



VISION STATEMENT:

"The Magic City: A diverse, welcoming community where people prosper and business succeeds."

**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

AGENDA

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MARCH 11, 2024

5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Cole

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Cole

INVOCATION: Councilmember Owen

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmember Kendra Shaw, Ward I
Councilmember Ed Gulick, Ward I
Councilmember Jennifer Owen, Ward II
Councilmember Denise Joy, Ward III
Councilmember Bill Kennedy, Ward III
Councilmember Scott Aspenlieder, Ward IV
Councilmember Daniel Tidswell, Ward IV
Councilmember Mike Boyett, Ward V
Councilmember Tom Rupsis, Ward V
Mayor William Cole

Absent/

Excused: Councilmember Roy Neese, Ward II

Staff

Present: Chris Kukulski, City Administrator
Kevin Iffland, Assistant City Administrator
Gina Dahl, City Attorney
Toni Keehner, Deputy City Clerk
Carly Collins, Grant Coordinator
Mike Pigg, Parks and Recreation Director
Jason Banfield, EMS Assistant Fire Chief
Andy Zoeller, Finance Director
Debi Meling, Public Works Director
Jennifer Duray, Deputy Public Works Director
John Caterino, Facilities Manager
Jessica Fust, Building Official

MINUTES: February 26, 2024 **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

COURTESIES:

PROCLAMATIONS: AmeriCorps Week - March 10-16

COUNCIL REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - CHRIS KUKULSKI

PUBLIC COMMENT on "NON-PUBLIC HEARING" Agenda Items: 1, 5 and 6 ONLY. Speaker sign-in required. (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes or as set by the Mayor. Please sign the roster at the cart located at the back of the Council chambers or at the podium. Comments on items listed as public hearing items will be heard ONLY during the designated public hearing time for each respective item. For items not on this agenda, public comment will be taken at the end of the agenda.)

1. **CONSENT AGENDA** -- Separations: 1A1, 1H, 1I, 1J and 1K2

A. **Bid Awards:**

1. **W.O. 24-02: Missing Sidewalk Project.** (Opened 2/6/2024) Recommend Knife River for Schedules I and II. **APPROVED 9-1, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED, KENNEDY OPPOSED**
2. **1709 Saint Johns Avenue, Housing Rehabilitation Project.** (Opened 2/20/2024) Recommend rejecting all bids. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

B. **Agreement** with United Diagnostic Services, LLC for Medical Evaluation/Diagnostic Consultant Services for Fire Department. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

C. **Memorandum of Understanding** between the City Parks Department and Little League Baseball and Softball. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

D. **Memorandum of Understanding** between the City Parks Department and Annafeld Homeowners Association. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

E. **Recommendation of Approval** of the 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program to the Policy Coordinating Committee. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

F. **Grant Application Submittal** for AmeriCorps VISTA Project. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

G. **Acceptance** of Inflation Reduction Act Urban and Community Forest Grant. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

H. **Preliminary Minor Plat** of Zimmerman Home Place Subdivision, 4th Filing. ***Quasi-Judicial APPROVED 9-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED, ASPENLIEDER ABSTAINED**

I. **Resolution** ordering improvements for W.O. 24-02: Missing Sidewalk Program. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

J. **Second/Final Reading Ordinance** for Zone Change 1042, located at 655 W. Wicks Lane. ***Quasi-Judicial APPROVED 9-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED, ASPENLIEDER ABSTAINED**

K. **Bills for the Weeks of:**

1. February 5, 2024 **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

2. February 13, 2024 **APPROVED 9-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED, ASPENLIEDER ABSTAINED**

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. **PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION** rescinding and repealing Resolution 90-16317, exempting property located within Hogan Homestead Subdivision. Staff recommends approval. **PUBLIC HEARING REMAINED OPEN – NO ACTION TAKEN**
3. **PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING ORDINANCE** amending BMCC, Article 22-800, Storm Sewers. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**
4. **PUBLIC HEARING FOR PURCHASE, SALE AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT** of City Hall, South Parking Lot, and North Parking Lot with Honaker Realty, LLC. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**
5. **TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ASSISTANCE** from Downtown Urban Renewal District to the Rockman Project for hotel project at intersection of North 27th Street and 2nd Avenue North, up to a maximum reimbursement of \$5,000,000, to be paid in 5 disbursements of \$1,000,000 each within 5 continuous fiscal years, as recommended by Downtown Billings Partnership (DBP) Board. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**
6. **TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ASSISTANCE** from the East Billings Urban Renewal District (EBURD) to Tailwind Management, LLC for remodel and redevelopment of property at 320 North 17th Street, up to a maximum reimbursement of \$137,086.47, as recommended by the Billings Industrial Revitalization District (BIRD) Board. **APPROVED 10-0, NEESE ABSENT/EXCUSED**

PUBLIC COMMENT on "NON-AGENDA ITEMS". Speaker Sign-in required. *(Restricted to ONLY items not on this printed agenda. Comments are limited to 3 minutes or as set by the Mayor. Please sign the roster at the cart located at the back of the Council chambers or at the podium.)*

COUNCIL INITIATIVES:

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