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Missoula County Elections Advisory Committee to Add ADA Voting Member

The Missoula County Election Advisory Committee (EAC) will now have a dedicated council member to represent voters with disabilities and the elderly. The Board of Missoula County Commissioners on Tuesday signed a resolution to include a voter with a disability or an individual with extensive knowledge of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on the Committee.

“The newly added ADA voting member will work with our office and the EAC to communicate present issues or inaccessibility within Missoula County,” Elections Administrator Rebecca Connors said. “These ideas will better serve all voters and the position will ensure the elderly and our ADA community will have a direct channel of communication to our office.”

Bylaws were amended by a unanimous vote of the EAC during their April 7 meeting to reflect adding this additional voting member. The Commission then signed a resolution to adopt the amendment.

The Missoula County Elections Office must adhere to state and federal laws, such as the Voting Rights Act of 1965 or Help America Vote Act of 2002, to ensure voting is accessible to all voters, in both access to polling places and voting equipment.

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Applications for the new ADA voting position are available [online](#) or in the County Commissioners’ Office, located at 199 West Pine Street. Submissions may be filed electronically, emailed to bcc@missoulacounty.us or faxed to (406) 258-3943. Deadline for applications is Friday, May 13, 2016 by 5 p.m.

The next EAC meeting will be held on Thursday, May 12 at 1 p.m. in the Missoula County Administration Building (Room 109), 199 W Pine Street. Visit www.MissoulaVotes.com to learn more about EAC members and to access meeting minutes and information.



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