

Billings City Administrator Weekly Report

May 30, 2025

1. **Updated Utility Bill** - the enclosed bill DRAFT incorporates feedback we received from council members, the PW board and staff. The changes/additions are in blue on the latest draft. To implement the changes within the next few weeks we are asking that direction be given during the administration budget presentation Monday.

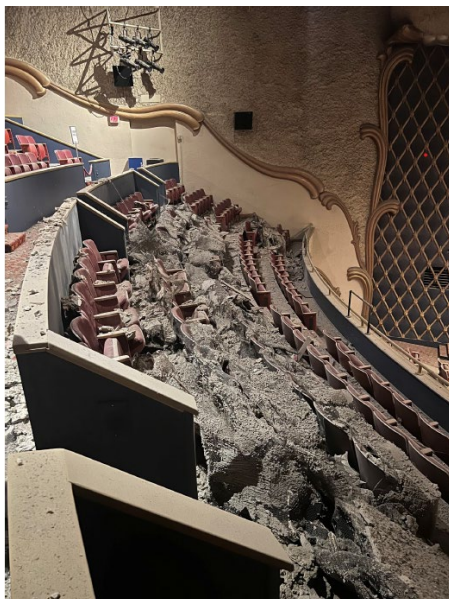
Questions:

1. Any further changes to the front of the bill.
2. Any additional topics to cover on the back of the bill.
3. Should the total charge for each service be at the top or bottom of the service charge?
4. Should the West End line remain or be deleted?
5. How does the Council want to proceed with the graph?
6. Additional outreach desired by City Council
7. Not specific to the bill template but when does the City Council want late fees to start and when should shut offs begin? The communication plan was sent in a previous email – are there other means by which the City Council wants us to communicate with our customers. (Plan as conveyed in email attached)

The back of the bill will be updated after Monday when we have all the comments. As of now, we are planning to add a comment about ERUs, WQAs and late fees/shut off information.

When the Council is satisfied with the bill template, we will forward it to the vendor, and it will be implemented within a couple of weeks.

2. **Babcock Theater Temporary Closer** – thankfully no one was hurt. Part of the ceiling let loose earlier this week.



3. **Meeting with Corning's & Iron** – we discussed the temporary hold facility progress, safety downtown and throughout commercial areas throughout the city. We are looking into the merits of creating a BID pilot in one of their commercial areas to see if it is a good tool to lower crime and improve cleanliness.
4. **Parks & Recreation News** - The City of Billings Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce the start of the aquatics season. Parks maintenance staff continued progress after opening all bathrooms for the season to open the spray ground locations at six parks for Memorial Day weekend. Certified recreation and maintenance staff are hard at work preparing pools for opening in June. (See attached press release.)
5. **Library News** - Student Writing Exhibit Showcases Young Authors at Billings Public Library.

This spring, K–3 students at Bitterroot Elementary and 5th-grade students at Alkali Creek Elementary have been sharpening their writing skills through focused genre-based instruction. As part of their opinion writing unit, students crafted thoughtful book reviews and local business recommendations, writing with real audiences in mind.

Their work has been published into individual books, which are now on display at the Billings Public Library. The exhibit, located on the Story Tower in the Children's Area, will be available for public viewing from May 27 to June 3. This project celebrates student voice, literacy growth, and the power of publishing opportunities for young writers. (Please see the June newsletter attached.)

See news coverage of the exhibit here:

<https://www.ktvq.com/news/local-news/billings-elementary-schoolers-write-and-publish-paper-books-to-promote-literacy>

<https://billingsgazette.com/article/7b71b22b-c551-484c-95e5-d96b973a3e1f.html#tracking-source=home-editors-pick>

6. **Public Works News** - Construction season has arrived! There are many construction projects to note. Rather than listing all the locations, attached is a map of the more significant projects to be constructed in 2025. Individual project timings vary, and specific updates will be posted on the Public Works Facebook page. Additionally, there are certain localized public outreach efforts depending on the project. (Please see the attached 2025 Construction Projects Map)
7. **MMIA Newsletter** – please see the Spring 2025 Newsletter which has a 2025 Legislative Session Concludes: Key Outcomes for Montana Municipalities. Please click the following link https://s3.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/mmia-2024/MMIA-Newsletters/MMIA_Cobranded_Newsletter_Spring-2025-Digital-compressed.pdf

8. Downtown Billings 2 Way Restoration – Please see the attached update on this ongoing project.

9. 2025 Council Meeting Schedule – Please review the attached draft agendas and provide any feedback regarding the order of business, modification of agenda items, or other changes to the consent or regular agendas. City code requires a specific order of business as it relates to certain items on meeting agendas, e.g., placement of public hearings first on the regular agenda, so your feedback will be incorporated with those code requirements in mind. ([BMCC 2-214](#)) Work session agendas are more flexible and can also easily be modified by the mayor with the consensus of Council during those informal meetings.

10. Next Week's Meetings/Task Forces

- a. North Park Task Force, Wednesday, June 4th 7:00 PM, North Park Community Center.
- b. Council Operations Committee, Thursday, June 5th 4:00 PM, Rimrock Room, 316 N. 26th Street.



