committee's deliberations and assist in the preparation of any proposals the Committee deems appropriate to forward to the City Council.

The Committee shall be subject to, and comply with, all provisions of the Montana Constitution and the Montana Code Annotated pertaining to the Public's Right to Know so that no person shall be deprived of the right to examine any documents created or considered by the Committee or to observe any deliberations of the Committee, except to the extent that the demand of individual privacy clearly exceeds the merits of public disclosure.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED this 25th day of October, 2004.

THE CITY OF BILLINGS:



BY: Charles F. Tooley
Charles F. Tooley, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BY: Marita Herold
Marita Herold, CMC/AEE CITY CLERK