

COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

CITY OF BILLINGS

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

AGENDA

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

December 19, 2011

6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Hanel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Hanel

INVOCATION: Councilmember Gaghen

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers present on roll call were: Ronquillo, Gaghen, Pitman, Cimmino, McFadden, Ruegamer, McCall, Ulledalen, and Clark. Councilmember Astle was excused.

MINUTES:

- November 28, 2011 **APPROVED**
- December 12, 2011, pending

COURTESIES:

- Councilmember Ruegamer presented Mayor Hanel with a water pitcher he felt was “more elegant” than the plastic pitcher currently being used.
- Councilmember Ulledalen acknowledged the fact that the inserts regarding the distracted driving ordinance were finally in the water bills for December.
- Mayor Hanel presented outgoing Councilmembers Gaghen, Ruegamer, and Clark with plaques on behalf of the City of Billings and thanked them for their service.
- Mayor Hanel thanked the Salvation Army for their kettle bell ringers and the Marines for their Toys for Tots Program and the community for their contributions to both causes.
- City Administrator Volek thanked Councilmembers Gaghen, Ruegamer, and Clark for their service on the Council the past eight years and their many contributions to the City of Billings.

PROCLAMATIONS: None

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - TINA VOLEK

City Administrator Volek commented on the following items.

- **Item 1A1 - Bid Award for Hybrid Diesel-Electric Bookmobile.** Per the staff report, a recommendation was to be made at the meeting. She said a memo from Bill Cochran, Library Director, recommending bid award to OBS, Inc. for \$278,630 was on Council's desks. She noted a copy was filed in the ex-parte notebook.
- **Item 2 – Public Hearing and Resolution Creating a City-Wide park District.** As of 5:00 that day, 67 e-mails had been sent to Mayor and Council in favor of creation of the district, 70 e-mails had been sent to Mayor and Council in opposition of the creation of the district, and 8 protest letters had been received after the protest deadline of 5:00 p.m. on December 16th. She noted copies were filed in the ex-parte notebook. She said 4,619 valid protests had been received, for a taxable valuation percentage of 8.54.

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

Speaker sign-in required. (Comments offered here are limited to one (1) minute. Please sign up on the clipboard located 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.)

1. CONSENT AGENDA -- Separations: 1A1

A. Bid Awards:

1. Hybrid Diesel-Electric Bookmobile. (Opened 12/13/2011) Recommendation to be made at meeting. **Approval of bid award to OBS, Inc. in the amount of \$278,630.**

2. Concessionaire to Operate a Public Parking Concession at Billings Logan International Airport. (Opened 12/06/2011) (Delayed from 12/12/2011)
Recommend Standard Parking for a five-year contract (1/2/2012 - 1/1/2017). **Approved**

B. Change Order #2 - Naval Reserve Demolition, CTA Architects and Engineers, \$3,000. **Approved**

C. Contract with Center for Priority Based Budgeting to conduct a priority-based budgeting process for the City of Billings; \$38,000, plus travel expenses. **Approved**

D. Agreement with Billings Housing Authority to fund one Police Officer; 1/1/2012 through 6/30/2012. **Approved**

E. Agreement transferring ownership, maintenance, and operation of 12-inch water line located in Riverside Road from State Avenue to King Avenue East and in King

Avenue East from Riverside Road to east of the Yellowstone County Detention Facility; 8-inch water line located in King Avenue East from Riverside Road west to near the Yegen Drain; and 10-inch sanitary sewer line along King Avenue East to the southeast corner of the Yellowstone County Detention Facility from Yellowstone County to the City of Billings. Transfer includes \$25,500 operation and maintenance fund from the County to the City. **Approved**

F. Confirmation of Probationary Police Officers Clint Anglin and Benjamin Beck. Approved

G. Subordination of Housing Rehabilitation Loan for Julie Ann Galles, \$20,000. **Approved**

H. Subordination of Housing Rehabilitation Loan for Linda K. Wetzel, \$20,000. **Approved**

I. Approval of extension of preliminary plat approval date for three years for Golden Acres Subdivision; setting a new expiration date of February 23, 2015. **Approved**

J. Final Plat Approval

1. Sunny Cove Fruit Farms, Amended Lot 6A **Approved**
2. Sheldon Wolf Subdivision **Approved**

K. Bills and Payroll:

1. November 28, 2011 **Approved**

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION #11-19130 creating a city-wide park district. Staff recommends approval. (Action: approval or disapproval of staff recommendation.) **Approved 7 to 3. Councilmembers Ronquillo, Gaghen, Ruegamer, McCall, Ulledalen, Clark and Mayor Hanel voted in favor. Councilmembers Pitman, Cimmino, and McFadden voted in opposition.**

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 up on the clipboard located at the podium.*)

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

COUNCIL INITIATIVES: None

ADJOURN: 11:33 p.m.