CITY OF BILLINGS
Public Works Utilities
2251 Belknap Avenue
Billings, MT 59101

Bill Date: 03/27/2025

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What Do I Owe?
\$1,298.72

When is it Due?
04/11/25

.748 KGals

1. Reading matches meter

Current Water Usage (1 CCF = .748 Gals, KGAL = 1000 GALLONS)

Meter Number

Previous Reading

Current Reading

Usage CCFs

Usage KGals

885

1048

163

122

2. Usage in CCF and KGals
with conversion info

3. Service period by utility type

CURRENT MONTHLY CHARGES

Water Service 02/18/25 - 03/20/25 \$1,045.39

Base Rate @ 8.75

Tier 1 10 KGal @ 4.87 Per KGal = 14.87

Tier 2 22 KGal @ 5.82 Per KGal = 128.04

Tier 3 43 KGal @ 7.57 Per KGal = 325.51

Tier 4 47 KGal @ 11.37 Per KGal = 534.39

Water Service Line Repair Fee \$1.30

Solid Waste Service 02/20/25 - 03/21/25 \$14.50

Sewer Service 02/18/25 - 03/20/25 \$30.85

Base Rate @ 7.85

4 KGal @ 5.75 Per KGal = 23.00

Stormwater 02/20/25 - 03/21/25 \$6.68

Service Total \$1,098.72

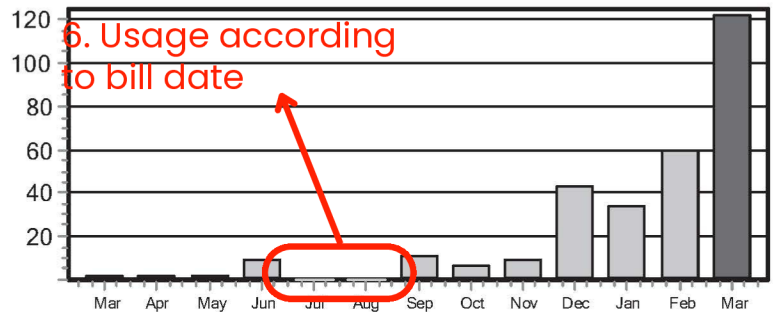
4. Rates include base rate + per KGal

5. Westend water line item removed
due to confusion

WHAT MAKES UP MY BILL?

Previous Balance	\$499.98
Payments Received	-\$299.98
Current Charges	\$1,098.72
Amount Due this Bill	\$1,298.72

Your Monthly Usage in Kgal



Tier 1 (0-10 kGal) Tier 2 (11-32 kGal)
Tier 3 (33-75 kGal) Tier 4 (>75 kGal)

7. Tier chart available

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

8. Clearer summary



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Account

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PUBLIC WORKS-UTILITIES
2251 BELKNAP AVENUE
P.O. BOX 30958
BILLINGS MT 59107-0958

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Communication:

- 1.5 to 2 months before date – Contact large commercial customers with large outstanding balances
- The bill before the date – messages will be added to bills regarding late fees and instructions for how to set up payment plan.
- 1-2 months before the date – social media posts about the late fee date and how to set up payment plans
- Month before the date – issue press releases and communicate with media outlets.
- Two weeks to a month before the date –send letter to all past due accounts
- Two weeks before the date – contact via telephone calls to all past due accounts
- From the date the late fees start to accrue - concentrated effort to communicate with customers with past due accounts to set up payment plans



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2. Usage in CCF and KGals with conversion info

3. Service period by utility type

Will the KGals match on a "real" bill?

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Meter Size: 5/8"		
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Base Rate @ 7.85 = \$ 7.85		
4 KGal @ 5.75 Per KGal = \$23.00		
Total:		30.85
Stormwater	02/20/25 - 03/21/25	\$6.68
PARCEL ERUs @ 6.68		
0906303006 1 \$6.68		
0906303005 0.75 \$5.01		
Total Stormwater Utility= 11.69		
Service Total		\$1,098.72

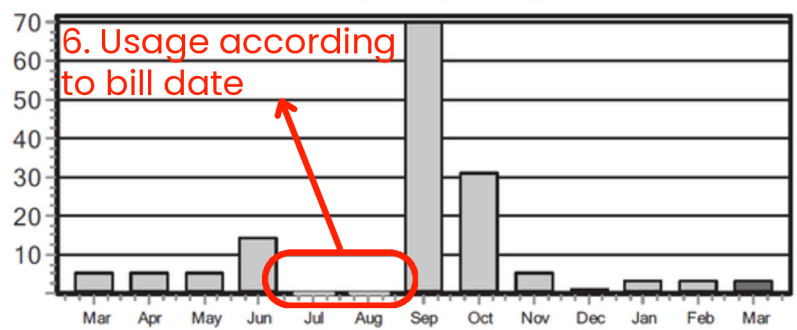
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Payments Received After February 21, 2024 Will Be Subject to a 10% Penalty.

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6. Usage according to bill date

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Tier 3 (>22 (23-43 kGal) Tier 4 (>43 (>75 kGal)

7. Tier chart available

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

Other Services offered by PW that can help reduce use cost.

Promotion messages i.e.

The city was able to save residents \$40 M or x\$ per year on the new water plant.
\$100 million due to regulatory changes.....

8. Clearer summary

Cost Saving tips each month.
Screen it before you drain it. Bag it before you toss it.
Drips lead to high water use. Green cans for Geen waste

Customers who pay bills through their bank (not auto-pay) must update the PAYEE ACCOUNT NUMBER to the 6-digit CUSTOMER NUMBER & 9 digit ACCOUNT NUMBER for a total of 15 digits. Example 123456A12345678 or 123456C12345678. The payee address should be the same as below.



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Amount due after xx/xx/xx date , Late fees are on back

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Online Payments and Inquiry



Pay Online

Our software provides: up-to-date water, sewer and garbage account information. Through these secure sites (InvoiceCloud or WaterSmart) customers can: make payments, view billing/payment activity and view service and consumption summaries. Your account number and an active e-mail address are all you need to access your information.

Visit billingsmtpublicworks.gov (Payments & Utility Account Services)

Pay By Phone (IVR)

Call (406) 657-8315 to use the self-service automated telephone system - you will need your account number, checking account number or Credit/Debit card and the mailing address zip code. IVR is available 24/7, excluding 5PM on Tuesdays through 5PM on Wednesday.

