

## Billings City Administrator Weekly Report

February 10, 2024

1. **Glock Neighborhood Watch** – Mayor Cole, Chief St. John and I discussed safety at the well-attended Glock Neighborhood Watch meeting in midtown. They cover the area North of Grand between 17<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> to the ditch. This watch group is a great model. They are engaged, actively patrol their neighborhood, and have an excellent communication network using an app called TeamReach.
2. **Council Orientation** – Friday’s tour included the operations center, South Park Pool bath house, Zimmerman Center, and the Senior Center.
3. **Leadership Billings** – This month’s discussion focused on economic development. Speakers included BSED, Chamber, Western Sugar, and Cabela’s.
4. **CJCC Meeting** – the group discussed court and jail efficiency, and updates from the jail expansion sub-committee and the short-term detention facility.
5. **City of Billings Grant Funding Update** – Please see the attached grant update for Urban Forestry in Disadvantaged Areas.
6. **Park and Recreation News** - Please see the attached chart showing the status of all the Park projects across the city.
7. **Semi-Annual Reports** – Semi–Annual reports for Public Works and Council Initiatives are attached.
8. **Next Week’s Meetings/Task Forces**
  - a. Budget & Finance Committee, Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM, City Hall Conference Room.
  - b. Legislative and Local Affairs Committee, Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM, City Hall Conference Room.
  - c. Southside Task Force, Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM, Hope Center
9. **2024 Council Meeting Schedule** – Please see the attached Council Meeting schedule for upcoming items on the agenda.

### 10. New City Hall Update –

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Floor

Plumbing trim out.

Terminate wire in electrical panels.

Electrical rough in for Dias wall.

Work continues on new air handler.

Welding pipe for new heat exchanger.

Run copper pipe in fan room.

Framing of the exterior walls.

### **5<sup>th</sup> Floor continued**

Hang sheetrock on exterior walls.  
Finish taping on exterior walls.  
Mask off windows in preparation for primer and paint.

### **4<sup>th</sup> Floor**

Plumbing trim out.  
Pull home run wire to electrical panels.  
Install light fixtures in ceiling grid.  
Cut in ceiling border tile.  
Chiller pipe demo in fan room.  
Finish floor tile in single use restroom 492.  
Exterior wall framing started.  
Water test windows.

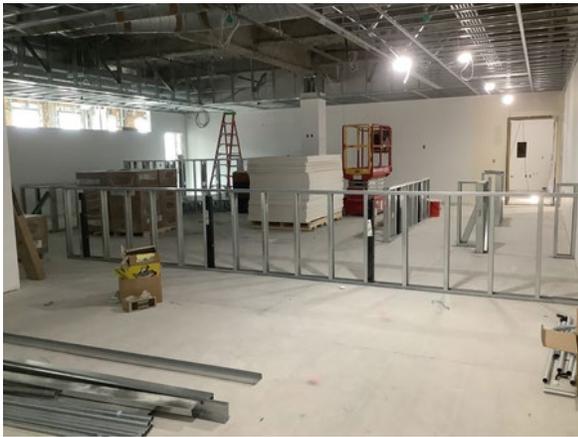
### **2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

Window replacement on south and east elevation.  
Overhead electrical rough in for courtrooms.  
WCT-1 panel installed over gallery stairs.  
Install light fixtures between WCT-1 panels.  
Framing of raised platforms in courtrooms.  
Demo chiller pipe in fan room.  
Hang sheetrock on hard lids and misc. walls.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Floor**

Water line rough in.  
Hang one side sheetrock.  
Demo interior vestibule storefront.  
Insulate sound walls.  
Install hangers for cable tray.  
Chiller pipe demo in fan room.





## 11. City Communications –

*New Water Treatment plant set to break ground in March*

<https://www.facebook.com/billingsmtpublicworks/posts/pfbid02BnRMKBpMNzuaKT4Dga7yJqMZ1Vy4DJKEpR5rLTYZxr8kQ8fFPyYVganXPCKaT6QhI>

*Billings Fire Department achieves Class 2 ISO rating*

<https://fb.watch/q53G5ua-AE/>

*PD weekly brief*

<https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=778325664329214&set=a.226302889531497>

*Press Release: Disturbance/Pursuit/Fatal Crash*

<https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=778296964332084&set=a.226302889531497>

*Press Release: Skyview High School Bomb Threat*

<https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=780044067490707&set=a.226302889531497>

### **Mayor & Council**

*Billings City Council looks at Yellowstone County proposal for short-term jail*

<https://www.ktvq.com/news/local-news/billings-city-council-looks-at-yellowstone-county-proposal-short-term-jail>

## **BPD**

*One man dead after he drove off Billings Rims following cancelled police pursuit*

<https://www.ktvq.com/news/local-news/one-man-dead-after-he-drove-off-the-rims-following-cancelled-police-pursuit>

*More details into fatal pursuit in Billings released*

[https://www.nonstoplocal.com/billings/news/more-details-into-fatal-pursuit-in-billings-released/article\\_3ad75df5-289f-5a15-a72a-70688529fe2d.html](https://www.nonstoplocal.com/billings/news/more-details-into-fatal-pursuit-in-billings-released/article_3ad75df5-289f-5a15-a72a-70688529fe2d.html)

*Before truck drove off Rims, Billings police had responded to domestic disturbance call*

[https://billingsgazette.com/news/local/crime-courts/rims-fatality-truck-wreck-police-chase/article\\_ed5a6514-c46b-11ee-a028-83f8a45a6262.html](https://billingsgazette.com/news/local/crime-courts/rims-fatality-truck-wreck-police-chase/article_ed5a6514-c46b-11ee-a028-83f8a45a6262.html)

## **BFD**

*Billings Fire Department's safety rating could decrease residential insurance premiums*

[https://billingsgazette.com/news/local/billings-fire-department-safety-rating-insurance-services-office/article\\_7491cfb8-c543-11ee-97a0-279c0830a50a.html](https://billingsgazette.com/news/local/billings-fire-department-safety-rating-insurance-services-office/article_7491cfb8-c543-11ee-97a0-279c0830a50a.html)

*Photo: SUV driver crashes into house on Broadwater Avenue*

[https://billingsgazette.com/news/local/broadwater-crash/article\\_901c3a22-c53c-11ee-a405-d3f4a4c00cba.html](https://billingsgazette.com/news/local/broadwater-crash/article_901c3a22-c53c-11ee-a405-d3f4a4c00cba.html)

## **BPL**

*More than 120 years in Billings, public library celebrates 10 years in new building*

<https://www.ktvq.com/news/local-news/more-than-120-years-in-billings-public-library-celebrates-10-years-in-new-building>

## **In other news...**

*Safety audit finds 'inconsistencies' in security, BPS to place school safety levies on May ballot*

[https://billingsgazette.com/news/local/education/safety-audit-finds-inconsistencies-in-security-bps-to-place-school-safety-levies-on-may-ballot/article\\_8235402c-c54e-11ee-bb7f-a3771df5ab81.html](https://billingsgazette.com/news/local/education/safety-audit-finds-inconsistencies-in-security-bps-to-place-school-safety-levies-on-may-ballot/article_8235402c-c54e-11ee-bb7f-a3771df5ab81.html)

*'Long time coming': Nonprofit celebrates completion of affordable apartments on Billings South Side*

