From:

kgonzo5 <kgonzo5@bresnan.net> Tuesday, September 1, 2020 10:34 AM

Sent: To:

commission

Subject:

Non Discriminating Ordiance

I, Karen J Gonser, 1101 33rd Ave South, Great Falls, ask that the council votes "NO" on this non-discriminating ordinance. The constitution already addresses this issue. Thank You

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:

kgonzo5 <kgonzo5@bresnan.net> Tuesday, September 1, 2020 10:43 AM

Sent: To:

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Subject:

Non Discrimination Ordinance

Steve Gonser; 1101 33rd Ave South

Great Falls, Mt

I am requesting that the City Council votes "NO" on the current Non-discriminating ordinance. The US Supreme court determined that the 5th and the 14th Amendments affords equal rights under the law for all citizens. This ordinance is already covered by those amendments. Why do certain interest groups need "special" addressing when ALL are covered under our Constitution. Please vote NO. Thank you

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:

Michael Badgley Jr <mbadgleyjr@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 1, 2020 1:45 PM

To:

commission

Subject:

NDO ordnance

Dear Sir, Ma'am,

My name is Michael Badgley Jr and I strongly oppose the passage of such an ordnance in our community. We live in a small Montana community that is respectful. There have been some political activists on the City Commission. This pushing of our community to the fringe is not acceptable.

What are the benefits to our community of passage of the NDO. The far left fringe is pushing the country to the brink. We don't need that here.

Respectfully, Michael Badgley Jr

From: Janelle Johnson <janelle-johnson@hotmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 2:17 PM

To: commission

Subject: Non-Discrimination Ordinance

Dear Lisa,

I am writing to express my opinion that the NDO that is being proposed for the City of Great Falls is unnecessary in light of the protections that already exist for all Montanans. Please express my opinion during the meeting next week which I will be unable to attend because of other committments. I have read the letter from our Great Falls City Attorney, Sara Sexe, and fully agree with her position.

Thank you,

Janelle Johnson

From:

Mary Ellen Culpepper <maryellenculpepper@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, September 2, 2020 10:40 AM

To:

commission

Subject:

NDO

Dear City Commission:

Please vote NO on the NDO. It is my belief that it would unfairly discriminate against people of faith.

Thank you,

Mary Ellen Culpepper

From:

David Phillips <dave.hismotorshop@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, September 2, 2020 11:42 AM

To:

commission

Subject:

Non-Discrimination Ordinance

To: The Great Falls City Commission

From: Renee Phillips 3404 5th Ave. No. Great Falls, MT 59401

In regards to the potential Non-Discrimination Ordinance, which you plan to consider on September 8, 2020, I request that you vote NO.

Thank you.

From:

Julie Wolf <juliemwolf52@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, September 2, 2020 1:17 PM

To:

commission

Subject:

NDO

Dear Commissioners,

Please do not discriminate against people of faith. Please vote NO on the NDO. Gender identity and sexual orientation are already protected under current state and federal law. An NDO is unnecessary. Thank-you.

Sincerely, Julie and Jeff Wolf 920 Northview Ave. Great Falls 770-3793

From:

Marcia A Lennick <marciaalennick@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 3, 2020 7:24 AM

To:

commission

Subject:

NDO

To Whom It May Concern:

In regards to the proposed NDO, if this is passed, unintended consequences could occur, freedom of conscience could be restricted. Please vote "No".

Thank you, Marcia A. Lennick

"Duty is ours, results are God's" - John Quincy Adams

From:

Dena Wouters <denawouters@aol.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 3, 2020 11:47 AM

To: Subject: commission NDO meeting

To the city council,

As a Montana state citizen, living in Great Falls, and the mother of 3, I come to you pleading and expressing my disappointment and concern.

Council members, I am aware of the proposed city ordinance the local LGTBQ group is trying to pass here in this city. I also know there is no need for this ordinance as the federal government and Supreme Court has put into place NDO already. This ordinance not only is unnecessary it is also dangerous. Public bathrooms would have sexual offenders "claim" to be of the opposite sex and sexually harass or assault children or women. And the buisness owners would not be able to do anything because the offender would claim "rights because they are transgender" and the NDO would be in effect. Any person could claim "discrimination" with a NDO especially if the person had a vendetta against the buisness or owner, which would lead to the buisness and owner having to fight for their rights in court or closing their buisness for good. Great Falls needs buisnesses. They need to grow. Great Falls needs to concentrate on the drug problem, human trafficking problem, crime, etc more than they do this NDO proposed by the local LGTBQ. Especially when there are already laws in place for that.