Pay in Person or at one of the Drop Boxes

Utilities Service Center 2251 Belknap Avenue
Drop box in customer parking lot

City Hall (Main Floor) 316 N. 26th Street
Drop box west of N 27th Street on 3rd Avenue North near the old City Hall

Drop Boxes will be collected daily and posted the following business day

All payments must be received in our office before the due date to avoid disruption of service.

AutoPay

City of Billings utility customers can save time & money by signing up for auto-pay services. Go to accountadmin.billingsmtpublicworks.gov to register your online account and select automatic payments.

Paperless Billing Available

Paperless billing is available. Go to accountadmin.billingsmtpublicworks.gov to register your online account and select paperless billing.

Resources

Copies of Water/Wastewater Rate Schedules and Regulations are available for your inspection at the Utilities Service Center during normal working hours. Rate information is also available by visiting our web site at billingsmtpublicworks.gov (Assessments, Fees & Rates)

Late fees are caculated xyz....., NSF checks are xyz. Shut off and turn on for non-payment or seasonal use are xyz...



May 29, 2025

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Pool Openings 2025

390 N 23rd St
Billings, MT 59101
P 406.657.8371

The City of Billings Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce the start of aquatics season. Parks maintenance staff continued progress after opening all bathrooms for the season to open the spray ground locations at six parks for Memorial Day weekend. Certified recreation and maintenance staff are hard at work preparing pools for opening in June.

Rose Pool and South Pool will open for the season on June 14th at noon. Wading pools at Pioneer Park and Hawthorne Park will open the following week on June 18th. To kick off the season at South Pool, free swimming lessons are available June 16th–19th; registration is required.

The aquatics staff will balance scheduling, training and certification over the coming weeks in preparation for the season. The department has over 60 lifeguard applicants for the season to staff swimming and wading pools across these four facilities. All lifeguards will complete the Red Cross Lifeguard and First Aid/CPR/AED Certification.

The operating schedule for each facility is as follows:

- Rose Pool is open daily 12–7pm.
- South Pool is open daily 12–6pm.
- Wading pools are open daily 12–6pm.
- All spray grounds operate on timers from 10am to 8pm.

Pools are slated to close for the season on August 30th, depending on availability and weather. The pool season will wrap up with the Annual Dog Days of Summer dogs-only swim on August 31st from 12–3pm. Adult companions are required to supervise their dogs. Dogs are \$4 each and humans are free.

At the time of writing the North Park spray grounds require some repairs before opening for the season. For more information about our pools and spray grounds, visit www.billingsparks.org/facilities/ and stay up to date on Billings Parks & Recreation social media platforms.

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Color Our World with Creativity

- **L.A. Huffman Photography Display**
He was an important chronicler of America's westward expansion.
June 2–30, Montana Room Digital Display
- **Music of the West African Kora**
Sean Gaskell plays the kora, an ancient, 21-stringed West African harp.
3–4pm, Wednesday, June 4, under the Oculus
- **Art Copyist Program**
Local artists recreate Isabelle Johnson's original portrait of Ann Whitnack.
1:30–4pm, Saturday, June 21, under the Oculus

Busy, busy days at the Library!

- **Sign up the whole family SUMMER READING 2025!**
<https://www.billingslibrary.org/531/Summer-Reading>
- **Look for the Bike Library out and around town**
from Pioneer Park to the Westend Children's Clinic
- **Hear Craig Johnson read from his newest Longmire book**
6–7pm, Friday, June 13, in the Community Room
- **Come to Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Celebration**
10am–noon, Saturday, June 21, in the Community Room

Sign up for Summer Reading! in June...

Color Our World is our all-ages **2025 Summer Reading Program** theme. We're celebrating art, creativity and exploration. Discover vibrant stories, track your reading and earn fun prizes along the way. Don't miss our lineup of free, colorful events designed for all ages. Visit our website to learn more and register: <https://www.billingslibrary.org/531/Summer-Reading>

- Sign-up begins Tuesday, June 3; programs begin Tuesday, June 17

Summer Reading Programs for Kids

JUNIOR ADVENTURERS (ages 6–12): Fun and hands-on programs that are sure to bring the artist out. Registration required.

- 3pm, Wednesdays, in the Community Room unless otherwise noted
- June 18~**Billings Best Balloons**: Learn to create balloon animals with Violet.
- June 25~**Yarn Bar**: Learn how to finger crochet.

ADVENTURES BEYOND STORY TIME (ages 0–6, but all ages welcome):

Fun and interactive presentations from local community partners. No registration.

- 10am, Thursdays in June, in the Community Room unless otherwise noted
- June 19~**Colorful Camouflage from Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks**
- June 26~**Favorite stories come alive through the magic of Haan Puppets**

DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY CELEBRATION: Sing to Dolly's biggest hits with Dollyoke, make a fun craft and participate in our kids-only Dolly Parton Costume Contest. Prizes, photo-ops and cake! Sign up for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, a book-gifting program that mails high quality books to children.

- 10am–noon, Saturday, June 21, in the Community Room

MEET ARTHURI! Hosted by **Montana PBS! Meet Arthur** from PBS KIDS, snap a photo with him and take home exciting activity packs.

- 11am–1pm, Monday, June 30, in the Community Room

Summer Reading Programs for Adults

GET GRAPHIC BOOK CLUB! **Scott McCloud's "Understanding Comics"** is an innovative and entertaining work that offers both a history of graphic novels and insight into their unique visual language. Discussion will be Wednesday, July 9.

- Sign-up and check-out begins Tuesday, June 3, at the 2nd Floor Help Desk

RPG TABLETOP MINI-FIGURES PAINTING WORKSHOP: Join Riley Olson for a fun, informal classes for beginners to intermediate painters! Bring your own miniatures; paint, brushes and other supplies will be provided. Registration required.