<https://www.ktvq.com/news/local-news/long-time-coming-nonprofit-celebrates-completion-of-affordable-apartments-on-billings-south-side>

*Special Olympics MT announces 2024 Summer Games 'Magic in the City' in Billings May 15-17*

[https://www.nonstoplocal.com/billings/sports/special-olympics-mt-announces-2024-summer-games-magic-in-the-city-in-billings-may-15/article\\_f56873ef-3e9a-5d38-b22d-6e89be38f988.html](https://www.nonstoplocal.com/billings/sports/special-olympics-mt-announces-2024-summer-games-magic-in-the-city-in-billings-may-15/article_f56873ef-3e9a-5d38-b22d-6e89be38f988.html)

*New president named for Intermountain Health's Montana/Wyoming region*

[https://billingsgazette.com/news/local/business/intermountain-health-st-vincent-health-care-new-president-lee-boyles/article\\_e75ea5d6-c5f5-11ee-a018-fba7917ce465.html](https://billingsgazette.com/news/local/business/intermountain-health-st-vincent-health-care-new-president-lee-boyles/article_e75ea5d6-c5f5-11ee-a018-fba7917ce465.html)



# Update on Grant Funding Received by the City of Billings February 2024

## Urban Forestry in Disadvantaged Areas



The City Parks and Recreation Department received a \$1 million grant to improve urban forestry in disadvantaged areas around Billings. Generally, the grant supports the pruning and/or removal of existing trees that aren't well suited to the area, as well as the planting of new trees in areas predominated by impervious (paved or hard surface) areas. The grant work will take place over the next 5 years.

The City of Billings Parks and Recreation Department received a \$1 million grant from the U.S. Forest Service to undertake urban forestry activities in disadvantaged areas around Billings. Those areas, generally, are South Billings, the EBURD district just east of the downtown core, and portions of the area between Grand and Central Avenues and 5th Street West to 24th Street West, and extending to I-90 south of Central near Monad Road and Moore Lane.

### More About This Project

Urban Forestry Activities will include:

- pruning existing trees as needed to provide for their health and safety of drivers and pedestrians.
- removing undesirable trees - defined as either unsafe, unhealthy, or improper type for the area.
- planting of trees, especially in neighborhoods and pedestrian areas with a high percentage of impervious (paved or hard surface) surfaces compared to trees and other vegetation. The selected trees would be of appropriate species for the area.
- collecting tree inventory and plant site data in disadvantaged areas.
- engaging the community to support and sustain urban forestry by providing input and ideas on planting locations and picking up shovels and rakes to help plant, mulch, water and care for neighborhood trees. Certain elements of the planting and immediate care of trees will be contracted or carried out by City staff.

#### To learn more about this grant-funded project, contact:

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wilson@billingsmt.gov

February 8th, 2024 progress report

Park	Progress	Project	Status
	Started ----->	Completed	
Arrowhead playground replacement			Project complete final payment invoice submitted
Castle Rock playground addition			Warrantied swing set parts received, swing set reinstalled on 1/5/24
Castle Rock parking lot & restroom			Met with Consultant 2/1/24, finalized plan and moving on to documentation.
Central tennis courts replacement			Submitting LWCF paperwork for project reimbursement
Comanche playground replacement			Playground complete and open to the public
Cottonwood Park masterplan			Presented at November 8th Park Board meeting and approved for recommendation to City Council
Coulson Park South Improvements			Received approval from US Army Corps of Engineers, proceeding with design
Gorham irrigation automation			Pump station being shipped by manufacture for installation
Grandview irrigation automation			Advertised twice, no bids both times, rebid at a later date
Highland playground replacement			Playground equipment was delivered, installer under contract for Fall completion
Millice irrigation automation			Sealed bids opened, project over budget, rebid at a later date
*North Park adult exercise & shelter			*Contractor continued work installing adult exercise equipment
*North Park playground replacement			*Fall protection was removed from playground area, New playground equipment moved on site for install
*North Park restroom replacement			*Concrete pathway for access to restrooms poured on 1/31/24
Pioneer Park tennis courts replacement			Met with consultant to review 65% CD's 2/1/24, Plan to advertise for bid 2/16/24
*Poly Vista inclusive playground and parking lot			*Recommendation for bid award to K2 civil submitted to city council
Ponderosa irrigation automation			Final walkthrough complete, system fully operational
Rose Park pool spray equipment replacement			Spray equipment delivered, contractor being scheduled for installation
Skypoint sail replacement			Structural Engineer's report completed, proceeding with recommended repairs prior to painting
Aquatic Facility Assessment			Consultant performed on site visits and are compiling information for assessment



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**Department Report 2.1.2024**

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# a letter from the director



I look forward to writing this department update because I get to back up from the everyday and look at the big picture of the last six months. In some cases, I can see how we made good decisions or sometimes how we could have done better – hindsight being the best way to second guess yourself! So while we can learn from some of the “less than great” things that have happened over the past six months, it also gives us a chance to celebrate and appreciate some of the great things that happened. For literally decades, we’ve been talking about the Inner Belt Loop (IBL) and the West End Water System – in the last six months we’ve experienced gratifying progress. The IBL is almost completed!! This spring the project will be paved and then it will be opened. We are so excited to have this long-awaited project complete. And, the West End Water Treatment Plant contract was awarded to a contractor and construction is starting! While the construction will take a couple of years to complete, getting started is a huge step to having a resilient water system to serve our citizens for decades! While not every 6-month department update can have news as exciting as this one, we are always happy to share stories about the hard work and dedication of the Public Works staff.

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Public Works Director

## Exciting Progress in Billings' Cardboard Recycling Journey!

We know you are dying to get an update on our citywide cardboard recycling program since its launch in September 2023. The verdict? Billings is living up to its awesome reputation! In just a few short months, we've achieved remarkable progress.

Contamination has been minimal. Kudos to our fantastic citizens for adhering to the "stack or stuff" guidelines. While we encountered the occasional plastic bag or packing material such as packing styrofoam left in TV boxes, these were mere hiccups in an otherwise smooth operation.



When contamination is spotted, a bright orange tag is placed on the cardboard, so our residents know the why and the how for future reference.



Driving around the city on cardboard collection days, we've observed a significant increase in curbside cardboard. Thank you Billings, for contributing to the success of our cardboard recycling program. Diverting cardboard from the landfill will extend the lifespan of our landfill and delay costly expansions. Together, we're making our city even more environmentally friendly and sustainable! For more insights on the dos and don'ts of cardboard recycling, visit our website [www.billingsmtpublicworks.gov/183/Garbage-Collection](http://www.billingsmtpublicworks.gov/183/Garbage-Collection)



## 2024 Residential Service Calendar

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- ★ Star icons indicate holidays with a 1-day service delay
- 🌿 Leaf icons mark the start (4.1) and end (11.29) of 2024 yard waste season

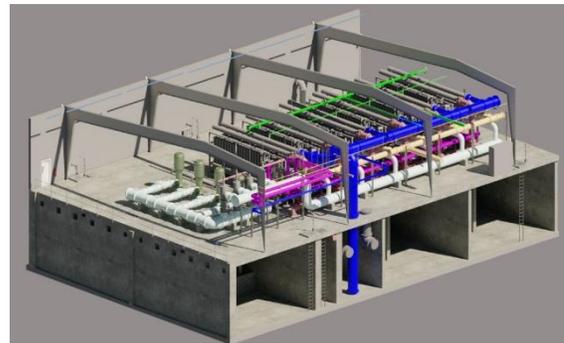
## West End Water Treatment Plant Contract Awarded with Groundbreaking Set for March 2024!

