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See Mr. Liebert's comments for agenda item 1 Petitions and Communications.

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To: 'LIEBERT COL RICHARD D OR LYNDA' <[wwranch@3rivers.net](mailto:wwranch@3rivers.net)>  
Subject: RE: Public comment, Richard D. Lieber

Hi Richard - thank you for your comments that will be shared with the Commission for agenda item 1 this evening.

Best regards,

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From: Richard D. Liebert, Lt.Colonel, Retired, US Army, 289 Boston Coulee Road, Great Falls, MT 59405

Greetings Honorable Mayor and commissioners,

"Where's the Beef"?...You might re all that famous line from that Wendy's commercial years ago but that captured my impression of the very inadequate and confusing presentation from the new county Clerk and Recorder Ms. Merchant last Friday.

Although I don't live in the city, many of my friends, fellow veterans and business contacts are in the city and impacted by the present crisis at the Elections office.

Commissioner Joe Briggs himself and many others noted the lack of data, problem analysis and no mention of critical elections past the 2 May GFPS board election. Having prepared, received and presented over a thousand PowerPoint briefing in my military career I can definitely concur with that observation.

The 'briefing' slides had an embedded 'confirmation bias' and lacked any articulated purpose, outline, the other five elections and a briefing summary. I have requested that PowerPoint presentation be posted to the County website in the spirit of transparency and integrity as promised by Ms. Merchant last Friday at the Family Living Center.

So why does this matter to the city government of Great Falls?  
It's about the PUBLIC TRUST and insuring the voters their ballots matter in the upcoming primary, general

elections for mayor, commission and also neighborhood counsel representatives. Can the public be confident that their votes will be properly mailed, processed and counted considering the apparent disarray in the Elections office? Will polling sites be properly staffed, managed and secured and the county process trusted by new staff?

I would hope the county clerk will provide the public another more substantial and better presentation that's posted ahead of time and with ALL critical information on costs, training, polling site administration (if executed) and the 'where, when, who, what, why and how' questions the public expects answered when we want to know "Where's the BEEF?"

Very Respectfully,

Richard D. Liebert