



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

**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

AGENDA

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

November 12, 2024

5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Cole

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Cole

INVOCATION: Councilmember Boyett

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmember Kendra Shaw, Ward I
Councilmember Ed Gulick, Ward I
Councilmember Roy Neese, Ward II
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 (Via Zoom)
Councilmember Mike Boyett, Ward V
Councilmember Tom Rupsis, Ward V
Mayor William Cole

Staff

Present: Chris Kukulski, City Administrator
Kevin Iffland, Assistant City Administrator
Gina Dahl, City Attorney
Toni Keehner, Deputy City Clerk
Jeff Roach, Aviation and Transit Director
Wyeth Friday, Planning Director
Debi Meling, Public Works Director
David Watterson, IT Director
Jessica Fust, Building Official
Cole McQuillan, Parks Superintendent
Andy Zoeller, Finance Director

MINUTES: October 28, 2024 **APPROVED 11-0**

COURTESIES:

PROCLAMATIONS:

- Family Court Awareness Month - November
- National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month and National Caregiver Month - November

COUNCIL REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - CHRIS KUKULSKI

PUBLIC COMMENT on "NON-PUBLIC HEARING" Agenda Items: 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 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: 1C, 1I and 1M1

A. **Bid Awards:**

1. **W.O. 25-03: Contract 2, Schedule 1 Pavement Patching, Schedule 2 Crack Seal/Mastic.** (Opened 10/15/24) Recommend Schedule 1 to Askin Construction; Schedule 2 with the Additive Alternate to Z and Z Seal Coating, Inc. **APPROVED 11-0**
2. **W.O. 25-03: Contract 3, City Chip/Scrub Seal.** (Opened 10/15/24) Recommend Hardrives Construction, Inc. **APPROVED 11-0**
3. **W.O. 23-23: Briarwood Lift Station H2S Mitigation.** (Opened 10/15/24) Recommend Western Municipal Construction. **APPROVED 11-0**

- B. **Non-Commercial Aviation Ground Lease** with the State of Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks. **APPROVED 11-0**
- C. **Purchase** of three (3) mowers from Midland Implement Company for Parks Department. **MOTION TO REJECT - APPROVED 9-2, JOY AND RUP SIS OPPOSED**
- D. **Amendment No. 2** to the Purchase and Sale Agreement (PSA) for Current City Hall with Honaker Realty LLC and JWT Capital LLC. **APPROVED 11-0**
- E. **Agreement** with Broadcom (formally VMware) for Virtual Server Licenses. **APPROVED 11-0**
- F. **2024 Federal Homeland Security Grant** for Police Department Bomb Squad. **APPROVED 11-0**
- G. **2024 Justice Assistance Grant Application and Memorandum of Understanding** with Yellowstone County. **APPROVED 11-0**
- H. **Donation** to Police Department from Rimrock Credit Union for School Resource Officer summer camp. **APPROVED 11-0**
- I. **Final Minor Plat** of Zimmerman Home Place Subdivision, 5th Filing. ***Quasi-Judicial APPROVED 10-0, ASPEN LIEDER ABSTAINED**
- J. **Resolution 24-11243** updating Tax Abatement Policies. **APPROVED 11-0**
- K. **Second/Final Reading Ordinance 24-5897** adopting 2021 International Fire Code (IFC). **APPROVED 11-0**
- L. **Council Holiday Meetings Schedule.** **APPROVED 11-0**
- M. **Bills for the Weeks of:**
1. October 7, 2024 **APPROVED 10-0, ASPEN LIEDER ABSTAINED**
 2. October 14, 2024 **APPROVED 11-0**

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. **RESOLUTION 24-11244 ESTABLISHING LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES** for the 2025 Montana State Legislature's 69th Session. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 11-0**
3. **RESOLUTIONS 24-11245 and 24-11246** for lease purchase financing and historic tax credit financing for New City Hall. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 11-0**
4. **TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ASSISTANCE** from the East Billings Urban Renewal District (EBURD) to Billings Animal Family Hospital for remodel and redevelopment of property at 1616 1st Avenue North, up to a maximum reimbursement of \$475,000, as recommended by the Billings Industrial Revitalization District (BIRD) Board. **APPROVED 11-0**
5. **TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ASSISTANCE** from the East Billings Urban Renewal District (EBURD) to Vemco, Inc. (DDG Partnership, LLP) for exterior remodel improvements of the property at 2016 2nd Avenue North, up to a maximum reimbursement of \$26,000, as recommended by the Billings Industrial Revitalization District (BIRD) Board. **APPROVED 11-0**

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:

ADJOURN: 7:26 P.M.