West End Water Treatment Plant Design Rendering



The highly anticipated West End Water Treatment Plant is finally gearing up to break ground in March 2024! This state-of-the-art facility will serve the entire community, thanks to large transmission water mains that will efficiently channel water downtown and into the Heights. This new addition will not only address the increasing water demands of our growing community but also allow for crucial maintenance of the existing water treatment plant that has been in operation since 1914.

The project has reached a significant milestone with the signing of a \$68 million contract with Dick Anderson Construction, a trusted local contractor. With their expertise, we are on track to complete the Water Treatment Plant which is set to become operational in late 2026.



West End Water Plant membrane isometric

The West End Water Treatment Plant will be the first component of the west end water system to break ground. Other essential components of this project are in the design phase, including a diversion structure from the Billings Bench Water Association Canal, a pump station, and raw water storage reservoirs. Construction contracts for these components are expected to be signed later this year.

Future West End Reservoir



Exciting times are ahead as we create more resilient and advanced water infrastructure that will continue to serve our community for generations to come. Stay tuned for more updates!

## Driving Change: Public Works Takes the Wheel on Innovative CDL Training Program

Known as the "last best place", Montana also happens to hold the distinction of being the very last state to adopt the federal Entry-Level Driver Training (ELDT) rule since its establishment in 2017. The ELDT mandates that individuals seeking their first Commercial Driver's License (CDL) complete the federally required "entry-level driver training." Typical CDL training programs fulfilling this federal mandate are full-time, three months long, and come with an approximate price tag of \$5000.

As our team of almost 300 members pride ourselves in keeping the water flowing, waste collected, and streets travel-ready for Billings, recent labor market condition presented challenges, particularly due to a shortage of CDL applicants. In response, Public Works has pioneered our own ELDT program, offering in-house CDL training that not only complies with the federal rule but also keeps new hires engaged and employed during training. This initiative will significantly reduce costs associated with hiring and retaining employees, improve service efficiency, and increase job satisfaction.



**Jake brings his 10+ years of extensive experience operating various equipment to serve the City in a new role as a CDL Trainer.**



Jake Barnhart, our inaugural CDL Trainer, rose to the occasion from our Street-Traffic team. His extensive experience operating various equipment within Public Works combined with the desire to share his expertise with the team, Jake is playing a pivotal role in getting the

program launched. This program isn't just about hitting compliance goals. It's a win-win, giving our local workforce a boost and making both the City and our employees happy. We're excited to see this program tee off and provide more opportunities for service-minded candidates to work for the Billings community.

## Billings-MDU Partnership Hits Milestone: Boosting Renewable Natural Gas Production and Environmental Compliance



The City of Billings and Montana-Dakota Utilities have hit a new milestone in our partnership with the recent installation of a compliance flare. With the addition of the flare, the landfill will be in compliance with EPA Title V air permitting by reducing methane emissions and providing redundancy if the MDU gas plant is off-line.

For over a decade, raw landfill methane has been processed into pipeline quality renewable natural gas at the Billings Regional Landfill. Since its launch in December 2010, the production facility has proven to be exceptionally reliable. The renewable natural gas generated over the plant's lifespan is sufficient to provide heat and hot water for around

17,100 Montana homes for an entire year. By the end of 2021, the MDU agreement has generated a total of \$3,518,939 in royalty revenue, directly contributing to the City's budget.

With the rise in landfill gas production, there come new compliance requirements. In essence, "immature" gas from active piles that can't be turned into pipeline quality gas efficiently can now be directed to the compliance flare. Here, 98% of the gas is consumed through ignition, significantly reducing the landfill's environmental impact on the region. This move aligns with our commitment to meeting compliance standards as we continue to enhance our contribution to sustainable energy practices as a City.



## Water Mains vs. Montana Winter

Montana winters are charming and all, but the wild temperature swings can be tough on our water systems, especially with aging infrastructure in some areas. Many water main breaks like the one on Fairway Drive (featured in the photos here) occur during cold snaps. Even though we couldn't predict where this would happen or when, here's what you need to know.

### 1. We strive for same day repairs

See water on the street where it shouldn't be? Give us a call! (406-657-8315 option 3 during business hours or 406-657-8353 after hours) Our crews work day and night to respond and get on-site as quickly as

to residents and commuters alike and get things flowing smoothly again on the SAME DAY.

### 2. Things take longer in the cold

This time of the year, things do take longer because of freezing conditions. What you might find interesting is that valve boxes can be filled with up to 2 ft of ice which adds time to the repair process. Think having to break up a solid piece of ice with drills and



Fairway Drive Water Main Repair Jan 2024



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### 3. Your water is safe

One thing you should always know is that we would never ever supply water to you if there's any chance at all of water quality issues. Once the water main is fixed, we take 15-30 mins to let all the the air out and flush out the system and then do two samples to ensure your water quality is still top notch.

#### **4. We'll be back**

Also in the cold, mud turns into ice making it hard to clean up. A temporary paving material is used to fix the road damage. We will come back when it warms up and asphalt plant opens back up to complete paving and clean up.

#### **5. Your safety is a top priority**

Please be patient with us and do not drive through any barricaded projects unless you think it's safe to do so. Just kidding. Please just don't do it. Ever.

#### **6. You can talk to us**

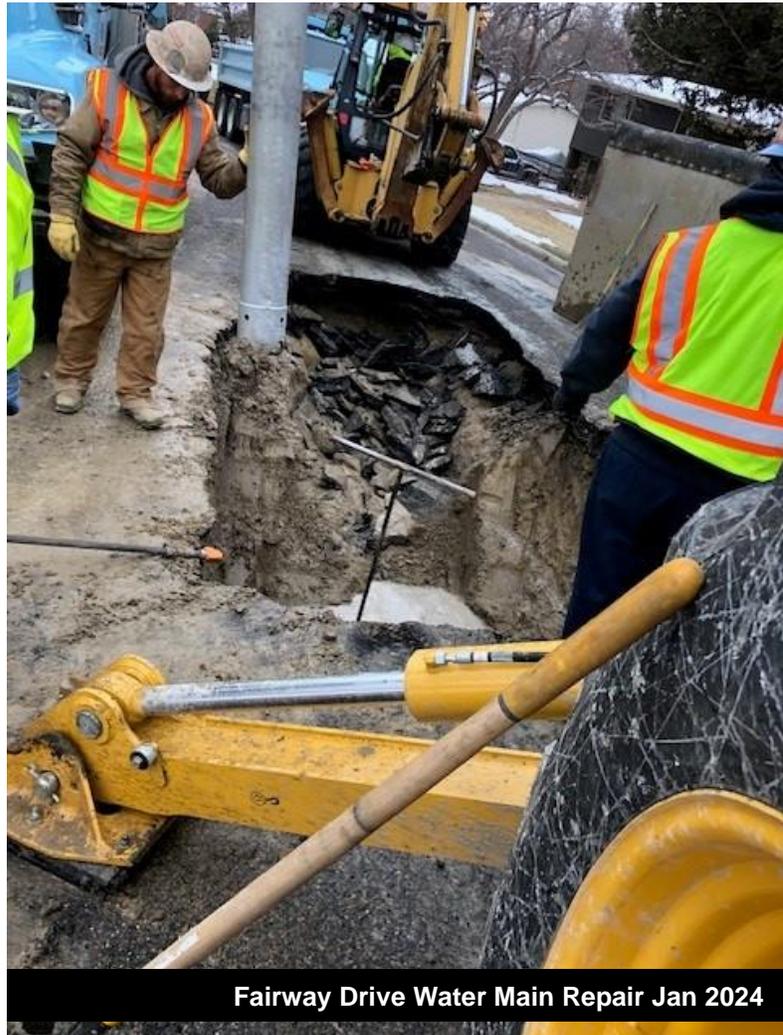
If you see our crews working near your property, please do not hesitate to ask. We are happy to give you our best estimate on repairs. Our crews are really nice. Promise.