- **PART 1**, getting started with base coats and washes
9:30–11:30am, Saturday, June 7, in the Large Conference Room
- **PART 2**, finishing touches, basing AND a gaming demo!
9:30–11:30am, Saturday, June 14, in the 2nd Floor Large Conference Room

DANWALT GARDENS TOUR: A morning guided tour of one of Billings' most beautiful locales! The hour-long tour on Friday, June 27, is entirely outdoors.

- registration required, sign up at [billingslibrary.org](https://www.billingslibrary.org)

Join the Bookmobile

- **Kids Fun Day**: animal encounters, climbing wall, emergency vehicles, safety demos and much more!
- 10am–2pm, Saturday, June 14, at ZooMontana

Beginners Skateboarding

- **Beginner Skateboarding Clinics** cover the basics. Skateboard and helmet provided. Register on the Parks and Rec website.
- 10am–noon, Sat., June 7 & 14, Billings Skatepark

Weekly Bike Library Events

- **Lunch Lines**, 12–1pm, Tuesdays, Pioneer Park
- **VR in the Park**, 10–11am, Wed., Pioneer Park
- **Skypoint Stories**, 11:30–1:30, Thurs., under Skypoint Downtown
- **Tech Café at 2–4pm at local cafés**, Friday, June 13@Rail/Line Café Friday, June 27@Rock Creek Coffee
- **Stethoscopes & Stories**, 10:30–11:30 Fridays, June 20 & 27 including a special celebration on June 20 Westend Children's Clinic

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Creative Writing Group

- 6–7:30pm, Tuesdays, June 10 & 24, 2nd Floor Large Conference Room

An Evening with Craig Johnson

The bestselling author's most recent book, **"Return to Sender,"** is the latest Longmire installment. He will read an excerpt, answer audience questions and sign as many copies of the book as people are interested in buying.

Co-sponsored by **This House of Books.**

- 6–7pm, Friday, June 13, in the Community Room

Knit in Public Day

We're partnering with the **Yarn Bar** for a day full of stitching joy! Participate in the largest knitting event in the world. Join us for a morning cuppa at an offsite cafe (TBD), 8:30–10am. Later head to the Yarn Bar.

- 8:30am, Saturday, June 14, offsite location (TBD)

Complex Issues Film Society

"The Intouchables," based-on-a-true-story movie is in French with English subtitles.

- 5:30pm, Tuesday, June 17, in the Community Room

Tagging Buddies

Yellowstone Valley Animal Shelter makes free engraved ID tags for your animals.

- 4–5pm, Friday, June 20, in the South Lobby

Senior & Adult Art Group

Join **Bonny Beth Luhman** from **Stickman Studios** to create a summer inspired oil pastel painting. Supplies are provided. Preregister through the Library's calendar or (406) 657–8255.

- 9:30–11:30am, Monday, June 23, in the Community Room

"Paws for Safety"

The **"Paws for Safety"** teaches children how to interact safely with dogs to prevent accidents. It highlights the importance of understanding dog body language, respecting a dog's personal space, and knowing when it is appropriate to approach or avoid a dog.

- 4–5pm, Tuesday, June 24, in the Community Room

Lemons & Lockers

- 11am–1pm, Saturday, June 28, at the Downtown Express Lockers

BPL Film Pass

Use your Library card to reserve a movie ticket at the Babcock or Art House!

Tickets admit 1–2 and can be used all month, **but are held for only one week.**

- ticket pickup at the 2nd Floor Help Desk

Memory Café

For adults experiencing memory loss and their caregivers. To RSVP or for info, call at (406) 259–3111.

- 10:30–12:30, Tuesday, June 3, in the Community Room

Adult ESL Chat Café

For adults learning or improving English as a second language. Activities, snacks!

- 2pm, Tuesday, June 3,
- 6pm, Thursday, June 19, 2nd Floor Large Conference Room

United Federation of Trek

A group of Star Trek fans get together, watch an episode, and discuss!

- 5:30pm, Wednesday, June 4, 2nd Floor Large Conference Room

¡Hablar Conmigo!

Diverse activities, all in Spanish!

- 3:30–4:30pm, Thursdays (not 6/26), 2nd Floor Large Conference Room

Qigong & Tai Chi Open Practice

"Internal arts" that confer health benefits.

- 5:30pm, Thursdays in June, in the Community Room

Crochet and Knit Hour

- 10–11am, Saturday, June 7, in the CO+LAB

D&D for Grown-ups

Weekly Pathfinder tabletop adventures.

Registration is required. Email refdesk@billingsmt.gov or call (406) 657–8290.

- noon–4pm, every Saturday, 2nd Floor Large Conference Room

Grow with Google Classes



June classes cover **Digital Skills for Everyday Tasks** including Google Sheets, Google Docs and Google Slides.

- 10am, Tuesday, June 10,
- 4pm, Wednesday, June 18, Computer Classroom

Public Benefits Clinic

Legal answers to public benefits questions.

