

ORDINANCE 20-5734

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS, PROVIDING THAT THE
BILLINGS, MONTANA CITY CODE (BMCC) BE AMENDED BY
REVISING SECTIONS 2-551-552.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS THAT:

Section 2-~~524-527~~ 551-552. The Human Relations Commission shall consist of nine (9) members to be appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the City Council. The members shall be broadly representative of all citizens and shall reflect as far as possible the religious, racial, ethnic and minority groups of the community whose training, interest, background or experience will aid the commission in its work.

1. The function and duties of the Human Relations Commission shall be as follows to promote mutual understanding and respect among all racial, religious, nationality and minority groups and work to discourage and prevent discriminatory practices against any such group;

2. ~~Inform itself~~ Become informed on all matters concerning human relations and ~~promote~~ foster programs of community education with the object of improving human relations among all citizens of the community;

3. Review, ~~and~~ study, and assist with complaints, problems and specific situations arising between groups or individuals which result ~~or may result~~ in tensions, discriminations, or prejudice in the city; ~~on account of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, or ancestry;~~

4. Cooperate with and advise various groups and agencies ~~of the community, as well as governmental agencies~~ in programs devoted to the improvement of human relations; ~~and the elimination of group prejudices, racial or area tensions, intolerance or discrimination;~~

5. ~~Aid in seeing that no person in this city is deprived of equal services furnished in the city by reason of discrimination or prejudice on account of race, sex, age, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, or being a member of a minority group;~~

6. 5. Inform and make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council concerning any matters or programs brought before the commission for the furtherance and advancement of human relations and at least once a year submit a report of its work;

6. Refer all matters to the police ~~commission~~ department that are within its jurisdiction. 9 members and 1 City staff member – Meet 1st Thursday of each month, 12:15 p.m., City Hall Conference Room.

PASSED by the City Council on first reading this 24th day of February, 2020.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED on second reading this 9th day of March, 2020.



CITY OF BILLINGS

BY: William A. Cole
William A. Cole, Mayor

Attest:

BY: Denise R. Bohlman
Denise R. Bohlman, City Clerk