#### **7. Home sweet (Not Frozen) home**

Our after-hour emergency line received 50+ phone calls over one weekend when the temperature broke 30 below. Almost all of them were traced back to frozen water lines and meters on the homeowner's side. It's important to make sure the exterior hoses are disconnected, insulate as much as possible, open the cabinet doors under sinks, and let the water drip so your meter and water lines do not freeze up and cause damage to your home. If you do happen to end up with a frozen meter, we are here for you.

#### **8. Long term planning**

As the City continues to improve our infrastructure, areas with frequent water main breaks will be incorporated into the annual Capital Improvement Plan. Many of those utility projects are combined with road maintenance projects to minimize road excavation and reduce impact on residents and traffic.



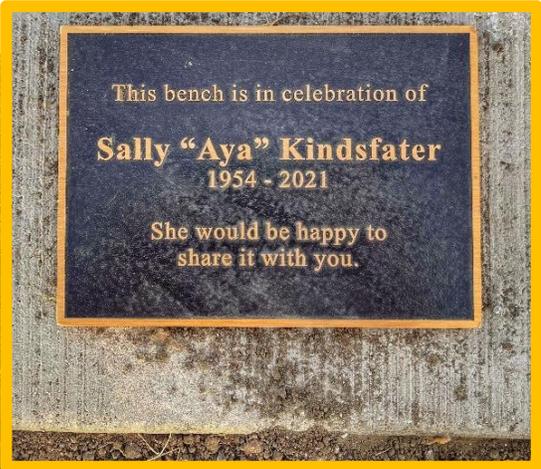
Fairway Drive Water Main Repair Jan 2024

# In Loving Memory of a Life Worth Celebrating

Part of our Street-Traffic team’s job is to install these heartwarming memorial benches in beautiful places around Billings, like this one dedicated to “Aya”, Sally. There is something about sharing the memory of a loved one by dedicating a memorial bench in a picture-perfect spot that is just so subtle yet profoundly loving. Now, every time someone sits down to enjoy a stunning sunset, a memory is shared. Every time someone catches their breath on the bench while jogging on the trail, they feel recharged. Every time someone takes a break on the bench to watch their kids and dogs play, a rush of serotonin is produced in an instant. The best part is the bench quietly witnesses all these small, magical moments that make up our life. Next time when you are out and about, look for them and be reminded that these are the moments that make life worth celebrating.



Want to dedicate a bench to a loved one? Please have a seat and reach out to our Billings Parks & Rec friends at [www.billingsparks.org](http://www.billingsparks.org)



## More Solar Powered LEDs Dazzling Shiloh Conservation Area



**East Solar Light at Night**

Following the success of the first solar light, two more solar powered LEDs were installed in late 2023 at the Shiloh Conservation Area. These brilliant additions offer many benefits to visitors:

### **Dark Sky Compliant**

These fixtures are Dark Sky compliant, which means they do not permit light pollution up into the sky and they fade off in the distance very rapidly. They are almost invisible when driving by on Shiloh Road unless you know exactly where to look with a keen eye.

### **100K Hours of Illumination**

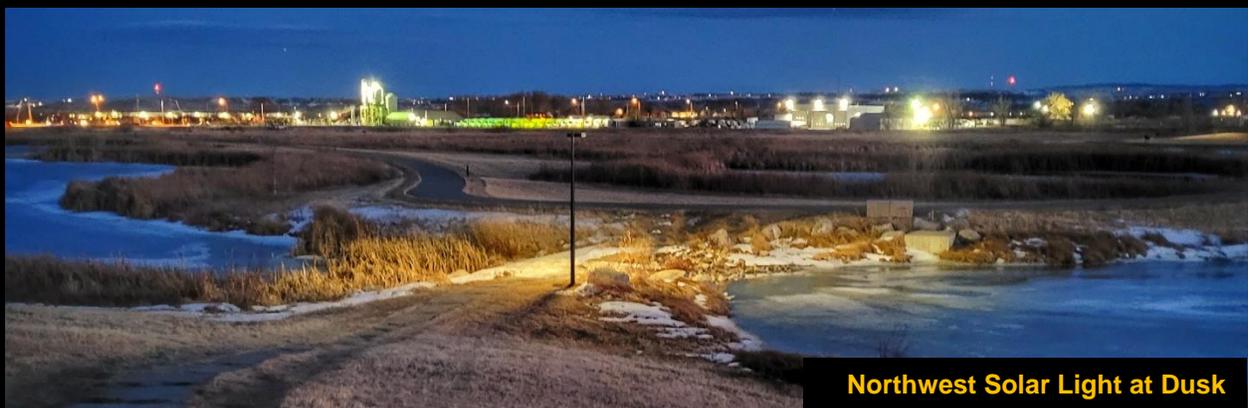
Boasting a 10+ year lifespan, these LED's should be lighting up our lives for over 100,000 hours, providing safety and beauty to this wonderful landscape.

### **Motion Activation at Dusk**

These LED's are set to turn on 100% at dusk, dim to 30% after 3 hours, brighten to 100% one hour before dawn and finally shut off at dawn. They'll brighten when movement is detected through motion sensors!

### **Remote Access**

The battery packs are easily changed out with LiFePo4 Battery units, a quick connect can get us in and out of a fix in minutes vs hours. The lights can be accessed and controlled via iPad, mobile, IOS and FirstLight Technologies is working on an app for Android so we can access the lights in every way possible.



**Northwest Solar Light at Dusk**

### Northwest Solar Light at Daytime



### Minimal Maintenance

The LiFePo4 Battery units make battery pack changes a breeze, ensuring we're back up and running in minutes, not hours. While the kit, including the light and pole, may seem a bit steep at around \$4,300, the quality, functionality, and added safety in the wetland area make it a worthwhile investment.

### See it to Believe it!

The lights are from FirstLight Technologies, based out of Victoria Canada. Standing at 14 feet in the skyline, the SCL-2 solar LED lights are the most powerful solar light they offer now in this style, with an astounding 3,250 Lumens. Which is comparable to a 150-watt Halogen vehicle headlight which is plenty bright yet pleasant to the eye! Cameras don't do justice to these beauties; experience the soft and warm glow of these solar power LEDs next time you visit the Shiloh Conservation Area at sundown!

## Shiloh Conservation Area Solar Lights



# Construction Season Highlights 2023



## Annual Gravel Streets Program

Charles Street between Industrial Avenue and Monad Road—a new paved street completed by SID as requested by property owners.

