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City Finance Division Earns Two Awards for Excellence

The City of Billings would like to congratulate the City's Finance Division for receiving, for the 24th consecutive year, the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting and, for the 18th consecutive year, the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

The first award was given for the fiscal year 2009 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA). The

Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition for excellence in state and local government financial reporting. To receive a Certificate of Achievement, a government entity must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements. The GFOA has a 43-page checklist, containing approximately 800 questions, which

serves as the guide for preparing the report.

The second award was given by the GFOA for the fiscal year 2010 Annual Budget. The award reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. To receive the budget award, the City had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. Budget documents must be rated "proficient" in all four categories

to receive the award. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as:

- A policy document
- A financial plan
- An operations guide
- A communications device

The Finance Division works as a team to produce an award-winning CAFR and Annual Budget. The team is made up of many different players with varied job duties, including accounting, tax, debt and

investment recording, publishing and supervision.

Thanks to the Finance team for once again receiving an unqualified audit opinion and the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting awarded by the GFOA for the fiscal year 2009 CAFR and the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for fiscal year 2010 Annual Budget. Thanks are also extended to the other City Departments/Divisions for their help in both processes.

Quick Reponse Vehicles

The City of Billings Fire Department will soon take possession of two Quick Response Vehicles (QRVs). These emergency response vehicles are specifically designed to respond to medical emergencies and grass and vehicle fires, as well as car accidents. The QRVs will carry up to 300 gallons of water and have the ability to mix foam with the water for situations such as fuel spills. The new trucks will be located at fire stations No. 3 at 1928 17th Street and No. 5 at

605 South 24th Street West. The QRVs will not take the place of the full-size fire engines at these locations, but will be used for the majority of alarms which are related to medical emergencies.

Part of the cost of these vehicles is being paid for by extending the life of the full-size fire engines and by reducing the maintenance and repair associated with the larger fire engines. Although significantly smaller than a fire engine, the QRVs carry their own water supply, can be operated off road, have air packs and have a full assortment of medical equipment.

Because 70 percent of the an-

nual alarms are related to medical calls and approximately 1 percent are related to structure fires, the QRV concept is a creative and valid approach to providing quality service in a safe and economical manner.

Fall Fire Safety Tips:

For many Montana folks it has been too short a summer and we find ourselves heading into the fall and winter months. The change in seasons also brings the need to take some proactive steps to get property ready for colder temperatures and to renew a commitment to personal safety.

One of the biggest changes is the use of furnaces and space heaters during the colder months. It's always a good idea to have a qualified professional inspect your furnace. Some basic things are to check the condition of the air filter and remove any combustible items that may be stored too close to the furnace.

Space heaters are often a welcome addition to helping to heat your home. These appliances bring with them some special safety concerns. Space heaters are a significant hazard, especially to young children. Safety features such as a warning light and an automatic shut off should

be in good working order. Set these supplemental heaters in a place that is at least three feet away from any combustible materials.

The best all-year fire safety tip is to make sure there is at least one smoke detector on each level of your residence and one carbon monoxide detector centrally located. Even small fires produce a large amount of deadly carbon monoxide. The smoke detector will recognize small amounts of smoke, and the carbon monoxide detector will continuously monitor the CO level in your home all year round.

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New Mill Levy for City Planning

On Aug. 9 the City Council approved the first reading of a resolution to amend the City Charter creating a permanent mill levy to fund the City Planning Division. The 1-mill levy would bring in approximately \$158,912 in 2011.

As a result of this tax levy, the 2011 property tax on a \$100,000 home is estimated to increase by not more than \$1.75, and not more than \$3.50 on a \$200,000 home. The purpose of the mill levy is to fund additional City-only planning for future growth and development and provide access to more Federal Transportation Planning funds.

When Yellowstone County established

a 1-mill levy for the City-County Planning Department in 1984, the population was 66,000. Twenty-six years later, the mill levy has increased only .28 mills, but the population has increased by 40,000 and the urban area expanded by 20 square miles.

Today, City-County Planning is funded by a federal transportation planning grant, development permit and application fees, and the County-wide mill levy. The fees and the mill levy constitute the local match required to access the federal transportation planning grant.

By federal and state apportionment, the Billings Metropolitan Planning Organiza-

tion (MPO) may receive up to \$1.2 million annually in planning grant funds. About \$2 million in federal funds has been unspent in the last four years because local matching funds were not available. One dollar of local funds leverages approximately \$0.50 of federal funds (see Chart 1 below).