Thank you.

Dena Wouters

Sent from my iPhone

From:

jaihmin@protonmail.com

Sent:

Thursday, September 3, 2020 12:42 PM

To:

commission

Subject:

LGBT comments and concerns

To whom it may concern,

On the LGBT discrimination issue, my and most the people I have spoken with directly about it, opinion is that there is no issue with discrimination against LGBT... There is not one filed report I can find, not an incident, nothing personally witnessed, or even heard about by any of the people I've talked to about this.

The passing of these measures is admission to a problem that doesn't exist, and labels the great people of Great Falls defacto homosexual haters, through this measure... The commissioners who bring this about will be labeling their constituents, as something that is by the books, and all human intelligence I could find, completely false.

The second issue is the wording aswell... as it's worded now, as soon as pedophiles can get pedophilia labeled as a sexual orientation, you'll have provided these unneeded and offense to the people of Great Falls, protections.

You'll be protecting pedophiles as a result of this measure in what appears to be the near future, and now you won't beable to claim ignorance, I have it in black and white that you were told. This addition of protections is completely unnecessary, I don't want to travel, and have people assume I'm a bigot, just because I'm from Great Falls.

Thanks you,

Jaihmin from Great Falls.

From:

Rohacs, Joshua <jrohacs@liberty.edu>

Sent:

Thursday, September 3, 2020 2:39 PM

To:

commission

Subject:

NDO

Please do not discriminate against people of faith. Please vote NO on this NDO.

From:

carl jurenka <carljurenka@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 3, 2020 4:10 PM

To:

commission

Subject:

LGBTQ+ NDO Meeting Tuesday, September B:

commission@greatfallsmt.net

Re: LGBTQ+ Non-discrimination Ordinance (NDO) Meeting Tuesday, September B:

This coming Tuesday, September 8th, a special 3 hour work session being held to hear public comment on the proposed LGBTQ+ non-discrimination ordinance.

It is my opinion that this meeting is all about LGBTQ+ forcing others to change their beliefs and being pushed by liberal extremists for political gains. LGBTQ+ has been in Great Falls for as long as I can remember. When was the last time you heard someone from Great Falls pushing to ban LGBTQ+ or getting a bunch of people and businesses together to kill, stone, sue, refuse to assist, or attack LGBTQ members? I can't remember any time this has happened!

I have never even heard of a business in Great Falls refusing any LGBTQ+ members. The LGBTQ+ lifestyle have not only been tolerated but welcome by some in Great Falls. They don't need or want protections as they have not been endangered. What they really want and need is to force everyone regardless of their religion, their beliefs, or their personal feelings about the LGBTQ+ lifestyle to be forced "legally" to give up all the above and serve and support everyone involved in the LGBTQ+ community or else.

The Great Falls City Attorney, Sarah Sexe, after thoroughly reviewing the matter has concluded in a 15 page opinion that a non-discrimination ordinance is NOT (emphasis mine) necessary in Great Falls.

Here is a quote from her opinion: "It is my opinion that relief from discrimination is now clearly existing under current law and the adoption of the NDO in Great Falls is not necessary to protect against sexual orientation and gender discrimination."

Why is it the LGBTQ+ community, comprising 3.5% of the population, demands civil rights and laws that are "superior" to the 96.5% of the general population? Where do we draw the line on all of the so called "sexual" orientation? The LGBTQ+ claim they are a just like everyone else and needs to be treated like everyone else. Well, it appears everyone else in Great Falls has treated LGBTQ+ members better than the LGBTQ members treat everyone else!

I think the LGBTQ need to become as tolerant towards everyone else and not only understand but accept the fact that everyone has the right to their own beliefs whether the LGBTQ+ agrees with them or not. Isn't it interesting that when the LGBTQ+ expresses their opinion, it's free speech. But if a person expresses theirs, objecting to the LGBTQ+ lifestyle, it's "Hate Speech, Intolerance and Homophobic."

You the commissioners needs to just stay out of it as it does not benefit everyone. It only benefits a small group. It's the commissioners job to represent ALL of the citizens and not to take sides to serve "special" interests groups! City ordinances on these type of issues only hurts people and businesses.

