

Council Committee

(Name of Committee)

DATE: February 1, 2024
TIME: 4:00pm
PLACE: City Hall Conference Room

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor/Council: Mayor Cole, CM Boyett, CM Shaw

Staff: Chris Kukulski, Kevin Iffland

ADJOURN TIME: PM 6:01

Agenda

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM:

TOPIC #1	Discussion concerning proposal to purchase city hall and surface parking lots
PRESENTER	Kevin Iffland
NOTES/OUTCOME	After much discussion it was decided to put this item on the Feb 26 th council agenda. The PSA will be sent to all council members so that they will have time to review the Purchase and Sale Agreement from the buyer's team. We also thought it would be an appropriate time to have the TIF request of the PSA on this same agenda.

- Public Comment: No public comment

TOPIC #2	Finalize draft resolution and ballot language for Local Government Review Commission and recommendation to city council
PRESENTER	Committee
NOTES/OUTCOME	<p>The committee will recommend to the city council that the number of members on the Local Government Review Commission be 7.</p> <p>The committee will also recommend a budget of up to \$200,000 be placed on the ballot.</p> <p>This number of people and the budget was arrived at by looking at other cities in Montana and what they had proposed over many years for their similar city commissions.</p>

- **Public Comment: No public comment**

TOPIC #3	Discussion concerning possible policy for allocation discretionary city council expense accounts.
PRESENTER	Committee
NOTES/OUTCOME	<p>The mayor thought that we the council should have a policy in place concerning the city council expense fund. Currently the fund is \$13,500 or \$1,350 per council person. The mayor is not included in this budget as he has one set aside for the mayor himself. This money has not been used on a regular basis and a discussion on how council members can access the money took place. One thought would be to give each council member a card with a fixed amount (perhaps \$500) and ask that if it is used that the council member be required to return all receipts. The mayor also thought that this budget could be raised to \$15,000 or \$1,500 for each council member. This fund could be used for travel, training, constituent meetings etc. The mayor showed the committee a city of Billings Travel Procedure Guide that could be given to each council member.</p> <p>The committee thought that this issue would be a good topic for a future meeting and no conclusions were arrived at.</p>

- **Public Comment: No public comment**

TOPIC #4	
PRESENTER	
NOTES/OUTCOME	

- **Public Comment:**

TOPIC #5	
PRESENTER	
NOTES/OUTCOME	

- **Public Comment:**