

CITY OF HARDIN STUDY COMMISSION FINAL REPORT

To the Citizens of the City Hardin:

The City of Hardin Study Commission, elected by the voters on Nov. 6, 1984, or thereafter appointed, present this final report to the citizens of this City.

The purpose of the study commission, as defined in state law, is "to study the existing form and powers of our local government and procedures for delivery of local government services and compare them with other forms available under the laws of the state of Montana. If some change is deemed necessary, the study commission may submit such proposed change to the electors."

In the conduct of their review the study commission has sought advice and information from a number of people in the city. Opinions and recommendations were solicited from local government officials, community organizations and citizens. All meetings of the study commission were open to the public. A public hearing was held to determine citizen opinion.

As a result of discussions held with the people and groups mentioned the City of Hardin Study Commission has concluded that there is general consensus that the existing Commission Executive form of government has served this city well, and will continue to do so in the future.

The only recommendation made by the City of Hardin Study Commission is that pursuant to Section 7-3-219, Montana Code Annotated (1985), local government elections be conducted on a nonpartisan basis. The question of whether elections shall be conducted on a partisan or nonpartisan basis shall be submitted to the voters of the City of Hardin during the first city election in 1987.

SEAL

We, the Study Commission of the City of Hardin do hereby certify that this is the official final report approved by the Study Commission of the City of Hardin, Montana.

In testimony whereof, we set our hands.
Done at Hardin, Montana, this ____ day
of September, 1986.

ATTEST:

CLERK AND RECORDER
OF BIG HORN COUNTY

CITY OF HARDIN STUDY COMMISSION