

COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

CITY OF BILLINGS

CITY OF BILLINGS VISION STATEMENT:

“THE MAGIC CITY: A DIVERSE, WELCOMING COMMUNITY WHERE PEOPLE PROSPER AND BUSINESS SUCCEEDS.”

AGENDA

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

April 8, 2019

5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Cole

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Cole

INVOCATION: Councilmember Gibbs

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers present on roll call were: Cromley, Yakawich, Neese, Ewalt, Joy, Friedel, Gibbs, Ronning, Clark, Brown

MINUTES: March 25, 2019 - **APPROVED**

COURTESIES:

- Councilmember Ronning thanked all the supporters who had participated in the Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women's (MMIW) march from Montana State University - Billings to Yellowstone County Courthouse.
- Council welcomed Boy Scout, Holden Perkins from Troop 23, who was working on his Communications Merit Badge.

PROCLAMATIONS:

- Crime Victims' Rights Week - April 7-13, 2019
- World Sarcoidosis Awareness Day - April 13, 2019
- National Public Safety Tele-Communicator's Week - April 15-19, 2019

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - CHRIS KUKULSKI

- Reminded Council the agenda had been revised to add Regular Agenda Item 3, Resolution for Emergency Procurement of ditch piping at BOC.

PUBLIC COMMENT on “NON-PUBLIC HEARING” Agenda Items: 1, 2 and 3 ONLY.
Speaker sign-in required. (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. 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.)

- **Kevin Nelson, 4235 Bruce Avenue, Billings, Montana:** in reference to Item 1B, stated there had been previous discussions regarding King Avenue East and Hallowell Lane storm sewer issues. He asked Council to direct staff to have the Hallowell Lane issues completed with Item 1B, Work Order 19-22.

1. **CONSENT AGENDA** -- Separations: 1B, 1D, 1H1 and 1H2

A. **Bid Awards:**

1. **Water Treatment Plant Chemicals.** (Opened 3/26/19) Recommend Hawkins, Inc.; railcar price of \$0.42/lb. **APPROVED**

- B. **Professional Services Contract** for W.O. 19-22, King Avenue East, Orchard Lane to Jackson Street Reconstruction Project; Sanderson Stewart; \$489,550. **APPROVED**

- C. **Professional Services Contract** for W.O. 19-19, Landfill Cell 3 Partial Closure; Great West Engineering; \$107,500. **APPROVED**

- D. **Subdivision Improvement Agreement Amendment**, Annafeld Subdivision, 1st Filing. **AMENDED TO ADD HARMONY MEADOWS SUBDIVISION REFERENCE - APPROVED**

- E. **Water Line Construction and Maintenance Easement Agreement** with MC Real Estate Holdings, Inc., for W.O. 17-05, Monad Road and Daniel Street Traffic Signal Improvements. **APPROVED**

- F. **Water Line Construction and Maintenance Easement Agreement** with Wymont for W.O. 17-05, Monad Road and Daniel Street Traffic Signal Improvements. **APPROVED**

- G. **Right-of-Way Agreement and Quit Claim Deed** with Wymont for W.O.17-05, Monad Road and Daniel Street Traffic Signal Improvements. **APPROVED**

H. **Bills:**

1. March 11, 2019 **APPROVED 9-0, NEESE AND BROWN ABSTAINED**
2. March 18, 2019 **APPROVED 9-0, NEESE AND BROWN ABSTAINED**

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. **CODERED EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS SYSTEM.** No action required.
3. **RESOLUTION 19-10787** an emergency procurement of ditch piping at Billings Operations Center (BOC). Staff recommends approval. (Action: approval or disapproval of staff recommendation.) **APPROVED**

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. Please sign the roster at the cart located at the back of the Council chambers or at the podium.)

- **Kevin Nelson, 4235 Bruce Avenue, Billings, Montana:** stated Ace Hardware was selling the property that had recently been purchased with TIF Funding. He added that the City had given money to Ace Hardware for demolition of the property and they should not be making a profit off taxpayers money.
- **Joe Holden, 316 North 26th Street, Billings, Montana:** gave an update on the status of the Stillwater Building. He stated the concrete was being poured in the parking garage, and the elevator had been delivered. He added that the parking garage would be accessible through an app that would allow a more convenient parking experience.
- **Chuck Barrett, 314 Calhoun Lane, Billings, Montana:** in reference to Item 3, stated that the ditch would be responsible for bringing water to Amend Park and several other businesses, therefore, it was imperative the construction not affect the flow.

COUNCIL INITIATIVES:

- Councilmember Cromley directed staff to begin the process of increasing Councilmember compensation from \$600 to \$1,000 per month, and Mayor compensation from \$800 to \$2,000 per month, seconded by Councilmember Brown. **APPROVED 10-1, FRIEDEL OPPOSED**

ADJOURN: 7:31 pm