

Memorandum

REPORT TO: City Commission

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SUBJECT: Authorize the City Commission to Ratify the Montana Main Street Program Grant Award for the I-Ho Peace Park

MEETING DATE: April 15, 2025

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Grant

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the City Commission to Ratify the Montana Main Street Program Grant Award for the I-Ho Peace Park.

STRATEGIC PLAN: 4.4 Vibrant Downtown, Districts & Centers: Promote a healthy, vibrant Downtown, Midtown, and other commercial districts and neighborhood centers “ including higher densities and intensification of use in these key areas.

BACKGROUND: In November 2024, the Downtown Bozeman Partnership and the City of Bozeman submitted a Montana Main Street Grant application for the design and construction of the I-Ho Peace Park. The initial grant application request was \$100,000 and noticed on the consent agenda on 12/10/2024. In March 2025, the Downtown Bozeman Partnership received a notice of award and a contract for \$30,000 for the MT State Department of Commerce. The I-Ho Peace Park is to commemorate the life and public service dedication of I-Ho Pomeroy. The project coordinates several different partners across the City to construct this important pocket park located at N. Black Avenue and E. Mendenhall Street.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None.

ALTERNATIVES: As identified by the City Commission.

FISCAL EFFECTS: This grant funds a portion of the park's design, with design costs currently being spent in the Downtown Urban Renewal District. Funds for construction are being identified and will be proposed to the City Commission as a budget amendment at a later date.

Attachments:
[Contract Bozeman.pdf](#)

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