- 1:30–3:30pm, Tuesday, June 10, 2nd Floor Large Conference Room

<div>1</div> <div></div> <div>Summer Hours: We now close at 6pm on Fridays.</div>	<div>2</div> <div>Complicated Book Club</div> <div>Registration and book pickup begins!</div>	<div>3</div> <div>Daycare Story Time 9:15 Story Time 10–11am 10:30 Memory Café 2pm Adult ESL Café 3–4pm Tween Art Club 4–5 Teens Destress 5–6pm Teens4Teens 6–7:30 Creator Club NEW Take & Make Tiny Art Show Kit</div>	<div>4</div> <div>Story Time 10–11am 3–4pm Music of the West African Kora 5:30pm Trekkies</div>	<div>5</div> <div>Books & Babies 3:15pm (classic) 3:30 ¡Hablar Conmigo! 5:30pm Qigong & Tai Chi 5:30–7:30 Teen Night in the CO+LAB</div>	<div>6</div> <div>Story Time in the Wild 9am 10:30–12 Glowforge Cert. Game On! 3–4:45pm 3:30–5 Teens Night @ YAM</div>	<div>7</div> <div>9–11 Teens Destress 9:30–11:30Paint Mini-Fig 10am Knit&Crochet 10–12 Skateboarding Books & Babies 10:15am 1–2pm Paws to Read 12–2pm TEEN D&D 12–4pm Adult D&D Krafty Kids 2pm Tween D&D 2:30–4:30 3–4:30 3D Print Cert. Game On! 3–4:45pm</div>
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<div>The CO+LAB is our all-ages technology, arts, crafts and multimedia makerspace. Safety training and equipment courses are available online or in person. All you need to know is at explorelearncreate.org. Registration is required for all CO+LAB programs. This calendar lists June’s programs.</div>		<div>17</div> <div>Daycare Story Time 9:15–9:45am Story Time 10–11am 12–1 Bike Library Pioneer Park 3–4pm Tween Art Club 5–6pm Teens4Teens 5:30pm Complex Issues Films 6–7:30 3D Print Cert</div>	<div>18</div> <div>10–11 VR in the Park Pioneer Park Paws to Read 3–4pm Junior Adventurers 3pm 4pm Class: Google</div>	<div>19</div> <div>Adventures Beyond Story Time 10am 11:30–1:30 Share Stories under Skypoint 3:30 ¡Hablar Conmigo! 5:30pm Qigong & Tai Chi 5:30–7:30 Teen Night in the CO+LAB 6pm Adult ESL Café</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Story Time in the Wild 9am 10:30–11:30 Stories Special Celebration! Westend Children's Clinic 10:30–12 Mini Makers 2–5 Teen Celebrate Summer Solstice Game On! 3–4:45pm 4–5 Tagging Buddies</div>	<div>21</div> <div>Books & Babies 10:15am (music) 10–12 Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library 12–2pm TEEN D&D 12–4pm Adult D&D NO Krafty Kids 1:30–4 Art Copyists Tween D&D 2:30–4:30 3–4:30 Charlie Cart: Summer Sips Game On! 3–4:45pm</div>
<div>22</div> <div>Tech Café</div> <div>tech help for adults now offered by appointment</div> <div>Call 247–8691 or email majorc@billingsmt.gov to make an appointment.</div>	<div>23</div> <div>9:30–11:30am Senior & Adult Art Group</div>	<div>24</div> <div>Daycare Story Time 9:15–9:45am- Story Time 10–11am 12–1 Bike Library Pioneer Park 3–4pm Tween Art Club 4–5pm Presentation: “Paws for Safety” 5–6pm Teens4Teens 6–7:30pm Writing Grp 6–7:30 Sewing Cert.</div>	<div>25</div> <div>10–11 VR in the Park Pioneer Park Junior Adventurers 3pm on Hiatus: Turning Page Book Group</div>	<div>26</div> <div>Adventures Beyond Story Time 10am 11:30–1:30 Share Stories under Skypoint NO ¡Hablar Conmigo! 5:30pm Qigong & Tai Chi 5:30–7:30Teen Wrkshp Magic the Gathering</div>	<div>27</div> <div>9:45am DanWalt Gardens Tour Sensory Story Time 10am 10:30–11:30 Stories Westend Children's Clinic 10:30–12 Cricut Cert. 2–4 TechCafé Rock Creek Coffee Story Time in the Wild 3pm Game On! 3–4:45pm Cat Tales 4–5pm</div>	<div>28</div> <div>Books & Babies 10:15am (music) 11–1 Lemons&Lockers 12–2pm TEEN D&D 12–4pm Adult D&D Tween D&D 2:30–4:30 Game On! 3–4:45pm 3–4:30 Sketch&Etch 3–4 Teen Improv</div>
<div>29</div> <div>The Library Show is on Billings Community Cable TV Channel 7</div> <div>Please check their website www.comm7tv.com for our weekly schedule.</div>	<div>30</div> <div>11am–1pm Meet Arthur! from MT PBS</div>	<div> Find us on Facebook</div> <div><div></div>and billingslibrary on Instagram.</div>	<div>June</div> <div>Please visit the Calendar on our website for the most current information.</div>			
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday

For Kids, Tweens & Families

Contact the Children’s Department by emailing kidsdesk@billingsmt.gov.

Take & Make Tiny Art Show Kit

Return canvas and registration by July 26 to be in our Tiny Art Show.

- available beginning Tuesday, June 3, Children’s Desk

Adventures in Story Time

- 10–11am, Tuesdays (ages 3–6)
- 10–11am, Wednesdays (ages 2–3), in the Story Tower

Books & Babies (ages 0–2)

- **Classic:** 3:15pm, Thursdays, in the Story Tower
- **Music Edition:** 10:15am, Sat. (NO June 21), Story Tower

Story Time in the Wild

Story time, walk along the Story Trail and a visit to the Bookmobiles.

- 9am, Fridays, June 6 & 20, at Josephine Crossing
- 3pm, Fridays, June 13 & 27, at Castle Rock Park

Chinese Story Time (for preschool & up)

Enjoy stories, songs and more. Speakers of all levels are welcome.

- 3pm, Monday, June 9, in the Story Tower

Sensory Story Time (for all ages & abilities up to age 12)

For neurodivergent and differently abled children. Registration is required. Attendance limited to 12 families.

- 10am, Fridays, June 13 & 27, in the Community Room

Spanish Story Time! (for preschool & up)

Enjoy stories, songs and more in Spanish. All levels welcome.

