

Memorandum

REPORT TO: Inter-Neighborhood Council

FROM: Alison Sweeney, INC Secretary

SUBJECT: Subcommittee Update and Planning

MEETING DATE: November 13, 2025

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Citizen Advisory Board/Commission

RECOMMENDATION: None

STRATEGIC PLAN: 1.2 Community Engagement: Broaden and deepen engagement of the community in city government, innovating methods for inviting input from the community and stakeholders.

BACKGROUND: Bozeman has voted to examine its form of government. The Study Commission that we elected to research our current form and possibly propose a new form has asked for the INC's input on what would strengthen the neighborhoods program in a possible future charter.

The Study Commission will propose a new charter (or other form of government) next spring and Bozeman voters will have the opportunity in November of 2026 to adopt this new proposed form of government, or not.

Therefore the INC has been asked to deliver their recommendations by the end of 2025.

At the October INC meeting, representatives appointed Beth Boyson, Mark Campanelli, and Alison Sweeney to carry out this work. The plan of work is as follows:

- At the November INC meeting (11/13) reps will consider 5 topics relating to the Neighborhoods program, and construct survey questions to send out to the existing neighborhoods. In an attempt to gather input from across the city the survey will be shared widely through Nextdoor, community groups, word of mouth, and other digital platforms.
- At the December INC meeting (12/11) reps will discuss survey results and finalize recommendations to the Study Commission. After this meeting the recommendations will be formatted by the committee and submitted to the Study Commission along with the survey results and a description of the methods used to draft the recommendations.

This should be done ideally before the Christmas holiday.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None

ALTERNATIVES: None

FISCAL EFFECTS: None

Attachments:

[INC Charter worksheet.pdf](#)

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