## Annual Non-Maintainable Program

Brewington Drive and three adjacent cul-de-sacs—Mitigated existing flooding problems, paved the street, and added sidewalk and pedestrian crossings to school.

## Pavement Preservation Projects

- Central Avenue from 32nd Street West was milled and overlaid to the BBWA canal
- King Avenue East was chip and fog sealed from Parkway to Orchard
- Rehberg Lane was chip and fog sealed from Rimrock Road to Grand Avenue
- New buffered bike lanes were added to Rehberg Lane
- A pavement overlay was completed on Hilltop Road from Bazaar Exchange to Bench Blvd
- New bike lanes were added to Hilltop Lane along with the pavement preservation project

## Water Replacement Projects

- 19th St W – Colton Blvd to Parkhill Dr
- 21st St W – Colton Blvd to Parkhill Dr
- Parkhill – 19th to 21st St W
- Beverly Hill Blvd – 19th to 21st St W
- Avenue F – 10th to 13th St W
- King Avenue East – west of Parkway Ln
- Parkway Lane – King Ave E to Southgate Dr
- Southgate Drive – Parkway Ln to S 12th St W

## Sewer Replacement Projects

- Princeton/Yale/Harvard Alleys Michigan to Wisconsin
- Ponderosa south of Poly
- Burlington 10th to 13th including adjacent streets: 12th St W, Cottage Ln, Romelda Ln, Wunnicke Ln
- Montana/1st Ave Alley – N 20th to N 27th
- South side triangle area between 1st Ave South, State Ave, and South 39<sup>th</sup>

## Storm Improvements

- Grand Avenue and 3rd Street West----Replace storm inlets and traffic signal conduit, cabinet, and controller

## Traffic Signals & Traffic Improvements

- Coordinating with Yellowstone County, new traffic signal at 48th St W and Grand Ave
- New traffic signal at 32nd Street West and Grand Avenue
- Traffic signal coordination project on 24th Street West to improve traffic flow from Grand Avenue to King Avenue West

## Missing Sidewalk Program

Completed missing sections of sidewalk along Virginia Lane, Alkali Creek Road, 12<sup>th</sup> Street West, 21<sup>st</sup> Street West, and Parkview Lane in support of Safe Routes to School recommendations and arterial streets.

## Solid Waste

- Landfill Compost Facility - The project is awaiting delivery of the mixing unit anticipated in May 2024 and will then be operational.
- Landfill Scale Addition - A new scale was added to improve landfill traffic flow and improve customer wait times on the scale customer by separating City and industrial uses from the residential users.



Visitor enjoying the iconic Skyline Trail on roller skates shortly after its completion~

### **Skyline Trail**

The City completed the 3.5 miles of the Skyline Trail and is open for business. This project also paved four parking lots including one truck parking a lot along the rims and completed the paving of the Zimmerman Park parking lot. The trail is now connected from Zimmerman Park to east to Coulson Park and the Billings Heights.

### **Inner Belt Loop**

This project will complete the 5-mile roadway from Highway 3 to Alkali Creek Road complete with a 10-foot multi-use trail. Scheduled completion is July 2024.

### **Riverfront Park Trail and Pedestrian Bridge**

This trail was completed in concert with the Parks Department from Riverfront Park generally northeast to the Gray Eagle Ditch. The project installed a new pedestrian bridge over the Gray Eagle Ditch for future multi-modal connectivity to the east.

### **Mullowney Lane between Elysian Road Midland Road**

Completed this CIP project with new multi-use trail connecting Midland Road to Elysian Road, new sidewalks, ADA improvements, a traffic signal at Elysian Road, and traffic calming island at Holiday Avenue

### **Monad Sewer from Shiloh Road west toward 48<sup>th</sup> Street West**

This important trunk sewer will serve properties from Central Avenue south to Rocky Vista Way, and ultimately west out King Avenue. This sewer will have developer reimbursement in the near future.

### **Lake Elmo Road--School and Safety Improvements**

The school crossing at Uinta Park Drive was improved with rectangular flashing beacons, a new school flasher was added to the crossing at Lake Elmo and Milton Lane, and additional safety signage was added to the north end of Lake Elmo north of the Fish and Game building.



Inner Belt Loop coming in July 2024



Charles Street between Industrial Avenue and Monad Road



Compost Facility @ Billings Regional Landfill



Hilltop Road from Bazaar Exchange to Bench Blvd



Optimist Park – Stephens Lane



Mullowney Lane between Elysian Road Midland Road

## Revolutionizing Wastewater Treatment: City of Billings Water Reclamation Facility Upgrade Project Earns National and International Recognition

If you haven't thought about what happens when you flush the toilet lately, we are happy to report that it is off to be treated at our award-winning City of Billings Water Reclamation Facility (WRF)! The recent WRF nutrient upgrade project has earned the following recognitions locally, nationally, and internationally due to its innovation, cost savings, and impressive results:

### Montana ACEC Grand Award & ACEC National Engineering Excellence Award

The ACEC (American Council of Engineering Companies) celebrates projects worldwide that embody innovation, creative problem-solving, and engineering's unique ability to make the world a better place.

### Water Environment Federation Project Excellence Award

Only two projects nationwide were deemed worthy of the Water Environment Federation Project Excellence Award, and our nutrient upgrade project is one of them.

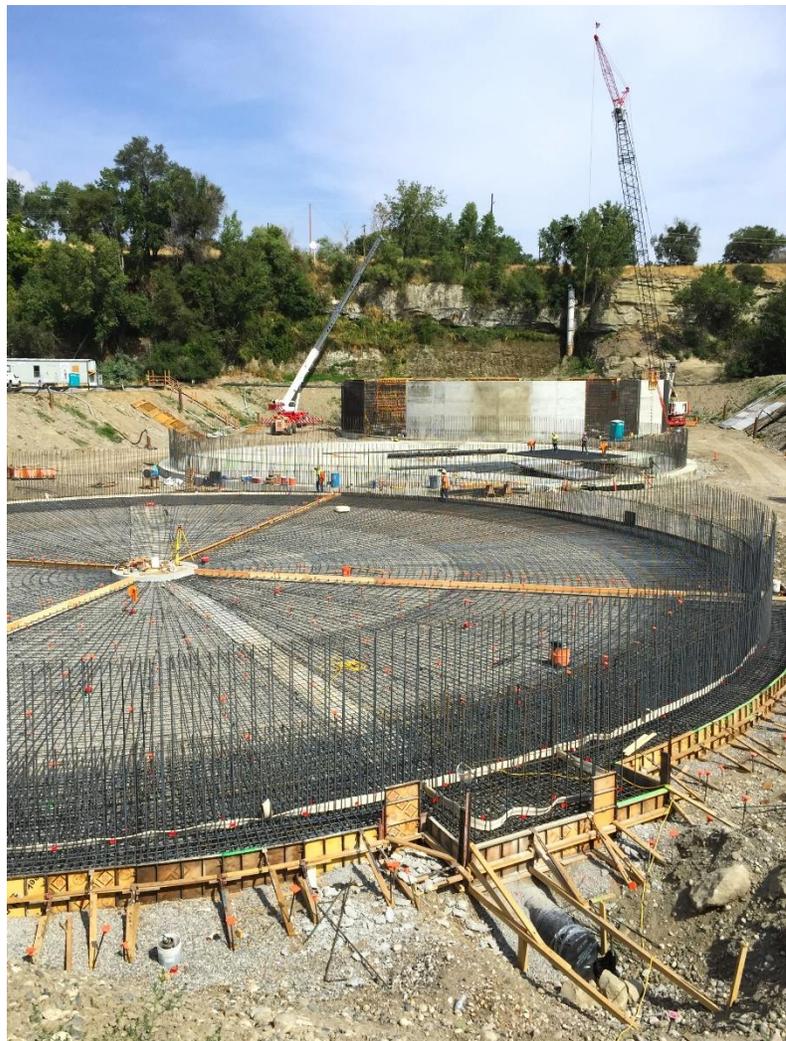
### International Federation of Consulting Engineers Award of Merit

The project is among four US projects in the top 30, representing 14 countries!