- 4pm, Friday, June 13, in the Story Tower

Art Explorers: Art Club For Tweens (ages 9–12)

Explore new projects every week! No pre-registration.

- 3–4pm, Tuesdays, beginning June 3, Children’s Craft Corner

Krafty Kids: Art Club For Kids (ages 6–9)

Get creative with us! No registration unless specifically noted.

- 2pm, Saturday, June 7, Children’s Craft Corner

Game On! Games & Legos!

- 3–4:45pm, Fridays & Saturdays, in the Craft Corner

ASL Social Hour

For anyone interested in American Sign Language.

- 3–4pm, Saturday, June 14, in the Story Tower

Practice Reading Skills with Dogs & Cats

Learning to read can be scary; a friendly face, particularly one with a wagging tail or a soothing purr, can ease reading anxieties and build confidence. Reading aloud helps build a child’s confidence.

Paws to Read with Dogs

Each child MUST register on the day of the program.

Read with Intermountain Therapy Animals

- 1–2pm, Saturday, June 7, in the Story Tower

Read with Pet Partner Therapy Animals

- 3–4pm, Wednesday, June 18, in the Story Tower

Cat Tales

Each family MUST register for a time to read to a group of shelter cats.

Read with Cats from Yellowstone Valley Animal Shelter

- 4–5pm, Friday, June 27, in the Story Tower

Just for TEENS

Destress with YVAS!

Relax with some friends from the Yellowstone Valley Animal Shelter!

- 4–5pm, Tuesdays, June 3 & 10, Teen Study 2
- 9–11am, Saturdays, June 7 & 14, Teen Study 2

Teen Night in the CO+LAB (registration required)

- 5:30–7:30pm, Thursdays, June 5 & 19, in the CO+LAB

Teen Podcast (registration required)

Stop by and record a clip for the Billings Public Library Teen Podcast.

- 6–7:30pm, Thursday, June 12, in the CO+LAB

Teen Gaming

Try Vive VR headset, Xbox One, Nintendo Switch, play board games.

- 3–5pm, Saturday, June 14, in the Community Room

Summer Solstice Celebration

Free henna tattoos from artist Kelley Partridge, DIY smoothies, crafts!

- 2–5pm, Friday, June 20, in the Community Room

Magic the Gathering Workshop (registration required)

- 5:30–7:30pm, Thursday, June 26, in the CO+LAB

Teen Improv Workshop with NOVA

- 3–4pm, Saturday, June 28, in the Community Room

TEENS4TEENS (ages 13–17)

- 5–6pm, Tuesdays, 2nd Floor Large Conference Room

D&D CAMPAIGN SCHEDULE

TEEN D&D (ages 13–18) (registration full)

Tween D&D (ages 10–13) (registration full)

Library Hours

Monday–Thursday 9am–8pm
Friday 9am–6pm
Saturday 9am–5pm
Sunday Closed

24/7 Express Lockers

**Downtown, Lockwood
the Heights and West End!**

Helpful Information

Phone numbers (all begin 406–)

Library: 657–8258
CO+LAB: 208–8861
Express Lockers: 281–3628
Bookmobile: 657–3091
Senior/Homebound: 657–8255
Foundation: 237–6149
Friends of the Library: 237–6170

Webpage www.billingslibrary.org

Calendar billings.librarycalendar.com

Email refdesk@billingsmt.gov

For Children & Families

Preschool Story Time (ages 3–6)

Tuesdays, 10–11am
Thursdays, 10–11am

Daycare Story Time
(for toddlers and preschoolers)
Tuesdays, 9:15–9:45am

Tiny Tales (ages 2–3)
Wednesdays, 10–11am

Books & Babies
(ages 0–2 & parent/caregiver)
Thursdays (classic), 3:15pm
Saturdays (music), 10:15am

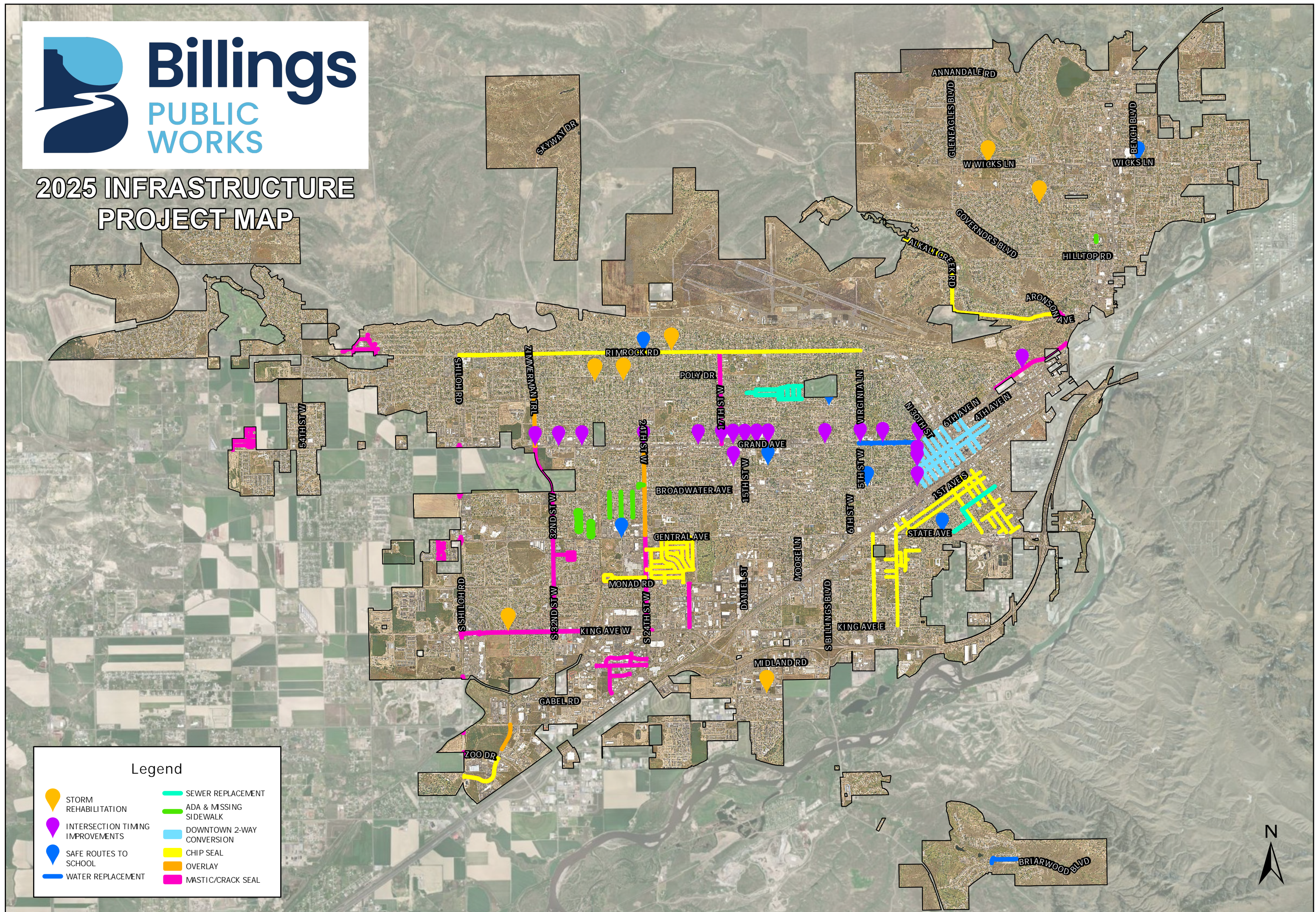
Game On! Games & Legos
Fridays & Saturdays, 3–4:45pm

