

COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

CITY OF BILLINGS

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**“THE MAGIC CITY – A VIBRANT, WELCOMING PLACE WHERE
PEOPLE FLOURISH AND BUSINESS THRIVES.”**

COUNCIL CHAMBERS	AGENDA (Revised)	6:30 P.M.
	March 11, 2013	

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Hanel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Hanel

INVOCATION: Councilmember Crouch

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers present on roll call were: Cromley, Ronquillo, Cimmino, McFadden, Bird, McCall, Ulledalen, Astle, and Crouch. Councilmember Pitman was excused.

MINUTES: February 25, 2013 - **APPROVED**

COURTESIES: CM Astle recognized CM Ronquillo and his wife for recently celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

PROCLAMATIONS:

- AmeriCorps Week - March 9-17, 2013
- National Service Recognition Day - April 9, 2013

The current VISTA volunteers were in attendance. They provided their name, hometown, and their projects.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - TINA VOLEK

City Administrator Volek commented on the following items:

- **Item B – Approval of lease with the Miller Building at 2825 3rd Avenue North for Planning, Building, Code Enforcement and Community Services relocation.**
 - ✓ E-mails from Charlie Yegen, Doug Jensen, Kay Montano, Elizabeth Miller, Steve Bruggeman, Mike Shaer, Dan & Patti Vierthaler, and Linda Parker forwarded to Mayor & Councilmembers in favor of relocating city offices to the Miller Building.

- ✓ Copy of updated PowerPoint presentation by Liz Kampa-Weatherwax sent in 3/8/13 Friday packet.
- ✓ Cost Comparison Chart
- **Item C2 – Approval authorizing City Administrator to sign Empire Parking Garage parking unit purchase agreements and subsequent documents necessary to transfer units.**
 - ✓ Copy of Sale and Purchase Agreement between the City and Alley Cat Investments, LLC for purchase of parking unit in the amount of \$108,288.75 sent in 3/8/13 Friday Packet.
- **Item F – Resolution fixing the form and terms of DNRC Series 2013 bonds for construction of Heights sanitary sewer lift station.**
 - ✓ Copy of Revised Resolution from Dorsey & Whitney sent in 3/8/13 Friday Packet.
- **Item 2 – FY14 General Fund and Public Safety Budget Discussion staff memo.**
 - ✓ Copy of staff memo and attachments sent via e-mail to Mayor and Council 3/10/13.

PUBLIC COMMENT on “NON-PUBLIC HEARING” Agenda Items: #1 & #2 ONLY.

Speaker sign-in required. (Comments offered here are limited to one (1) minute.

Please sign in at the cart located at the back of the council chambers or at the podium. Comment 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.)

The public comment period was opened.

The following individuals spoke on Item B in favor of moving city staff to the Miller Building.

- **Steve Wahrlich, 2511 1st Avenue North, Billings, MT**
- **Drew Smith, 1748 Front Street, Billings, MT**
- **Norman Miller, 4507 Palisades Park Drive, Billings, MT**
- **Rayla Romain, 4313 Wells Place, Billings, MT**

The following individuals spoke on Item B in favor of moving city staff to the Crane Building.

- **Jerry Ray, 2646 Grand Avenue, Billings, MT**
- **Dave Hawkins, 2617 Westfield Drive, Billings, MT**

1. **CONSENT AGENDA** -- Separations: A2, B, C1, I1, I2, and I3

A. **Bid Awards:**

1. **W.O. 10-19 Shiloh Conservation Area Wetland Plant Procurement.** (Opened 2/26/2013) **Schedule I:** Recommend The Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribal Forestry; \$98,300. **Schedule II:** Recommend Westscape Wholesale Nursery; \$6,350. **APPROVED**

2. **W.O. 12-44 WTP High Service Pump Station H2-3 Pump Replacement.** (Opened 2/26/13) Recommend Star Service; \$757,021. **APPROVED**

3. **Correction of Award for Two (2) - 2013 37,000 GVW Axle Trucks with Dump/Sander Spreaders.** (Opened 1/29/2013). Recommend I-State, \$291,110 (includes two (2) \$2,585 5-year warranties). **APPROVED**

B. Approval of the lease for real property for the Miller Building, located at 2825 3rd Avenue North, for the Planning, Building, Code Enforcement and Community Services Departments **and Commitment** to an annual City general fund transfer for the Community Development Division. **APPROVED 8 TO 2. CM CIMMINO AND CM RONQUILLO VOTED IN OPPOSITION.**

C. Empire Parking Garage

1. **Empire Garage Materials Testing Services Agreement** with Tetra Tech, Inc.; estimated maximum price, \$75,700. **APPROVED**

2. **Approval** authorizing the City Administrator to sign the Empire Parking Garage parking unit purchase agreements and all subsequent documents necessary to transfer the units. **APPROVED**

D. Acknowledging Receipt of Petition to Annex #13-02: one parcel totalling approximately 64 acres, generally located on the west side of Mullowney Lane just south of the Southern Empire Emporium Restaurant and addressed as 1228 and 1236 Mullowney Lane; Elizabeth Zeiler, owner and petitioner, and setting a public hearing date for 3/25/13. **APPROVED**

E. Resolution of Intent #13-19249 to construct W.O. 13-02, Miscellaneous and Developer Related Improvements, (curb, gutter, and sidewalks) at various locations in the City, and setting a public hearing date for 4/8/13. **APPROVED**

F. Resolution #13-19250 fixing the form and terms of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) Series 2013 bond for the construction of a sanitary sewer lift station in Billings Heights. **APPROVED**

G. Second/Final Reading Ordinance #13-5594 amending text to Section 2-207, of the Billings, Montana, City Code providing that the Office of Mayor or Councilmember shall be forfeited under certain circumstances. **APPROVED**

H. **Second/Final Reading Ordinance #13-5595** establishing new boundaries for the City of Billings five election wards. **APPROVED**

I. **Bills and Payroll:**

1. **February 4, 2013**
2. **February 11, 2013**
3. **February 19, 2013**

APPROVED 8 TO 0. CM CIMMINO AND CM CROMLEY ABSTAINED.

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. FY 2014 GENERAL FUND AND PUBLIC SAFETY BUDGET DISCUSSION.

Staff recommends City Council answer the six questions listed in the Problem/Issue Statement and allow staff to proceed to the annual budget presentation on May 6 while using Priority Based Budgeting as Council directs. (Action: approval or disapproval of staff recommendation.) **STAFF DIRECTED TO CONTINUE PROVIDING ADDITIONAL BUDGET INFORMATION TO COUNCIL.**

PUBLIC COMMENT on Non-Agenda Items -- Speaker Sign-in required. (*Restricted to ONLY items not on this printed agenda. Comments here are limited to 3 minutes. Please sign in at the cart located at the back of the council chambers or at the podium.*)

The public comment period was opened. There were no speakers, and the public comment period was closed.

COUNCIL INITIATIVES

- **CIMMINO:** Moved to plan a City Council retreat to discuss the budget after staff's May 6, 2013, presentation, seconded by Councilmember Bird. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN: 10:13 p.m.

Additional information on any of these items is available in the City Clerk's Office.

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