How would the additional funds be used? The City-only planning mill levy would allow the Planning Division to retain its Alternative Modes Coordinator position. This position has been instrumental in bringing in millions of dollars in grants for pedestrian and bicycle facilities. Funding for this position is now in jeop-

ardy because 50 percent of the cost must come from local sources.

The mill levy could also support a long-range planner position to develop and implement land use plans for existing and expanding neighborhoods and urban renewal districts. This position would allow current staff to focus on current planning issues such as zoning, subdivision and permit applications.

Approximately 70 percent of the money for this position must be paid for with local funds. Over time, it is possible that staff positions could be further supported or expanded by using the new mill levy to match federal funds (see Chart 2 below).

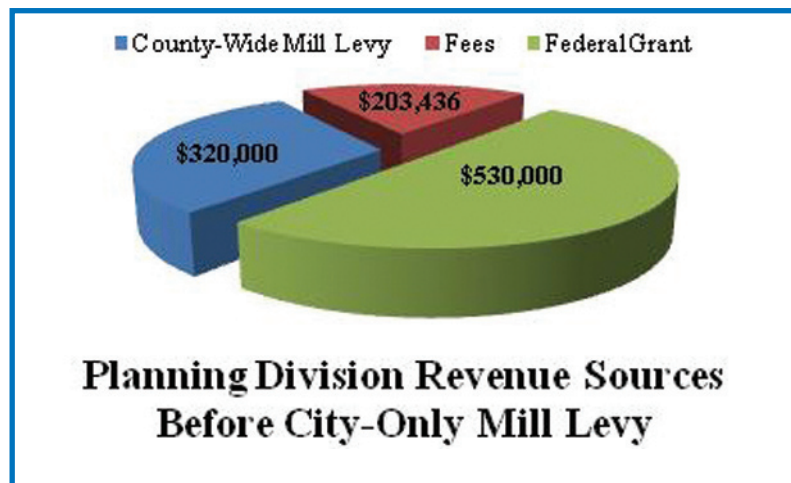


CHART 1

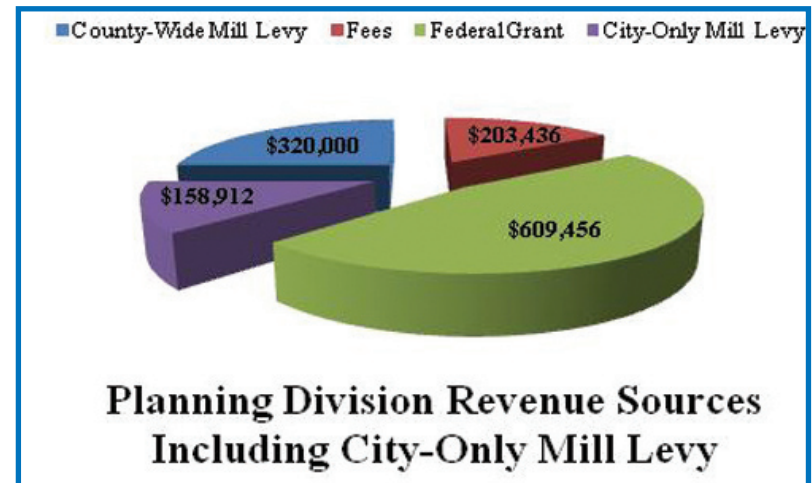


CHART 2

The Value of Planning

Community planning is essential as Billings continues to grow in population and size.

Of the many challenges the community faces is the constant struggle to provide cost-effective services while enhancing the quality of life. Through planning, the City can assess and prepare for the impacts of growth, minimize future cost to taxpayers, and provide services and amenities the community needs.

This may seem like a tall order, but consider the recent improvements to the Billings transporta-

tion system, including Shiloh Road, Airport Road, and 32nd Street West. These are examples of how advanced planning identified the improvements to these routes and prepared, through zoning, what uses may occur along these new roads.

Another example of successful community planning is the creation of urban renewal districts. These districts were created and planned to invest tax dollars in underutilized areas to promote economic development.

The First Interstate Bank Opera-

tions Center and Cabela's are businesses that were attracted to new urban renewal districts because of advanced planning. It is said that money follows plans because businesses are confident the necessary services are, or will be, provided.

