

# Memorandum

**REPORT TO:** City Commission

**FROM:** Greg Sullivan, City Attorney  
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**SUBJECT:** A Resolution Declaring the Pride Flag and Its Variants to be Official Flags of the City of Bozeman

**MEETING DATE:** July 15, 2025

**AGENDA ITEM TYPE:** Resolution

**RECOMMENDATION:** **Consider the Motion:** *I move to adopt the Resolution.*

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** 3.3 Friendly Community: Ensure Bozeman continues to welcome diversity through policies and public awareness.

**BACKGROUND:** The Montana Legislature recently adopted HB819 establishing a new law related to the State's and local governments' display of flags. This item provides the City Commission the opportunity to determine whether to declare the Pride Flag and its variants as official flags of the City. The resolution attached provides details.

**UNRESOLVED ISSUES:** None identified.

**ALTERNATIVES:** As determined by the Commission.

**FISCAL EFFECTS:** Adopting the Pride flag may draw increased attention to the City's diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives and related executive orders. This could invite legal challenges or public scrutiny, leading to unplanned legal costs and additional staff time to respond. The increased attention could also lead to closer examination of other City initiatives, potentially complicating federal grant processes if concerns are raised about compliance with executive orders.

Attachments:

[Resolution Declaring Pride Flag Municipal Flag Final.docx](#)

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