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AGENDA

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March 20, 2024

State Capitol Building, Room 137

Agenda times are approximate.

- 9:00 am** **Call to Order – Roll Call – Rep. Larry Brewster, Presiding Officer**
- 9:05 am** **Meeting Overview**
a. Review Committee Bill Draft Request Process – Toni Henneman, committee staff
- 9:10 am** **Litigation Update**
a. *MAID v Montana* and SB 442 update – Julie Johnson, staff attorney
b. Public Comment*
- 9:30 am** **Land Use Legislation Study Topic – SB 382 Focus**
a. Overview of Land Use Plan & Map Requirements – Toni Henneman
b. City Officials Panel – SB 382 Land Use Plan & Map Progress
i. Belgrade: Jason Karp, Director of Community Development
ii. Columbia Falls: Eric Mulcahy, City Planner
iii. Laurel: Kurt Markegard, Planning Director
iv. Missoula: Laval Means, Community Planning Manager
v. Whitefish: David Taylor, Director of Planning & Building
c. Dept. of Commerce forecasting tools update – Mary Craigle, Research & Information Systems Bureau Chief
d. Public Comment*
- 11:00 am** **BREAK**
- 11:15 am** **Land Use Legislation Study Topic cont. – Homeowners' Association Focus**
a. Homeowners' Association Legal Primer – Julie Johnson
b. Local land use ordinances and covenant interaction – Greg Sullivan, Bozeman City Attorney
c. Public Comment*
- 12:30 pm** **LUNCH**

- 1:30 pm Affordable Housing**
- a. Housing & Homelessness Panel Discussion
 - i. Montana Coalition to Solve Homelessness: Sam Forstag
 - ii. HRDC District 9: Hannah Altman, Housing & Youth Services
 - iii. Homeward: Heather McMillan
 - iv. Helena Housing Authority: Michael O'Neil
 - b. Affordable housing policy: legislative history – Toni Henneman
 - c. Board of Housing programs – Cheryl Cohen, Dept. of Commerce Housing Division Administrator
 - d. Public Comment*
- 2:45 pm BREAK**
- 3:00 pm Housing Task Force Update**
- a. Overview – Chris Dorrington, Dept. of Environmental Quality Director
 - b. Public Comment*
- 3:15 pm House Bill 33 – Special District Oversight**
- a. Review language received from Governor's Office – Toni Henneman
 - b. Public Comment*
 - c. Committee action?
- 3:45 pm Committee Work Session**
- a. Request provisional draft legislation, if applicable
 - b. Review May 22 meeting
 - c. Further questions to staff
- 4:15 pm Public comment* on any item in LGIC's subject matter jurisdiction**
- 4:30 pm Wrap up and adjournment**

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