Friday Night Fun!
Is on summer hiatus. Join us again
after Labor Day for fun for all ages!

2025 INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT MAP

Legend

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|---|--|
|  STORM
REHABILITATION |  SEWER REPLACEMENT |
|  INTERSECTION TIMING
IMPROVEMENTS |  ADA & MISSING
SIDEWALK |
|  SAFE ROUTES TO
SCHOOL |  DOWNTOWN 2-WAY
CONVERSION |
|  WATER REPLACEMENT |  CHIP SEAL |
| |  OVERLAY |
| |  MASTIC/CRACK SEAL |





Project Updates

New Traffic Alerts:

- **Lane closures are expected next week on 6th Avenue North and Grand Avenue leading up to the intersection with North 32nd Street** for underground electrical work. Expect delays while these closures are in place.
- **Starting Wednesday, June 4, there will be a single-lane closure on North 32nd Street between 6th Avenue North and 4th Avenue North** to allow crews to begin storm drain improvements under the roadway.



Looking east from the corner of 4th Avenue North and North 32nd Street, crews complete underground electrical work.

Construction Update:

- Concrete work at the **2nd Avenue North/Division Street** and **3rd Avenue North/Division Street intersections** will continue into next week. Expect short-term lane closures and intermittent delays as this work is completed.
- Underground electrical work has been completed at the **North 32nd Street/4th Avenue North intersection, near the YMCA**. Work on the ADA ramps will continue into the coming weeks. Pedestrian access will be impacted--please

follow all traffic control. **Expect short-term lane closures and intermittent delays as work is completed.**

- Concrete work is expected to begin at the **North 34th Street and 3rd Avenue North intersection** next week.
- **ADA upgrades will be completed early next week** at these intersections:
- North 29th Street/2nd Avenue North
- North 30th Street/2nd Avenue North



As part of a separate project, the City of Billings is **replacing water main under the roadway on 2nd Avenue North between North 31st and North 29th Streets**. Please follow traffic control and expect minor delays when traveling through this area.

To learn more and sign up for construction updates:



Website:

billings2way.com



Email:

billings2way@dowl.com



Text Alerts:

Text 2WAY to 833-648-0322
to sign up for text alerts.



UPCOMING DRAFT AGENDAS FOR COUNCIL / LEADERSHIP

Please review the draft agendas below and provide any feedback regarding the order of business, modification of agenda items, or other changes to the consent or regular agendas. City code requires a specific order of business as it relates to certain items on meeting agendas, e.g., placement of public hearings first on the regular agenda, so your feedback will be incorporated with those code requirements in mind. ([BMCC 2-214](#)) Work session agendas are more flexible and can also easily be modified by the Mayor with the consensus of Council during those informal meetings.

Thank you for your feedback!

May 27, 2025 (Tues.) REGULAR BUSINESS

CONSENT:

1. Bid Award: W.O. 25-13: Annual Stormwater Rehab Program
2. Bid Award: W.O. 25-01, Contract 2: 2025 Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project
3. CO 5. WO 19-12 Westend Reservoir
4. Amendment 6 to the Purchase and Sale agreement of Old City Hall
5. Limited Commercial Ground Leases with Marchi Family Enterprises, LLC
6. Mutual Release and Settlement Agreement with Knife River
7. Donation to Police Dept. for Camp Blue
8. Donation to Parks from Big Sky Economic Development for Coulson Park
9. Public Sidewalk Easement from Tanner Bennion - Rim Pointe Subdivision
10. Final Plat - High Sierra Subdivision, 20th Filing
11. Final Minor Plat – Amended Plat of Buffalo Crossing Subd.
12. RES adopting the City of Billings Purchasing Policy

REGULAR:

