



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

**COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**  
**REVISED**  
**REGULAR AGENDA ITEM NO. 2**  
**RECOMMENDATION CORRECTED**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**                      **AGENDA**                      **5:30 P.M.**  
**NOVEMBER 25, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Cole

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Cole

**INVOCATION:** Councilmember Rupsis

**ROLL CALL:**

Present:      Councilmember Kendra Shaw, Ward I (Via Zoom)  
                 Councilmember Ed Gulick, Ward I  
                 Councilmember Roy Neese, Ward II  
                 Councilmember Jennifer Owen, Ward II (Via Zoom)  
                 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  
                 Denise Bohlman, City Clerk  
                 Debi Meling, Public Works Director  
                 Rich St. John, Police Chief  
                 Wyeth Friday, Planning Director  
                 Anna Vickers, Planning Division Manager  
                 Karen Husman, Planner  
                 Jeff Roach, Aviation and Transit Director  
                 Mike Pigg, Parks and Recreation Director  
                 Brandon Schmidt, Cemetery Superintendent

**MINUTES:** November 12, 2024 - **APPROVED 11-0**

**COURTESIES:**

- Billings Police Department Citizen's Award – Diane Casanova, KULR8 News Director

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

- Small Business Saturday – November 30<sup>th</sup>
- 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence (November 25<sup>th</sup> – December 10<sup>th</sup>)

**COUNCIL REPORTS:** None

**ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - CHRIS KUKULSKI**

**PUBLIC COMMENT on "NON-PUBLIC HEARING" Agenda Items: 1, 3, 4, 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: 11

A. **Bid Awards:**

1. **Airport's West End Sewer and Water Expansion Project.** (Opened 10/29/24) Recommend Cayton Excavating. **APPROVED 11-0**

2. **W.O. 23-96: Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Intake No. 2 Catwalk Improvements.** (Opened 10/29/24) Recommend Dick Anderson Construction. **APPROVED 11-0**

3. **W.O. 24-31: WRF Solids Process Building Ventilation.** (Opened 10/29/24) Recommend Empire Heating and Cooling. **APPROVED 11-0**

B. **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** between the City and Bright n' Beautiful. **APPROVED 11-0**

C. **Landfill Use Agreement** with MT Rolloffs, LLC. **APPROVED 11-0**

D. **Purchase** of one (1) 2025 Backhoe Loader from Tractor and Equipment Co. **APPROVED 11-0**

E. **Purchase** of Rebuild for Landfill Compactor Powertrain and Hydraulics; Tractor and Equipment Co. **APPROVED 11-0**

F. **Change Order No. 2,** to General Contractor/Construction Manager Construction Services Contract with Dick Anderson Construction, Inc. for W.O. 19-12: West End Reservoir Project. **APPROVED 11-0**

G. **Amendment No. 22** with Morrison-Maierle, Inc. for Engineering Services on the Runway 7/25 Reconstruction and Extension Project. **APPROVED 11-0**

H. **Donation** from Scheels to the Billings Police Department. **APPROVED 11-0**

- I. **Donation** of one park bench from Lockwood Precast to the Parks Department for Veterans' section in Mountview Cemetery. **APPROVED 11-0**

1. **Council Contingency Funds**, up to \$13,930, for 12 reinforced concrete planters to create a protective barrier between Central Avenue and the veterans' section in Mountview Cemetery, Lockwood Precast. **APPROVED 11-0**

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

1. October 22, 2024 - **APPROVED 11-0**
2. October 28, 2024 - **APPROVED 11-0**

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

2. **PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING ORDINANCE FOR ZONE CHANGE 1058:** generally located at 2135 Grand Ave. Zoning Commission recommends denial. **\*Quasi-Judicial** **THE WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION BY OWNER APPROVED 11-0,**
3. **TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ASSISTANCE** from the East Billings Urban Renewal District for EBURD Safety Pilot Program, up to a maximum amount of \$30,000. Billings Industrial Revitalization District (BIRD) Board recommends approval. **APPROVED 11-0**
4. **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE** for the Babcock Theater to Art House Management, LLC. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 9-2, UP TO \$300,000, KENNEDY AND ASPENLIEDER OPPOSED**
5. **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE** for the Billings Depot to Billings Depot, Inc. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 11-0, UP TO \$75,000**
6. **ADOPTION OF CITY'S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES.** Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 9-2, NEESE AND RUP SIS OPPOSED**

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**COUNCIL INITIATIVES:**

1. **Professional Services Contracting Review / Update.** (CM Aspenlieder) **APPROVED 11-0**

**ADJOURN: 7:47 P.M.**