**Above all, here are a few highlights on why it's so cool for our community.**

- **Innovation that Literally Saved Hundreds of Millions**

All-new secondary treatment facilities that meet the nutrient upgrade requirements would cost \$250 million. By repurposing and converting existing bioreactors, then building new secondary clarifiers, the project was completed at a construction cost of approximately \$65 million. The repurposing did pose some serious challenges, yet the team managed to treat incoming wastewater during construction, showcasing their resilience and expertise. The state-of-the-art aeration system secured a \$90,000 rebate from Northwestern Energy for its outstanding energy efficiency, resulting in an annual savings of approximately \$60,000 in electricity costs.



- **Biology Over Chemicals**

The nutrient removal process uses biology to reduce nitrogen and phosphorus, a cost-effective and eco-friendly alternative to chemical methods.

- **Smells Good & Looks Good**

Using a biological process, foul air is pulled through a wetted wood chip bed, addressing both odor and corrosion issues efficiently.

- **Timely Construction**

Project started in March 2017 and hit the finish line on September 4, 2020, demonstrating excellent project management.



- **Impressive Results**

Finally, the upgrade achieved an impressive 90% reduction in nutrients, crushing nutrient goals every month during nutrient season.

Congrats to the City of Billings Water Reclamation Facility on its prestigious recognition nationally and internationally! We certainly couldn't have done it without the amazing Public Works operations and engineering team, awesome consultants from HDR who helped design the project, and the outstanding team at Sletten Construction that carried it out. Thanks to our hardworking staff and the much-needed upgrade, the health of our community and the Yellowstone River is guaranteed!



Our Water Reclamation Facility welcomes educational outreach and facility tour requests, please find details on our website [www.billingsmtpublicworks.gov/235/Water-Systems](http://www.billingsmtpublicworks.gov/235/Water-Systems)

# Photo Evidence of Fun and Engagement from the Community



**Public Works Presentations @ the Library**

Letting the community know about what we do and how we do it through outreach and engagement is important to us at Billings Public Works!

From inviting you to the ribbon cuttings of major community projects, to bringing you on a guided neighborhood bike tour in promoting active transportation, to teaching kids about our storm water system at the Saturday Live event and more, we hope to have many future opportunities to share, learn, and grow together. Please follow us on social media for future events!



**Bright'n'Beautiful Christmas Tree Recycling**



**Solid Waste pays a Visit to the Leap to Learning Preschool**



**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in Celebration of the Skyline Trail**

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Utilities Customer Service	406-657-8315
After Hours Utility Emergency	406-657-8353

## COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Billings Heights Water District	406-252-0539
Montana-Dakota Utilities	406-896-4250
Northwestern Energy	888-467-2669

**COUNCIL INITIATIVES  
APPROVED SINCE AUGUST 2023**

Date	Sponsor/Initiative	Action	Resolved	Assigned To
02/08/16	COUNCILMEMBER SULLIVAN: Made a motion to review all ordinances over four years with the opportunity to fast track any ordinances to match citizen/council needs, seconded by Councilmember McFadden. APPROVED.	Departments are reviewing Municode comments, questions and recommendations and adding those of their own. Code Enforcement is working with Legal on changes to improve its enforcement and court processes. Zoning Code was amended on 1/25/2021 by Ord. 21-5748. More work to be done on other sections of the Code.	In Progress	Gina Dahl Denise Bohlman
12/21/20	COUNCILMEMBER CHORIKI: Moved to direct staff to put the flowing issues on future work sessions. Staff will inform the council of any existing work on the issue and for the council to “brainstorm” possible solutions to these issues: 1) Staff and the Parks Board provide an informational presentation to council at their earliest convenience on their work identifying possible funding for the operations and maintenance of parks, including new capital projects, seconded by Councilmember Neese. APPROVED 2) Discussion of a policy and a funding source for completing the sidewalks and trails, including safe routes to schools; and 3) Staff provide a detailed cost of services report by March 15 <sup>th</sup> , seconded by Councilmember Neese. APPROVED.	1) City Administration and Parks presented funding options at the 3/15/21 City Council Work Session. 2) Presentation on Trail Funding was presented at the 4/19/21 Work Session. 3) This item has been pulled out and had separate discussion to determine next steps by the FY23 budget cycle.	1) Completed 2) Completed	
10/11/21	COUNCILMEMBER RONNING: Moved to direct staff to put establishing a City Charter Review Committee on a work session and invite Dan Clark, Local Government Center, to advise council of the process of reviewing the City Charter, seconded by Councilmember Neese. APPROVED.	Work Session held in March 2022. A second Work Session to be held 8/15/2022. This is scheduled for the 8/21/2023 Work Session.	Local Government Study Review Resolution will be adopted in February 2024	Chris Kukulski
11/22/21	COUNCILMEMBER YAKAWICH: Moved to direct staff and the future council to design, implement and install a standalone COVID19 memorial within the first year the new law and justice center/city hall is used in honor of those whose lives were lost due to COVID in Yellowstone, seconded by Councilmember Choriki. APPROVED.	Mike Yakawich and Mayor Bill Cole have convened a committee to explore ideas. No status updates from the committee.	In Progress	Kevin Iffland

Date	Sponsor/Initiative	Action	Resolved	Assigned To
11/22/21	COUNCILMEMBER YAKAWICH: Moved to direct staff to implement regulations for recovery residences also known as sober living housing to reduce the amount of disturbances and building and code enforcement issues, seconded by Councilmember Choriki. APPROVED.	SB 94 signed into Law May 19, 2023. City Staff are reviewing the new law to determine local jurisdiction authority and involvement with DPHHS and DOC.	Completed	Chris Kukulski Rich St. John Wyeth Friday Gina Dahl
1/24/22	COUNCILMEMBER CHORIKI: Directed staff to add "Housing Needs" to a future Work Session as a topic for discussion, seconded by Councilmember Joy. APPROVED.	The Council passed this Housing Strategy Initiative and tasked HomeFront (Housing Authority) to lead the effort to develop a Strategy for Billings. The work has included a grant-funded Workshop Solutions Workshop with national experts, formation of a local Housing Strategy Committee, and a community forum to develop Housing Strategy elements.	In Progress	Patti Webster HomeFront Wyeth Friday Chris Kukulski
5/09/22	COUNCILMEMBER RUPSI: Directed staff, within the next 90 days, to compile a list of City-owned properties; put together a process to encourage development proposals; and identify costs involved, seconded by Councilmember Owen. APPROVED.	First responses to the RFP to sell four (4) city properties are under review with counteroffers being developed. There is no staff availability to move forward with the remaining properties until the first batch of property's disposition is determined. A purchase and sale agreement is scheduled on the 2/26/24 council agenda.	Ongoing	Kevin Iffland
1/23/2023	COUNCILMEMBER CHORIKI: Moved to allocate \$10,000 from a fund to be recommended by staff and later approved by City Council to create a Traffic Safety Oversight Committee to include staff members and community members. APPROVED>	The Committee has met three times since March and discussions have included developing an informative website to keep residents informed and promoting supporting partners, exploring the Office of Public	Completed/Ongoing	Wyeth Friday Lora Mattox Rich St. John Pepper Valdez

