



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

**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

AGENDA

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

DECEMBER 9, 2024

5 :30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Cole

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Cole

INVOCATION: Mayor Cole

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
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
Andy Zoeller, Finance Director
Debi Meling, Public Works Director
Jennifer Duray, Deputy Public Works Director
Wyeth Friday, Planning Director
Nicole Cromwell, Zoning Coordinator
Jeff Roach, Aviation and Transit Director
David Watterson, IT Director
Liz Kampa, Purchasing Agent
Mike Pigg, Parks and Recreation Director

MINUTES: November 25, 2024 **APPROVED 11-0**

COURTESIES:

PROCLAMATIONS:

COUNCIL REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - CHRIS KUKULSKI

PUBLIC COMMENT on "NON-PUBLIC HEARING" Agenda Items: 1, 3 and 4 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: 1B2, 1J, 1M, 1P1 and 1P2

A. Mayor Cole recommends that Council confirm the following appointments:

	Name	Board/Commission	Term	
			Begins	Ends
1	John Scheuering	Animal Control Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
2	Frans Andersson	Animal Control Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
3	Steve Tostenrud	Aviation and Transit Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
4	Ron Spence	Aviation and Transit Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
5	James Mariska	Aviation and Transit Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
6	Stephanie Donovan	Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee	01/01/25	12/31/28
7	Kristy Halderman	Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee	01/01/25	12/31/28
8	George Maragos	Billings BID	01/01/25	12/31/29
9	Shawna Bonini	Billings BID	01/01/25	12/31/29
10	Erin Lambert	Board of Health	01/01/25	12/31/28
11	No applications	Community Development Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
12	Jim Corson	Community Development Board - Low Mod*	01/01/25	12/31/26
13	Lynn Blevins	Exchange City Golf Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
14	Tafuna Tusi	Housing Authority	01/01/25	12/31/30
15	Phyllis Crawford	Housing Authority (Elderly)	01/01/25	12/31/27
16	Tammy Schwabe	Human Relations Commission	01/01/25	12/31/29
17	Maia Dickerson	Parks, Recreation and Cemetery Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
18	Jami Clark	Parks, Recreation and Cemetery Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
19	Melissa Henderson	Parks, Recreation and Cemetery Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
20	Eugenia Waller	Parks, Recreation and Cemetery Board	01/01/25	12/31/29
21	Stephen Eliason	Police Board	01/01/25	12/31/28
22	Rich McFadden	Police Board	01/01/25	12/31/28
23	Jim Ronquillo	Yellowstone Planning Board - Ward 1	01/01/25	12/31/27
24	Dennie Stephenson	Yellowstone Planning Board - Ward 3	01/01/25	12/31/27
25	John Staley	Yellowstone Planning Board - Ward 4	01/01/25	12/31/27
26	David Nordel	Yellowstone Planning Board - Ward 5	01/01/25	12/31/27

12* - Unexpired term of Valerie Courtney

APPROVED 11-0

B. Bid Awards:

1. **Snow Hauling.** (Opened 11/19/24) Recommend JC Excavation. **APPROVED 11-0**
2. **Snow Plowing.** (Opened 11/19/24) Recommend K2 Civil. **APPROVED 10-1, NEESE OPPOSED**

C. ~~Contract with A & E Design for Design Services for Amend Recreation Campus.~~ REMOVAL FROM AGENDA, APPROVED 11-0

D. Contract with Fisher's Technology for a print management program. **APPROVED 11-0**

E. City-County Special Investigations Unit (CCSIU) Agreement with Yellowstone County. **APPROVED 11-0**

F. Professional Services Agreement with Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services, Inc. for water and wastewater rate studies. **APPROVED 11-0**

G. Park 1 Condominium Declaration and Association ByLaws. **APPROVED 11-0**

H. Limited Commercial Aviation Ground Lease with Aerotronics Properties, LLC. **APPROVED 11-0**

I. Commercial Aviation Ground Leases with Edwards Jet Center Montana, Inc. **APPROVED 11-0**

J. Memorandum of Understanding with Beartooth Resource Conservation and Development Area, Inc. (Beartooth RC&D). **APPROVED 8-3, NEESE, KENNEDY AND ASPENLIEDER OPPOSED**

K. Donations to the Billings Public Library from Billings Library Foundation and various patrons. **APPROVED 11-0**

L. Donation to Police Department SWAT Team from Phillips 66. **APPROVED 11-0**

M. Final Plat of Clearwater Estates Subdivision. ***Quasi-Judicial APPROVED 10-0, ASPENLIEDER ABSTAINED**

N. Resolution 24-11247 approving FY26 Technology Replacement Program (TRP). **APPROVED 11-0**

O. Resolution 24-11248 approving the FY26 Equipment Replacement Plan (ERP). **APPROVED 11-0**

P. Bills for the Weeks of:

1. November 4, 2024 **APPROVED 10-0, ASPENLIEDER ABSTAINED**
2. November 12, 2024 **APPROVED 10-0, ASPENLIEDER ABSTAINED**

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. **PUBLIC HEARING** for land use contrary to zoning for Yellowstone County - Street Trees at the Miller Building. No action necessary.

3. **TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ASSISTANCE** from the South Billings Boulevard Urban Renewal District (SBBURD) to Service Pro Express Lube (DBA 5 Polacks, Inc.) for reimbursement of qualified expenses for improvements made, up to a maximum reimbursement of up to \$215,170, South Billings Urban Renewal Association (SBURA) Board recommends approval. SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO REIMBUSE UP TO \$180,792. **APPROVED 9-1, KENNEDY OPPOSED, ASPENLIEDER ABSTAINED**
4. **RESOLUTION 24-11249** approving the FY2026-FY2030 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED AS AMENDED 10-0, NEESE OPPOSED**

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: 7:45 P.M.