From: Heidi West
To: Glenda Perry; Grp. City Council and City Web Site
Subject: Re: Heide West
Date: Monday, February 25, 2019 6:17:17 PM

Hi Glenda,

during this blustery, snowy cold weather I appreciate your concern for my family. I would like to give you some peace of mind by assuring you that we are in a safe, warm, and lovely situation as we are in the last stretch of our house remodel. During the winter/holiday season we had the privilege of being invited to housesit for a few good friends and close neighbors, which has been beneficial for everyone involved, and the bus has been parked on our lot throughout this time.

Our bus is an RV and it was in fact inspected. This was done when the title was changed from a commercial fleet vehicle to an RV title. This was done by the previous owner, as we purchased it already titled as an RV.

I am a working mother and since I don't directly interact with folks on a daily basis, I often have the option to take my children to work with me if they are a bit under the weather, (or sometimes I have to option to work from home). In my role as a city counselor however, we can not vote absentee and have to be present to participate. Because of this, I have taken my kiddos with me, especially if the committee schedule is light or I am simply waiting for my husband to get off of work early to come take them home. I feel fortunate to be in a position where I can balance my work/life responsibilities and still be an active participant in my family life.

I know how challenging it is to live and thrive in Missoula. We made the choice to remodel because we are committed to our neighborhood, love the community we have found there, and because it was the right thing to do in this super expensive housing market. We are in the midst of late nights and sore bodies and a never ending list of things to do as we rebuild our home. This past year has been an adventure as a family - it has been hard and challenging and complicated - but the benefits have been wonderful and we aren't even finished with the house. We have learned new skills. My relationship with my husband has matured and deepened. My kids are lovely and resilient. I hope that they are learning many life lessons as we go through this journey together. I hope they are learning how to assess short term vs. long term benefits. I hope they learn to dream big and work hard. I hope they know that they are always capable of more and that sometimes it takes thinking outside of the box. Most importantly, I hope they learn the importance of community, and that behind every success, there are a whole lot of people that contribute to make dreams reality.

I invite you to join the rest of your family when we have our house warming party and

barbeque. We are planning on having an event this summer (as soon as the siding is on) to thank all of the folks who helped us along the way.

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From: Glenda Perry <chinook.com@icloud.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 23, 2019 2:19:45 PM
To: Grp. City Council and City Web Site
Subject: Heide West

I think u need to be made aware of a few things
Were you aware Heide is living in a schoo bus on the back of there property woo d stove not inspected for safety . The children bath at any
Neighbor that lets them in .When the kids are sick she makes
Them hid under the desk . She palms them off on neighbors so she doesn't have to get care for them so she can help work on the house.
They have no normalsey in their lives but relays on neighbors to care for , feed them even bath them not fair for the neighborhood. She has even sent dirty dishes for neighbors to wash. Is this the type of person u want representing missoula

Sent from my iPhone