

BILLINGS CITY COUNCIL
Budget Committee Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2024
Conference Room, First Floor, City Hall

CM: Gulick, Aspenlieder, Kennedy, Owen, Rupsis
Staff: Kukulski, Iffland, Zoeller
Public/Guest:

Call to Order (9:00 AM)

Approval of March Meeting Minutes (0:00:25)

Discussion: Minutes reviewed and discussed

Motion / Second: Owen / Aspenlieder
Vote: All in favor

Public Comment (0:00:45)

No public comment

Topic #1 - Budget Process - Debrief on FY25 process (0:01:00)

Discussion:

Staff's outline for discussion...

- 1) What did you find most useful?
- 2) What outcomes are you looking for?
- 3) What should be the major areas of focus?
- 4) The further we are ahead of July 1, the less precise we are in our estimates.
- 5) Audit process runs from August to December/January.
- 6) CIP process runs from August to November

CMs shared their individual thoughts and concerns.

Request to include conversation about what a line item budget would look like in a future Budget Committee meeting. Request for clarity on Budget Committee's role in development of CIP. Staff to discuss today's conversation and provide feedback and other ideas on next Budget Committee's agenda. Need to have allocation of state entitlement money on a future agenda.

Topic #2 - City's process for establishing salaries (1:06:30)

Discussion: Chris presented history of existing pay system structure and process.

Future Agenda Items & Meeting Schedule (1:55:40)

Next meeting on August 14

Agenda items: Continuation of budget process discussion, line item budget, appraised values, Q4 quarterly / FY24 year-end budget report

Future: State entitlement funds

Adjourned at 11:00 AM (2:00:10)