

**Department New Request Form
Fiscal Year 2022**

Program	Development Services	Title of New Request:	Rank: <input type="text" value="1"/>
Department	Planning		
Request Category	New	Comprehensive Code Reform	
Request Rating	Urgent		
Department Goal	Promote equitable development and a resilient, sustainable community.		

1. How will request assist in achieving Department Goal and benefit the customer?

The City of Missoula's Strategic Plan outlines a variety of goals and initiatives in the areas of housing, community design, livability, and environmental quality. Each of these areas relies on having established regulatory code that is reasonable, understandable, and aligned with the city's broader goals and values. In 2015, the City of Missoula adopted a bold and comprehensive planning document in Our Missoula, our formal growth policy. However our regulatory code, which was established over a decade ago, has not been adapted or modernized to provide us the tools we need to actualize the goals outlined in the growth policy. After years of providing band-aid fixes to an outdated code, it is time to take a comprehensive approach to code reform, ensuring we have the regulatory framework and tools to meet the challenges at hand and to promote equitable growth and a resilient, sustainable community. While a great undertaking, this work is necessary if we want to remain a community where all our residents can find a place to call home.

2. What specifically is needed to achieve this goal?

Funds to support a comprehensive code reform plan, to include the creation of a Unified Development Code, a comprehensive Growth Policy Update, the completion of a Zoning Audit, and implementation of recommendations to align our code with our broader goals and community values. This work will be consultant-driven and will need to include increased capacity in the form of a senior planner to oversee all phases of the project internally. A detailed work plan, including projected phases, deliverables, and timelines will be presented to City Council in conjunction with this budget request.

3. Cost Impact of New Program:

Account #	Item	Qty	Unit Cost	Requested One-Time	Requested Ongoing	2022 Unfunded	2022 Funded	Proposed 2023 Ongoing
Ongoing Expenses								
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Expense Sub-Total				850,000	-	425,000	425,000	-

Revenue Offset:

Account #	Revenue Description			Proposed Onetime Revenue	Proposed Ongoing Revenue
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Revenue Sub-Total				850,000	-

4. What sort of data will be used to report results and outcomes of request?

The deliverables associated with this work will be reported to City Council frequently throughout the duration of the project. At completion the outcome will be a unified, streamlined regulatory code that is in alignment with and that works in support of our goals and values. This will be demonstrated by ease of land use code application, more timely review, increased housing starts, and the completion of more projects that are in alignment with city values and goals.

Requested/Proposed Funding Source

	One-time	Ongoing
Tax or Assessment	-	-
Non-tax	-	-
Fund Balance	850,000	-
Total	850,000	-