I have no problem with LGBTQ+ people. Where I draw the line is when they continually shove their sexual lifestyle in my face and down my throat. Stop wasting our money and time on this redundant issue because somebody wants to feel "special."

End this and vote NO!

Carl Jurenka Great Falls, MT carljurenka@yahoo.com

PS

If this NDO is passed, will the LGBTQ+ community be embolden and use this ordinance to:

Continue to harass and sue wedding cake bakers, photographers, flower shops, wedding venues and ministers/pastors who believe that a marriage is between a man and women only. What about their rights not to participate in these so called same sex marriages? There has been plenty of lawsuits nation wide to date.

Continue to force teaching sex education to young grade school kids? That the LGBTQ+ sexual lifestyle is "normal?" It is being done nation wide.

Continue to demand that LGBTQ+ history be taught in schools, against parents objections. It is being done nation wide.

Continue to have so called Drag Queen Hour by men dressed up as cheap \$10 whores reading sexual explicate stories to young children? It is being done nation wide.

Continue to demand that men can identify themselves as females (hourly) and use women's bathrooms and showers. It is being done nation wide.

Continue to demand that transgender males be recognized as females and participate in girls only sports. And to use girls bathrooms and shower rooms? And to demand gender-neutral pronouns. Usage of singular 'they,' 'their,' 'ze,' 'sie,' 'hir,' 'co,' and 'ey' are used. It is being done nation wide.

Note: Doctors at John Hopkins University stated the there are 1,500 biological differences between male and female. This means that a man cannot be a female.

At the national level, the LGBTQ+ wants to normalize pedophilia. It is already being cone in California.

The bill – SB - 145 - was introduced by state 5en. Scott Wiener (D), an openly gay man, and seeks to prevent gay adults who sodomize or perform oral sex with underage teenagers from being automatically assigned to California's sex offender registry. It passed with a super majority vote.

From:

Nathan Swanson <nateswanson@me.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 3, 2020 4:43 PM

To:

commission

Subject:

NDO

Great Falls City Commission,

I am requesting that the City Council vote "no" on the current Non-Discrimination Ordinance. As the City Attorney clearly pointed out; the US Supreme Court determined that the 5th and the 14th Amendments to the US Constitution affords equal rights under the law for all citizens. This ordinance is already covered by those amendments and has no legal requirement.

This ordinance reads as discriminating against Black Americans, Native Americans, Mexican Americans, women and other groups, which could be discriminated against. The City of Great Falls is established for equality among all peoples. Please vote "No".

Thank you for your service!

Nate Swanson 3001 4th Ave N, Great Falls, MT 59401

From:

Peter Klevberg < grebvelk@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Thursday, September 3, 2020 5:46 PM

To:

commission

Subject:

NDO

Dear Commissioners,

Please vote no on the proposed non-discrimination ordinance (NDO). This might be better termed a discrimination ordinance against those of us whose consciences will not permit us to condone sexual addictions and immoral choices. Individuals with addictions need our assistance, not affirmation. Vote no on the NDO.

Sincerely,

Peter Klevberg 512 Seventh Avenue North

From: J L Knox <breeog@peoplepc.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2020 7:29 PM

To: commission

Subject: Proposed Non-discrimination Ordinance

Dear City Commissioners,

We are requesting that you vote NO on September 8, 2020 concerning the proposed "Non-Discrimination Ordinance". It has been clearly pointed out by the City Attorney; the US Supreme Court determined that the 5th and 14th Amendments to the US Constitution afford equal rights under the law for all citizens.

Therefore, such an ordinance is not necessary and a great cause for confusion.

Thank you for your consideration, Linda and Michael J. Knox 4 Wagon Lane Great Falls, Montana 59404

From:

miging@juno.com

Sent:

Friday, September 4, 2020 12:08 PM

To:

commission

Subject:

The current Non-Discrimination Ordinance request

I am Pastor Mike Whitney; my address is 4420 7th Ave S

I am requesting that the City Council vote "no" on the current Non-Discrimination Ordinance. As the City Attorney clearly pointed out; the US Supreme Court determined that the 5th and the 14th Amendments to the US Constitution affords equal rights under the law for all citizens. This ordinance is already covered by those amendments and has no legal requirement.

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