The Planning Division often takes the lead, or plays a strong supporting role in, coordinating with other City Departments and outside agencies to identify, assess, and implement strategies to deal with the expanding economy, transportation systems, and land uses.

The local economy has slowed

significantly in the last two years, placing a financial burden on the residents, businesses, and City government alike. This slow down actually presents a great opportunity to plan, enabling the City to get out in front of the next wave of development and growth.

Because of recent staff layoffs however, the Planning Division is struggling to meet even current customer needs. With a relatively small investment, community planning would return enhanced property values, efficient infrastructure, and improved quality of life.

City Auction - Please Note!

The City will not be holding its annual surplus auction, but instead will be disposing of surplus items on an as-needed basis through local auction houses, donations, or otherwise. Please contact Liz Kampa-Weatherwax, Purchasing Agent, for more information at (406) 657-8216 or via email at kampal@ci.billings.mt.us. Thank you!

Q&A FROM OUR READERS

Questions and comments from Jerrold Butsch of Billings:

I like the CityLink and find it informative and helpful. I don't like to honk the same horn, but as I left town yesterday with my boat in tow, I wound up taking the Gabel Road cut-across to our new Shiloh exit. What a joke! It's not at all comfortable towing something and going through all the utility tie-ins on this road. Everything has settled and caused a major dip in the road surface. You should be well aware that the road bed has settled. This is an area with a high water table. Why aren't inspectors catching this as it happens? They had the excavated matter still stacked on-site, but it was nothing but mud. I don't know if City staff needs a refresher course in how to backfill a wet hole, but why let this go on and on, over again on every cut in this street? This is not a way to greet a new tourist to our city.

Answers:

Gabel Road between South 32nd Street West and Hesper Road was constructed in year 2000. Since then, the road

has experienced abnormal settling and has been cut and patched many times. The City has worked hard since then to increase inspection efforts both on private contracts by developers and public projects administered by the City. This includes more inspection and testing during construction. It is anticipated that the settlement in Gabel Road would be avoided with the construction of future roads. Within the next couple of years, the City will be resurfacing Gabel Road which will fix the settlement in the road.

Comments and questions from an anonymous Billings reader:

I like the construction on roads information and updates on City plans, etc. I would like to see information or procedures if someone sprays graffiti on our buildings. What do we do and who do we contact?

Answer:

The best action you can take is to call the non-emergency number for Police at (406) 657-8200 or the Crime Prevention Center at (406)

247-8590 and report the graffiti. The Crime Prevention Center will respond to photograph the graffiti. This will help them determine if the graffiti/vandalism is related to similar vandalism or gang-related activity in the area. If you notice someone in the act of spray painting graffiti, call the non-emergency number – (406) 657-8200. It can be difficult to catch graffiti vandals in the act. After the police have photographed the graffiti, the City strives to ensure that it is painted over or removed as soon as possible. This will deter further vandalism. If you do not remove or paint over graffiti on private property, you may receive a notice from Code Enforcement to do so within 10 days. If you are the victim of graffiti vandalism, several local businesses offer discounts on paint and paint supplies. Those businesses are King's Ace Hardware, Columbia Paint, Billings Hardware and Home Depot. Please bring a copy of your notice from Code Enforcement or your Police Department C&O number.

Thanks for reading the CityLink and for sending in your great suggestions and comments!

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Please provide us with input for our next newsletter.

What did you like most about the newsletter?

What would you like to see in upcoming newsletters?

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Diagonals at Dehler



The Parking Division has contracted with Sanderson Stewart to convert the parallel parking around Dehler Park into diagonal parking. This was initiated by the Parking Advisory Board as an effort to maximize the parking on 10th Ave. N., N. 25th St., and 9th Ave. N.

Sanderson Stewart presented a design that would increase parking from the current 74 parallel spaces (calculated assuming all cars park

dividual spaces or 39 percent. 117 individual spaces, which is an increase of 58 percent.

Recently, the plans were revised due to a bike lane already designated for 9th Avenue North near Dehler Park. Therefore, parallel parking will remain in order to preserve the possibility of this bike lane. Diagonal parking on the north and east sides of the ballpark will still increase the parking to 103 in-

dividual spaces or 39 percent. Dehler Park does not have enough parking spaces in the lot located on the east side of the park. This has caused many baseball fans to have to park throughout the neighboring residential area and walk a long way to get to the front gate. Diagonal parking around Dehler Park can be done fairly quickly and inexpensively. The initial estimate is about \$15,000.