Date	Sponsor/Initiative	Action	Resolved	Assigned To
		Instruction and the State MDT Traffic Safety Section for information and supportive programs, and joining multiple community events, including a Safety event during the month of September which is Fire Prevention Month. The Committee had a presence at the Strawberry Festival in July and will participate in the Guns and Hoses Softball Game in August.		
2/13/2023	COUNCILMEMBER OWEN: Moved to direct staff to Contract with National Center for State Courts or similar third-party entity to conduct a review of municipal court operations, including prosecution, and make recommendations to support the transition to a second Municipal Judge and a new Courthouse facility in planning for Municipal Court Expansion. APPROVED.	CGL has been selected to conduct the assessment – their first site visit is planned for August 21-23, 2023	In Progress	Liz Kampa
5/8/2023	COUNCILMEMBER CHORIKI: Moved to request that staff allocate \$15,000 from the PSML Prevention Fund for the current FY to the BAFVTF as a donation for immediate operational needs and as sponsorship for the 2023 McGurie Conference. Seconded by Councilmember Joy. Substitute Motion COUNCILMEMBER JOY: Move to prioritize printing the resource guide and incentivize matching fundraising between the City and BAFVTF. Seconded by Councilmember Tidswell. APPROVED.		Completed	
6/26/2023	COUNCILMEMBER CHORIKI: Moved to place on a Work Session agenda a presentation of the Community Provider Programs and Review City of Funding Proposal presented by Amanda Stonerock during a meeting on 6/19/2023. Seconded by Councilmember Rupsis. APPROVED.	The presentation will take place during the 09/05/2023 Work Session	Completed	Chris Kukulski
6/26/2023	COUNCILMEMBER JOY: Moved to authorize the City Administrator to disburse \$10,000 from the Council Contingency Fund to “Mobilize the MAGIC City” from either the FY23 or FY24 as determined by staff. Seconded by Councilmember Boyett.	Councilmember Joy notified Council of this item at the June 19 <sup>th</sup> Work Session; presented it at the Regular Meeting on June 26 <sup>th</sup> and Council ultimately took action at the July 10 <sup>th</sup> meeting. The Council voted to allocate \$10,000 of FY24 Contingency.	Completed	Wyeth Friday

Date	Sponsor/Initiative	Action	Resolved	Assigned To
7/10/2023	COUNCILMEMBER RUP SIS: Moved to direct staff to convert the recently submitted document addressing the Parks, Trails and Recreation Bond into a resolution, and be returned to Council at a business meeting before the end of August 2023. Seconded by Councilmember Shaw. Councilmembers Owen and Neese asked that a discussion of the initiative be placed on an upcoming Work Session meeting. Councilmember Rupsis indicated he would not be opposed to having additional discussion at a Work Session and would accept it as a friendly amendment to his motion. APPROVED.			
8/28/2023	COUNCILMEMBER CHORIKI: Moved to ask the City Clerk to place on an upcoming work session agenda an item for council to discuss consider on the current subcommittee structure (Budget, Legislative, Local Affairs and Operations).	Review of the council's subcommittee structure has been placed on the October 16, 2023 Work Session agenda.		
10/23/23	COUNCILMEMBER OWEN; Moved to approve an initiative that requests the City Administrator work with staff and leadership to investigate how it can address family violence more effectively and develop recommendations for Council on options to create a dedicated Family Violence Investigative Unit in the Billings Police Department. Seconded by Councilmember Tidswell. APPROVED		Completed	

## 2024 COUNCIL MEETINGS SCHEDULE

(Year to date listing appears at the end of this schedule)

### February 12, 2024 - **REGULAR BUSINESS**

#### **CONSENT:**

1. Bid Award: Landon's Inclusive Playground and Phase II Parking Lot Poly Vista Park
2. Bid Award: W.O. 24-07: Safe Routes to School
3. Bid Award: W.O. 24-19: Arnold Drain Intake Structure
4. Purchase 8 Police Utility Vehicles from Duval Ford
5. Purchase Night Vision Systems for Police S.W.A.T. Team
6. Contract for Uniform Rental / Purchase and Laundry Services for Public Works
7. Contract for scanning services with DIS Technologies
8. Contract for New City Hall Elevator Modernization
9. Amendment 15 with Morrison-Maierle, Inc. for Engineering Services to Construct Cargo Ramp Slot 5
10. Amendment 16 with Morrison-Maierle, Inc. for Engineering Services to Rehabilitate Aviation Place Access Road
11. Fire grant from State Farm
12. Annual Certified Local Government Grant Program for Historic Preservation
13. Second Reading BMCC Water and Wastewater

#### **REGULAR:**

2. PH and RES Creating SID 1426, Arvin Lane
  - a. Bid Award: SID 1426, Arvin Lane
3. PH and RES Creating SID 1427, Hancock Drive
  - a. Bid Award: SID 1427, Hancock Drive
4. New City Hall Security and additional updates (Kevin)
5. Gifting land to YVAS Discussion (Chris)

### **COUNCIL INITIATIVE - BUILT Environment - CM Rupsis**

#### **February 20, 2024 (Tues.) – WORK SESSION**

1. City Ordinance Amendments – Code Enforcement (Tina Hoeger)
2. Update Comprehensive Planning Process (SB 382) Wyeth
3. PMD Assessment Approval Discussion (Per Rupsis's question)
4. Retreat Prep Discussion
5. Council Discussion

### February 26, 2024 - **REGULAR BUSINESS**

#### **CONSENT:**

1. Boards and Commissions
2. BID AWARD: W.O. 24-03: Contract No 2 City Chip/Scrub Seal
3. BID AWARD: W.O. 23-11: Downtown Two-Way Street Conversion
4. BID AWARD: W.O. 24-01, Contract 1: 2024 Billings Water Main Replacement
5. Amend Park Development Council budget
6. Purchase of 2024 Asphalt Roller
7. Purchase of Three New Vehicles - Public Works Engineering Division
8. Change Order 1 - Public Library Hail Repairs
9. Funding, Maintenance, Construction and Local Agency Guidelines MDT Agreement - Stagecoach Trail

10. W.O. 24-11: WRF Solids Process Building Roof Replacement
11. W.O. 24-21: 1st Ave N Two-Way Conversion Feasibility Study, Professional Services Contract
12. W.O. 19-42: West End Water Treatment Plant Project, Amendment No. 5
13. West End Hangar Ground Leases with Beacon Air Group, LLC
14. Preliminary plat extension request for Hunters Point Subdivision
15. Donation from the Yellowstone County DUI Task Force
16. Donation from Streeter Brothers Insurance to Senior Scholarship Fund
17. Resolution – June Ballot - Local Government Review
18. Letter to County Re Jail discussion re: short-term holding

