

**VISION STATEMENT:**

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

**COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY****CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
316 N. 26<sup>th</sup> St., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor

**AGENDA**  
August 25, 2025

**5:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Cole

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Cole

**INVOCATION:** Councilmember Owen

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Councilmember Ed Gulick, Ward I  
Councilmember Roy Neese, Ward II  
Councilmember Jennifer Owen, Ward II  
Councilmember TJ Rogers, Ward III  
Councilmember Bill Kennedy, Ward III  
Councilmember Daniel Tidswell, Ward IV (via Zoom)  
Councilmember Mike Boyett, Ward V  
Councilmember Tom Rupsis, Ward V  
Mayor William Cole

Absent/

Excused: Councilmember Kendra Shaw, Ward I  
Councilmember Scott Aspenlieder, Ward IV

Staff

Present: Kevin Iffland, Assistant City Administrator  
Gina Dahl, City Attorney  
Denise Bohlman, City Clerk  
Andy Zoeller, Finance Director  
Gavin Woltjer, Interim Parks, Recreation and Public Lands Director  
Jennifer Duray, Deputy Public Works Director  
Wyeth Friday, Planning Director  
Anna Vickers, Planning Manager  
Karen Husman, Zoning Coordinator  
Tricia Mae, Facilities  
Kelsie Rubich, Interim Library Director

**MINUTES:** August 11, 2025 – APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED

**COURTESIES:**

**PROCLAMATIONS:** Healthy Tribes Run on the Rims – August 30, 2025

**COUNCIL REPORTS:** None

**ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - CHRIS KUKULSKI KEVIN IFFLAND, ASSISTANT CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

**PUBLIC COMMENT on "NON-PUBLIC HEARING" Agenda Items: 1 and 10(a)(b) and (c) 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: 1D2**

**A. Bid Awards:**

1. **Fire Station 2 Boiler Replacement.** (Opened 8/5/25) Recommend Plumb MT, Inc. **APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
2. **Landfill Compactor Wheels.** (Opened 8/5/25) Recommend Tractor & Equipment Co. **APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
- B. **Purchase** of a sewer camera truck from SWS Equipment for Public Works Street/Traffic Division. **APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
- C. **In-Kind Donation** for Black Otter Trail Crack Sealing to the Parks, Recreation and Public Lands Department from Billings Trail Net. **APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
- D. **Bills for the Weeks of:**
  1. July 30, 2025 **APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
  2. August 4, 2025 **APPROVED 8-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED; RUPSISS ABSTAINED**

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

2. **PUBLIC HEARING** for land use contrary to zoning to expand the surface parking at Elysian School, located at 6416 Elysian Road. No action necessary.
3. **PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION 25-11284** approving a street name change from Leatherneck Lane in Elysian Subdivision to Community Place. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
4. **PUBLIC HEARING REOPENED AND RESOLUTION 25-11285** approving and adopting wastewater wholesale rates for FY2026. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
5. **PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION 25-11286** setting annual levies for FY2026 on General Fund, Transit, Library, Public Safety I, II, III, and General Obligation Debt. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 7-2, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED; KENNEDY AND RUPSISS OPPOSED**

6. **PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION 25-11287** setting annual Road Maintenance District No. 6 assessments for FY2026. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
7. **PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION 25-11288** setting annual Park Maintenance Districts (PMDs) assessments for FY2026. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
8. **PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION 25-11289** approving and adopting FY2025 Budget Amendments. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
9. **PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION 25-11890** approving and adopting FY2026 Final Budget. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 7-2, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED; NEESE AND RUPSISS OPPOSED**
10. **RESOLUTIONS** creating advisory committees for Urban Renewal Areas. Staff recommends approval.
  - a. East Billings Urban Renewal District (EBURD) **RESOLUTION 25-11291, APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
  - b. South Billings Boulevard Urban Renewal District (SBBURD) **RESOLUTION 25-11292, APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**
  - c. Downtown Urban Renewal District **RESOLUTION 25-11293, APPROVED 9-0, SHAW AND ASPENLIEDER ABSENT/EXCUSED**

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**COUNCIL INITIATIVES:** None

**ADJOURN:** 8:04 P.M.