



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

## COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY AGENDA

February 8, 2021

5:30 P.M.

**Council Chambers are Closed.**  
The meeting will be held  
remotely via virtual meeting  
room. Please see coversheet for  
details and instructions for  
viewing and participation.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Cole

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Cole

**INVOCATION:** Councilmember Yakawich

**ROLL CALL:** Councilmembers present on roll call were:  Shaw,  Yakawich,  Neese,  
 Ewalt,  Joy,  Choriki,  Purinton,  Ronning,  Boyett,  Brown

**COVID-19 Update by Joint Information Center - Melanie Schwarz, BSED**

### MINUTES:

- December 14, 2020 - **APPROVED AS AMENDED**
- January 11, 2021 - **APPROVED**
- January 25, 2021 - **APPROVED**

### COURTESIES:

- Mayor Cole stated the weather forecast showed very cold temperatures and reminded the public that shelters and transportation were available to the homeless.
- Councilmember Neese thanked the Heights Optimist Club for their recent donation of \$3,500 to the Parks Department.

### PROCLAMATIONS:

- None

### COUNCIL REPORTS:

- Councilmember Joy stated the Community Development Board (CDB) was deliberating how to spend the CARES Act funding, as there were restrictions on how the funds could be spent.

### ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - CHRIS KUKULSKI

- Stated Gina Dahl, Assistant City Attorney, had been hired as the new City Attorney.
- Stated a Fire engine had been in an accident. He added none of the firefighters had sustained any long term injuries and the truck replacement discussion would happen within the next few weeks.
- Noted staff was trying to arrange a Council photo for Monday evening.

- Stated there were no hearings scheduled for the current week and gave a brief Legislative update.
- Stated in regard to Consent Agenda Item 1A1, the City had been in communication with the Heights Water District attorney regarding the City's appointment and recommended Council should proceed with their appointment.
- Stated in regard to Consent Agenda Item 1D, Mike Mayott, was in attendance to give an overview of some highlights from the Amend Park Development Council.

**PUBLIC COMMENT on “NON-PUBLIC HEARING” Agenda Items: 1 ONLY. Speaker sign-in required.** (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes or as set by the Mayor. During COVID-19, the method to take and hear public comment has changed. Individuals wishing to give public comment will call a dedicated phone line (237.6196) and held in queue until it is their turn to comment. 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: 1B2, 1C, 1G, 1O1

A. **Mayor Cole recommends that Council confirm the following appointments:**

1.	Name	Board/Commission	Term	
			Begins	Ends
1	Jeff Engel	County Water District of Billings Heights	02/08/21	12/31/24

**APPROVED**

B. **Bid Awards:**

1. **W.O. 19-21: WRF Influent Lift Station Project.** (Opened 12/15/20) Recommend RSCI; Schedule 1 only; \$5,291,000. **APPROVED**
2. **W.O. 20-02: Missing Sidewalk/Miscellaneous.** (Opened 1/26/21) Recommend Riverside Contracting, Inc.; \$628,902.50. **APPROVED 9-0, NEESE ABSTAINED**
3. **Rimtop Drive Overlay Project.** (Opened 1/26/21) Recommend FirstMark Construction; \$109,243. **APPROVED**

C. **Downtown Billings Traffic Study Alternative Prioritization and Public Preference Plan. APPROVED 8-2, NEESE AND EWALT OPPOSED**

D. **Amend Park Development Council (APDC) 2021 proposed annual budget and fee structure. APPROVED**

E. **Recommendation of approval** to the Policy Coordinating Committee for Amendment I of the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). **APPROVED**

F. **Amendment No. 1, W.O. 20-33: Public Works GIS Services, Professional Services Contract, HDR Engineering, Inc.; \$829,307. APPROVED**

- G. **Amendment** to BUFSA Agreement funding formula. **APPROVED 9-1, EWALT OPPOSED**
- H. **Amendment No. 2** to 2018 Long Range Transportation Plan. **APPROVED**
- I. **Grant Application Request** to submit FY21-FY22, Montana State Historic Preservation Office Certified Local Government (CLG) grant application; \$6,000. **APPROVED**
- J. **Donation** to the Public Library for mobile hotspots and data plans from the Billings Library Foundation; \$7,000. **APPROVED**
- K. **Donation** to Police Department for a Traeger Pro 34 from King's Ace Hardware; \$699. **APPROVED**
- L. **Final Plat** of Descro Subdivision, 7th Filing. **APPROVED**
- M. **Resolution of Intent 21-10924** to create SILMD 330 and amend SILMD 280 and set a public hearing date of March 08, 2021. **APPROVED**
- N. **Resolution 21-10925** authorizing the use of alternative project delivery for West End water projects. **APPROVED**
- O. **Bills for the Weeks of:**
  - 1. January 4, 2021 **APPROVED 9-0, BROWN ABSTAINED**
  - 2. January 11, 2021 **APPROVED**

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

- 2. **PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING ORDINANCE** approving BMCC, Section 26-800, Dental Amalgam. Staff recommends approval. (Action: approval or disapproval of staff recommendation.) **APPROVED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT on “NON-AGENDA ITEMS”.** **Speaker Sign-in required.** (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes or as set by the Mayor. During COVID-19, the method to take and hear public comment has changed. Individuals wishing to give public comment will call a dedicated phone line (237.6196) and held in queue until it is their turn to comment.)

**COUNCIL INITIATIVES:**

None

**ADJOURN:** 7:16 pm