

FINAL REPORT TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF BROADUS, MONTANA

The Town of Broadus, Montana Study Commission consisting of two Commission Members elected by the voters on November 2, 2004 and Mayor Amsden appointed the third position on the Study Commission on November 16, 2004, present this *final report* to the citizens of this incorporate Town.

The purpose of the Study Commission is to study the existing form and powers of the local government and procedures for delivery of local government services and compare them with other forms available under the laws of the state. The Study Commission is to keep the public informed of their meetings and hold public hearings for the purpose of gathering information regarding the current form, functions, and problems of local government. After several meetings and public hearings the Commission will write and adopt the final report for the Department of Administration, containing the form of local government for the Town of Broadus.

The study commission sought advice, opinions, recommendations, suggestions and information from residents of the Town of Broadus and local government officials. All meeting of the study commission were open to the public, with only one concerned citizen attending one of those meetings.

The study commission recommendations reflect the thoughts and opinions of those who contacted the commission member(s) outside the public meetings, those who attended the public meetings, and the independent research efforts of this study commission.

The study commission having thoroughly studied all available forms of government, have found the existing form of government, "Commission-Executive form" meets the needs of the citizens of Broadus, Montana. This traditional form of local government has existed in Broadus since the creation of the town in 1945. A study commission was completed in June 1976 finding the residents of the Town of Broadus agreed continue with the traditional form of government with four council members and one mayor. Therefore, on this 21st day of January 2005, this Study Commission feels the basis for the continuation of the existing Commission-Executive form of government is valid.

CERTIFICATE OF EXISTING PLAN OF GOVERNMENT

WE, THE STUDY COMMISSIONERS of the Town of Broadus, do hereby certify the existing form of local government as adopted in the Montana Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 3, Part 2., 1997.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We set our hands.

Done at Broadus, Montana, on the 21st day of January 2005.

Ann Carroll, Chairperson

Hugh Fulton, Vice-Chairperson

Roger Quaring, Member

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