**REGULAR:**

1. PH – Low-income Multi-family rental housing (No Action) (Bjornson Jones Mungas Law office)
2. PH & RES for Nuisance Property Abatement Assessments
3. PH & RES for Weed Assessments
4. PH and 1<sup>st</sup> Reading ORD – ZC 1042, 655 West Wicks Lane
5. PH for Sale of City Hall, South Parking Lot, and North Parking Lot
6. Downtown Billings Partnership - Tax Increment Assistance - Rockman Hotel Project

**March 4, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

1. SBURA Update – Recreation Center Next Steps (Dick Zier, SBURA)
2. 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Review (Lora Mattox)
3. Prep for retreat (Rupsis land use follow up)
4. Council Discussion

**March 11, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

1. W.O. 19-42: West End Water Treatment Plant Project, Amendment No. 5
2. 2<sup>nd</sup>/Final Reading ORD – ZC 1042 – 655 West Wicks Lane
3. Zimmerman Home Place Subdivision, 4th Filing - Preliminary Minor Plat

**REGULAR:**

1. Downtown Billings Partnership - Tax Increment Assistance - Rockman Hotel Project

**March 15 and 16, 2024 (Council Retreat) 8 am - 7 pm Friday March 15 only??**

**March 15, 2024 - Council Retreat**

**March 16, 2024 - Council Retreat**

**March 18, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

**CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION 4:30 – 5:30 PM**

1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Annual
2. Permanent Supportive Housing Discussion (Dean Wells from United Way and CoC) 45 min.
3. Art House / Babcock Theater Discussion
4. Council Goals and Strategies

5. Zoom – Public Comment Discussion
6. Council Discussion

### **March 25, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

#### **CONSENT:**

1. Donation to Billings Public Library

#### **REGULAR:**

- 1.

### **April 1, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

1. Joint Drone Program (Mark Solberg/FD)
2. Safe Routes to School (Elyse Monat)
3. Proposed City Subdivision Regulation Amendments
4. Billings Mustangs??
5. Council Discussion

### **April 8, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

#### **CONSENT:**

1. Adoption of Council Goals and Strategies

#### **REGULAR:**

- 1.

### **April 15, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

1. Tax Abatement Policy (Dianne, BSEDA/Chris)??
- 2.
3. Council Discussion

### **April 22, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS CHRIS OUT**

#### **CONSENT:**

- 1.

#### **REGULAR:**

- 1.

**\*\*Judge Kolar would like to be first during budget meetings**

### **May 6, 2024 (BUDGET) – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

### **May 13, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

#### **CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**May 20, 2024 (BUDGET) – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**May 28, 2024 (Tues.)- REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**June 3, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

**CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION 4:30 – 5:30 PM**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**June 10, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**June 17, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**June 24, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**July 1, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**July 8, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**July 15, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**July 22, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS CHRIS OUT**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**August 5, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**August 12, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**August 19, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**August 26, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**September 3, 2024 (Tues.) – WORK SESSION**  
**CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION 4:30 – 5:30 PM**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**September 9, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**September 16, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**September 23, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**October 7, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

**CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION 4:30 – 5:30 PM CA Annual Review**

1. Council Discussion

**October 15, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**October 21, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**October 28, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**November 4, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**November 12, 2024 (Tues.) - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**November 18, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**November 25, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**December 2, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

**CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION 4:30 – 5:30 PM**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**December 9, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

1. Beartooth RC&D MOU

**REGULAR:**

- 1.

**December 16, 2024 – WORK SESSION (Vacate?)**

- 1.
2. Council Discussion

**December 23, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- 1.

**REGULAR:**

1.

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**January 2, 2024 (Tues.) – WORK SESSION**

1. Administration of Oaths and Affirmations of Office for reelected Councilmembers
2. DES Emergency Management Update (K.C. Williams)
3. Ordinance Amendments to Water and Wastewater Utilities
4. Stormwater Billing
5. Council Discussion

**January 8, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

- A. Bid Award: W.O. 24-03: Contract 2 Chip Seal / Scrub Seal
- B. Bid Award: W.O. 23-46: Compost Facility Waterline
- C. Purchase Water Reclamation Facility Equipment – Disinfection parts
- D. City-County Special Investigations Unit (CCSIU) Agreement for 2024
- E. W.O. 19-42: WE Water Treatment contract - Dick Anderson
- F. Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects
- G. Donations to Library
- H. MT FWP trail stewardship grant application
- I. Northwestern Energy easement for Mountview Cemetery
- J. ~~Easements North 28th Street~~

**REGULAR:**

2. PH and 1<sup>st</sup> reading ORD – Cemetery Code changes
3. PH and 1<sup>st</sup> reading ORD – ZC 1040 - 1404 and 1406 Avenue B
4. PH and 1<sup>st</sup> reading ORD – Special Review 998 – 1406 Avenue B
5. Nomination and Election of Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore

**January 16, 2024 (Tues.) – WORK SESSION **at the Library!****

1. Crime Prevention Round Table Discussion – focused on Crime Prevention
2. Council Discussion

**January 22, 2024 - REGULAR BUSINESS**

**CONSENT:**

1. Change Order 1 – New City Hall Access Control and Camera System
2. Contract for Airport Master Plan update
3. Memorandum of Understanding with Yellowstone County - West End Neighborhood Plan Update
4. Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding with the Yellowstone Conservation District for West End Reservoir Master Plan
5. Amend Park Development Council 2024 Proposed Budget
6. Federal Aviation Administration Airport Improvement Program Grants
7. Montana Community Reinvestment Plan Act Planning Grant (SB 382) growth policy
8. Donation to Parks from Billings Go Kickball to Youth Scholarship Fund
9. Donation to Parks from Scheels for Youth Scholarship Fund
10. Release of Perpetual ROW Easements - North 28th Street
11. Preliminary plat extension request for Annafeld North Subdivision, 2nd Filing
12. Resolution Authorizing the Filing and Acceptance of Transit Grant Funds and Related Documents
13. Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Private Negotiated Sale of Expanded North 27th Street Tax Increment Bonds
14. Resolution of Intent to Create District and Set a Public Hearing-SID 1427
15. Resolution of Intent to Create District and Set a Public Hearing-SID 1426
16. 2<sup>nd</sup>/ Final Reading ORD. – ZC 1040 – 1404 and 1406 Avenue B
17. 2<sup>nd</sup>/ Final Reading ORD amending Cemetery Rules and Regulations and Repealing ORD 03-5240

**REGULAR:**

2. PH - MT Dept. of Commerce Infrastructure Grant Application
3. PH and 1<sup>st</sup> reading ORD - BMCC Chapter 26 Water and Wastewater First Reading and Public Hearing
4. Appointments to Council Subcommittees and Boards and Commissions

**February 5, 2024 – WORK SESSION**

1. YC Short Term Jail Request
2. MRM update – Matt Lundgren
3. CRU and MRT Updates (Pepper and Banfield)
4. Family Violence Response Unit Update (St. John per Owen's Initiative)
5. CPTED (John Caterino, Mike Pigg and Wyeth Friday)
6. Council Discussion

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