News From Billings Parks, Recreation and Public Lands Department

Fall Recreation Classes Offered

The Billings Parks, Recreation and Public Lands Department has announced the schedule for fall recreation classes.

For more information regarding any of the classes listed below, or to register, please visit the Billings Parks and Recreation office at 390 N. 23rd St., or on-line at www.prpl.info. Registrations cannot be made over the telephone.

- Adult Co-ed 9x9 Soccer
- Adult Co-ed 6x6 Volleyball
- 4th, 5th, and 6th Grade Girls Volleyball
- Beginning Belly Dance Classes: Include basic belly dance moves and simple choreography to learn transitions from one move to another.
- Balls & Bands Class: A fun and invigorating full body toning class using stability balls and resistance bands. A great way to improve core strength and tone without bulking.
- Nia: A unique combination of dance, martial arts and yoga that really lets you enjoy moving to music. The low impact exercise tones, strengthens and improves your range of motion, as well as alleviates stress and core tension.
- Sculpt Tone & Stretch: A personal-type training using resistance and upbeat music for those who want to start a workout program that will help them to look and feel better.

- Pilates Plus: A Mat Pilates and weight-bearing exercise class to increase both muscle and bone health. This is a combination class to increase overall strength, flexibility and balance, as well as to decrease stress. All levels are welcome. Modifications are always provided for any limitations or rehab needs.

- Zumba Classes: Combines high energy and motivating Latin and International music with unique moves and combinations that allow you to dance away your worries and calories.

- Exploring the Billings Trail System: Explore eight trail areas which include: the Big Ditch Trail Area (between 32nd & 38th St. W.), Rehberg Ranch Trail, the Rims Trail, the Bench Boulevard/Two Moon Park Trail, and two new west end areas.

- Beginning Knitting: For those who have never held a knitting needle—learn all the basics and how to read and understand a pattern.

- Beginning Crocheting: For those new to crocheting or with some experience. Each student is individually assisted to learn the basics, with an emphasis on understanding patterns.

- Senior Tai Chi: Focused on improving balance and core strength for older adults.

1st Annual "Dash for Dog Parks Run"

The first annual "Dash for

Dog Parks Run" was a great success! Over 140 participants, along with 94 tail-wagging companions, braved the cold, wind, and rain to run a 2k or 5k course on Saturday, Aug. 14, which began at Skyview High School and ended at High Sierra Park.

Several participants came from around the state, as well as two individuals who came all the way from Victor, ID. Winners of the 5k and 2k were given brass dog paw medals presented by Mayor Tom Hanel. Participants and spectators had a chance to win one of the 50 prizes donated by area businesses, including a gift basket from Gainans and a gift card from Cabelas. Also at the day's event were several local vendors, including the Billings Animal Shelter, Bark Busters, and Billings Deaconess Clinic demonstrating CPR on pets.

This year's dog run would not have been a success without the help of the Parks and Recreation Staff, Dog Park Committee, staff from the Shiloh, Moore Lane and Skyview Veterinary Clinics, Councilman Denis Pitman, news anchor Jon Arneson, weatherman Ed McIntosh, local sponsors, businesses, media, and community volunteers. With their help, the first annual Dog Run raised over \$8,000 in sponsorships, fees, and donations that will go towards the \$120,000 needed to develop the first dog park at High Sierra Park.

The Dog Park Committee is already making plans for next year's dog run. Committee members hope to make it an annual event to raise funds to build and maintain future

dog parks. Anyone interested in next year's dog run, or in making a donation to the dog park project, should visit www.billingsdogparks.com or call Mark Jarvis at (406) 657-8367.

Bob Dylan / John Mellencamp Concert

On Wednesday, Aug. 11, the City of Billings hosted a party for 8,000 people. The Bob Dylan / John Mellencamp concert brought people from all over the region to Dehler Park for an evening of music and fun.

By all accounts, this first big non-baseball event at Dehler Park was a huge success for the community. Putting on a concert of that magnitude is a huge undertaking.