2. EBURD Tax Increment Assistance – The Food Truck Stop
3. PH and Special Review 999 - 4140 State Ave - Drive Through Service
4. PH and 1st Reading ORD - Zone Change 1065 - 1440 Governors Blvd
5. PH and 1st Reading ORD – Curb Cut Amendments
6. PH and RES vacating an Alley in Annafeld Subdivision, Fifth Filing
7. PH and RES setting street maintenance district (SMD) rates
8. PH and RES setting storm sewer rates
9. PH and RES setting solid waste, disposal and landfill fees
10. PH and RES setting water and wastewater rates
11. City Administrator's Employment Agreement Addendum

June 2, 2025 – WORK SESSION (BUDGET ONLY)

1. FY2026 Departmental Budgets
 - City Administration
 - City Clerk, Mayor & Council, General Fund Non-Dept
 - Building
 - Police
 - Planning, Comm Dev, Zoning, and Code Enforcement

June 3, 2025 – WORK SESSION (Tues.) (BUDGET ONLY)

1. FY2026 Departmental Budgets
 - Finance
 - Urban Renewal Districts
 - Fire
 - Municipal Court
2. Budget Wrap-Up

June 9, 2025 REGULAR BUSINESS (Chris and Gina out)

CONSENT:

1. Boards and Commissions
2. Bid Award: 2025 Vacuum Excavator
3. Bid Award: WO 25-01, Contract 1: Grand Ave Water Main
4. Consultant Agreement w/SRF Consulting for MET Transit Financial Sustainability and Governance Study
5. Contract w/Kittleson & Associates for W.O. 25-19 Transportation Corridor Plan
6. CO No. 5, W.O. 19-12, West End Reservoir Project, GC/CM Contract
7. Pioneer Park Basketball Court
8. Landon's Legacy Park Playground Fall Protection
9. FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for BBWA Canal
10. Commercial Aviation Ground Lease with Dan and Julane Wells
11. Perpetual Right-of-Way Easement for S 46th St W from Big Island LLC

REGULAR:

1. PH for Appeal of Evasion Determination- Exempt Plat of COS 3030, Zimmerer Family Transfer

June 16, 2025– WORK SESSION

Executive Session 4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M. Gina will have agenda

1. Montana's 69th Legislative Session Wrap-Up Presentation
2. Snow Plowing Update
3. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Annual Presentation (Elyse Monat)
4. Discussion: Development of the FY26 UPWP Transportation Planning Projects (Lora Mattox)

June 23, 2025 REGULAR BUSINESS

CONSENT:

1. Amendment Amend Park Recreation Campus; Langlas & Associates
2. Contract with Carahsoft Technology - Access Control and Camera Upgrade/ Billings Public Library
3. Compensation Agreement with LC Properties, LLC
4. Purchase of 30 Mobile Data Terminals (MDT)
5. Terminal Building Lease with Baggage Airline Guest Services LLC
6. Perpetual Right-of-Way Easement for Multi-Use Trail from Griffin Automotive Enterprises, Inc.
7. Donations to Public Library
8. Resolution ordering improvements for WO 25-02: Missing Sidewalk program

- a. Bid Award: WO 25-02, Missing Sidewalk Program

REGULAR: Do not add anything else

2. PH and Resolution Setting Annual BID1 Assessment
3. PH and Resolution Setting Annual TBID Assessment
4. PH and RES Budget Adoption

July 7, 2025– WORK SESSION

1. Big Sky Senior Services – Adult Resource Alliance (Erika Purington)
2. Transportation Alternatives Grant
3. Public Art Policy (Elyse Monat)

July 14, 2025 REGULAR BUSINESS

CONSENT:

1. Wilson Park LWCF Conversion

REGULAR:

2. PH and RES Annexing Mirco Circle, Annexation 25-03
3. RES Establishing a Procedure for the Disposition of Unclaimed Property (Has not be submitted into routing in AQ)

July 21, 2025– WORK SESSION

July 28, 2025 REGULAR BUSINESS

CONSENT:

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REGULAR:

August 4, 2025– WORK SESSION

August 11, 2025 REGULAR BUSINESS

CONSENT:

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REGULAR:

August 18, 2025– WORK SESSION

August 25, 2025 **REGULAR BUSINESS**

CONSENT:

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REGULAR:

September 2, 2025 (Tues.) – WORK SESSION

September 8, 2025 **REGULAR BUSINESS**

CONSENT:

1.

REGULAR:

September 15, 2025– WORK SESSION

Executive Session 4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

September 22, 2025 **REGULAR BUSINESS**

CONSENT:

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REGULAR:

October 6, 2025– WORK SESSION

October 13, 2025 **REGULAR BUSINESS**

CONSENT:

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REGULAR:

October 20, 2025– WORK SESSION

October 27, 2025 **REGULAR BUSINESS**

CONSENT:

1. *Council Meeting Schedule for December

REGULAR:

November 3, 2025– WORK SESSION

November 10, 2025 **REGULAR BUSINESS**

CONSENT:

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REGULAR:

November 17, 2025– WORK SESSION

November 24, 2025 **REGULAR BUSINESS**

CONSENT:

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REGULAR:

December 1, 2025– WORK SESSION

Executive Session 4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

December 8, 2025 **REGULAR BUSINESS**

CONSENT:

REGULAR:

December 15, 2025– WORK SESSION

December 22, 2025 **REGULAR BUSINESS**

CONSENT:

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REGULAR:

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CLERK'S NOTES

*Annual Items shown in Blue

January (First Work Session) after an election: Swearing in of new Councilmembers and Nominations and Elections of Deputy Mayor Pro Tempore

January: Amend Park Development Council Proposed Budget

January: Beartooth RC&D MOU

February or March: Legislative Updates (ODD years only)

March: Budget Calendar

March: Council Priorities

September: City Administrator's Annual Review

October: TRP, ERP and CIP

October: Council Holiday Schedule for December

November (First Regular Business Meeting) after an election: Nominations and Elections of Deputy Mayor