

**VISION STATEMENT:**

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

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

COUNCIL CHAMBERS
316 N. 26th Street, 5th Floor

January 26, 2026

5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Nelson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Nelson

INVOCATION: Councilmember Shaw

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmember Kendra Shaw, Ward I
Councilmember Mark Nicholson, Ward I
Councilmember Roy Neese, Ward II
Councilmember Denis Pitman, Ward II
Councilmember Amy Aguirre, Ward III
Councilmember Bill Kennedy, Ward III
Councilmember Scott Aspenlieder, Ward IV – via Zoom
Councilmember Andrew Lindley, Ward IV
Councilmember Mike Boyett, Ward V
Councilmember Tony O'Donnell, Ward V
Mayor Mike Nelson

Staff

Present: Chris Kukulski, City Administrator
Kevin Iffland, Assistant City Administrator
Gina Dahl, City Attorney
Denise Bohlman, City Clerk
Gavin Woltjer, Interim Parks, Recreation and Public Lands Director
Kory Thomson, Recreation Superintendent
Paul Khera, Assistant Aviation Director
Debi Meling, Public Works Director
Matt Hoppel, Fire Chief
Cameron McCamley, Fire Captain
Wyeth Friday, Planning and Community Development Director

MINUTES:

- November 24, 2025 **APPROVED 11-0**
- January 12, 2026 **APPROVED 11-0**

COURTESIES: None

PROCLAMATIONS: None

COUNCIL REPORTS: None

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - CHRIS KUKULSKI

PUBLIC COMMENT on "NON-PUBLIC HEARING" Agenda Items: 1 and 3 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.)

A. CONSENT AGENDA -- Separations: 1J

1. Mayor Nelson recommends that Council confirm the following appointments:

	Name	Board/Commission	Term	
			Begins	Ends
1	Hannah Harsha	Public Art Committee - Artist	01/26/26	TBD*
2	Thom MacLean	Public Art Committee - Economic/Comm Dev.	01/26/26	TBD*
3	Linda Hewett	Public Art Committee - Billings Art Assoc Rep.	01/26/26	TBD*
4	Logan Hendricks	Public Art Committee - Architecture	01/26/269	TBD*
5	Zack Terakedis	Public Art Committee - Interest in Art	01/26/26	TBD*
6	Sunny Day Real Bird	Public Art Committee - Interest in Art	01/26/26	TBD*
7	No Applications	Public Art Committee - NADC Rep.	01/26/26	TBD*
8	Derek Stennerson	EBURD Advisory Committee	01/26/26	TBD
9	Kari Boiter	SBBURD Elysian School District 23 Rep	01/26/26	12/31/28

TBD* -- Three of the founding members of this committee will be assigned three-year terms; the other four will be assigned four-year terms.

APPROVED 11-0

- Bid Awards:** None
- Amendment No. 33**, Airport drainage Pond E design and construction management; Morrison-Mairerle. **APPROVED 11-0**
- Professional Engineering Services Contract** for W.O. 26-01, Contract 1: 2026 Water Main Replacement, to Morrison-Maierle. **APPROVED 11-0**
- Grant Funding** from Phillips 66, Walmart West End and Walmart Heights to the Fire Department to support the Safety Squad Program. **APPROVED 11-0**
- Resuscitation Quality Improvement (RQI) Program** for Billings Fire Department. **APPROVED 11-0**
- Exchange City Golf Club 2026 Budget** for Par 3 Golf Course. **APPROVED 11-0**

- H. Amend Park Development Council (APDC) 2026 Budget for Amend Park. **APPROVED 11-0**
- I. Billings American Legion Baseball Association 2026 Budget for Dehler Park. **APPROVED 11-0**
- J. Preliminary Major Plat for Copper Farms Subdivision. *Quasi-Judicial **APPROVED 9-1, ASPENLIEDER ABSTAINED**
- K. Bills for the Weeks of:
 - 1. December 22, 2025 **APPROVED 11-0**
 - 2. December 29, 2025 **APPROVED 11-0**

REGULAR AGENDA:

- 2. **PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION 26-11313** setting Parks, Recreation and Public Lands fees. Staff recommends approval. **APPROVED 11-0, WITH THE ADDITION OF A 10% DISCOUNT FOR SENIORS 65 AND OLDER ON POOL FEES ONLY AND NON-RESIDENT FEES INCREASED TO 140% OF CITY RESIDENT SCHEDULE OF FEES.**
- 3. **AMENDMENT NO. 1**, Agreement with YWCA to provide funding for the Northern Lights Family Justice Center. Staff recommends approval. **REMOVED BY APPROVED MOTION 11-0 TO BRING TO A FUTURE WORK SESSION – NO LATER THAN LAST MEETING IN MARCH 2026, IF POSSIBLE.**

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: None

ADJOURN: 6:47 P.M.