While the City of Billings Parks, Recreation and Public Lands Department took the lead in organizing the event, many people from other City of Billings Departments provided tremendous help and support

in the concert logistics. The Facilities Management staff took care of restrooms and assisted with cleanup after the event. The Solid Waste Division assisted with trash management and disposal. The Police Department managed vehicle and pedestrian traffic and generally kept everyone safe. The Fire Department assisted with evacuation planning in the event of an emergency and the Finance and Legal Departments handled all financial, contractual, and legal issues.

Many other City personnel assisted with a variety of things which always arise with an event with such a high profile. Don Sullivan, the producer of the concert for Jam Productions, said that Dehler Park and the setting with the Rimrocks in the background is one of the best venues anywhere in the country where they have staged a concert.

Based on the success of this first outdoor concert at Dehler Park, Billings may expect more in the future.



9-1-1 Communications Center

The Billings City/County 9-1-1 Center has outgrown its building and is looking at locations for a new communications facility that will serve the current and future needs of Billings and Yellowstone County residents.

The current 9-1-1 Center was constructed in the late 1970s to put City police and fire dispatch consoles under the same roof with newly available 9-1-1 telephone services. In 1985, the City of Billings and Yellowstone County entered into a partnership to provide county-wide 9-1-1 and dispatch services to local public safety agencies.

The consolidation of City and County communications not only enhanced emergency response, it allowed a pooling of money and resources to install and maintain rapidly evolving 9-1-1 technologies. However, after three decades of growth in staffing and technology, it is time to move forward with the long-term plan of relocating and expanding the 9-1-1 facility, while maintaining the current site as a back-up 9-1-1 Center.

The North Park Naval Reserve Center has been identified as a prime

location for a new 9-1-1 Center. Although other sites are also being evaluated, the North Park location provides easy access to infrastructure already in place in the existing 9-1-1 Center.

The City received a federal grant to abate asbestos and demolish the Naval Reserve Center. If built in this location, a new 9-1-1 Center would be designed to resolve the safety, security and flooding vulnerabilities of the current 9-1-1 Center and to provide the space necessary to meet the needs of the community well into the future.

INTERESTING FACTS:

- In 2009, the Billings City/County 9-1-1 Center handled over 54,000 9-1-1 calls and processed over 232,000 non-emergency and other telephone calls.
- At least three radio dispatchers and two 9-1-1 operators are on duty 24-hours a day.
- On the day the tornado struck the Heights, the 9-1-1 Center received an average of 210 calls per hour for 4 straight hours.

Downtown Library Site Survey Released

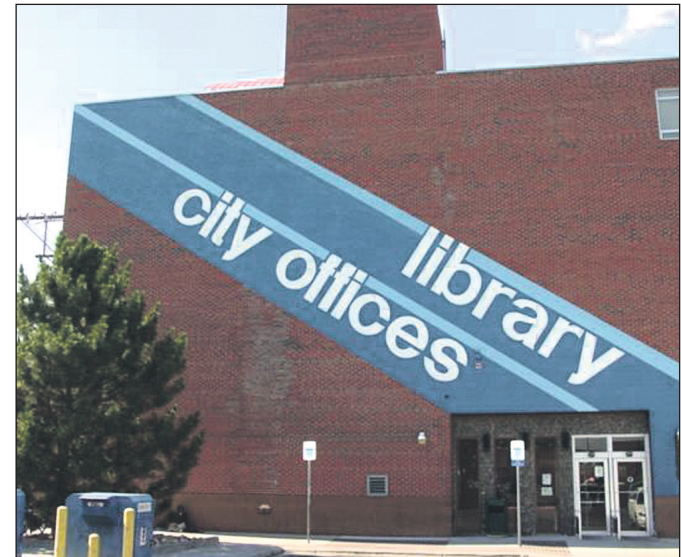
At the Aug. 18 meeting of the Downtown Library Facility Committee, consultants Jan Feye-Stukas and Dr. John Bielinski reported the results of a survey of community preferences for criteria to use in evaluating potential locations for a downtown library facility.

Among the survey's findings are that: two-thirds of community residents are library users, more than half of community residents find the current location convenient or very convenient, and about 60 percent prefer that the Library stay at its current location or nearby in the central core of downtown (about quadruple the next most popular location area, which was west downtown).

The Committee will hold a special meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 8, on the 4th floor of the Library. The final meeting of the Committee, at which one or more

recommended locations will be identified, is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 15, at noon, also on the 4th floor of the Library.

The full survey report may be accessed on the Library's homepage at www.billings.lib.mt.us. For more information, contact Candi Beaudry at (406) 657-8249 or beaudryc@ci.billings.mt.us, or Bill Cochran at (406) 657-8292 or cochranb@ci.billings.mt.us.



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Howard Heights Improvements

The Howard Heights area is generally located west of the BBWA Canal and north of Hilltop Road. This area of the Heights does not have any existing storm drain improvements. Approximately 200 acres of residential development drains to the intersection of Nutter Boulevard and Shamrock Lane, causing major flooding problems during large storm events.

A new project will install pipe between 12" and 54" in diameter and will construct a temporary detention pond within a nearby park, which will help alleviate the drainage problems in this area. Storm drain mains and manholes will be installed within Nutter Boulevard, Shamrock Court, Shamrock Lane, and Hilltop Road. Construction is scheduled to begin August 30th and be com-



Parking Technology Audit

The Parking Division is currently working with Desman, Inc., out of Denver, CO, to conduct a Parking Technology Audit. This audit will examine what technology could be used to manage downtown parking on-street and in the parking garages.

The objective of the study is to find the newest technology available to reduce costs and increase efficiency. Desman will bring forth recommendations about enforcement technology, meter technology, and Parking

Access Revenue Control Systems (PARCS) for the four City-owned parking garages.

The parking industry has recently seen huge advancements in technology. Enforcement can now be done with vehicle-mounted cameras and GPS coordinates. Parking meters could be placed mid block and be used for multiple spaces. These newer meters also allow for payments from credit/debit cards and cell phones.

Desman will look at these technologies, and others, and

provide a report on what will provide the greatest benefits to the City of Billings and downtown parking patrons.

Garage access equipment has become all about automation and little-to-no wait times. Desman may recommend that some City parking garages become automated, which will provide more efficient use of the facility and a wider range of payment options for City customers.

Desman will also provide information for financing this new technology.

Lake Elmo Drive Update

As we come to the end of summer and head into the fall, Lake Elmo Drive construction is going to be very busy from Hilltop to Wicks Lane.

The project will include constructing curb and gutter/ribbon curb, sidewalk and trail, and paving.

Currently, Lake Elmo Drive is paved from Main Street to Hansen Lane. Riverside Sand & Gravel will be constructing sidewalk and drive

approaches from Main Street moving north towards Wicks Lane.

Tree removals have been completed, and water service and utility relocations should be completed by the first part of September.

The project is expected to be mostly completed by the first week of November, but some miscellaneous items will continue to be completed through November and into the spring of 2011.



Main Runway Upgrade Underway at Airport

The first phase of a multi-year project to upgrade the Airport's main air carrier runway is underway.

Once this project is completed, aircraft waiting to depart will be able to stage closer to the end of the runway. This is an important change, as it will allow air traffic controllers to more efficiently coordinate landing and departing aircraft.

During the remainder of the 2010 construction season, the east end of the taxiway serving this runway will be rebuilt and shifted to the south. Beginning

spring 2011 and for the next two years, the main runway will be resurfaced.

Project planning began two years ago to develop a schedule that minimizes the impact this project will have on the many aircraft utilizing this runway each day. There will be times however, when portions of the entire runway will need to be closed so that the construction can be completed safely.

Airport staff will finalize the project phasing schedule this fall and then share this plan with the tenants, users and community.

Information about this or other Airport construction projects is available on the Airport's

website, www.flybillings.com, or by calling (406) 657-8495.



Citizens Police Academy

The next Citizens Police Academy is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2010. This hands-on class meets on Tuesday evenings from 6-9 p.m. for eight weeks. Topics of discussion include Code Enforcement, DUI and Crime Scene Investigations, Internet Crimes, K-9, Bomb Squad, S.W.A.T., and firearms use.

For more information or an application form, please contact Lisa Posada-Griffin at (406) 657-8451 or by e-mail at griffinl@ci.billings.mt.us. Seating is limited to 20 participants.



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Billings Logan International

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Airport Administration.....	657-8495
Airport Police	657-8498
Air Traffic Control.....	255-2750
Corporate Jet	245-8400
Edwards Jet Center	252-0508
Parking Lot-Standard	259-8545
Gateway Restaurant & Lounge.....	256-8446
TSA-24/7 Customer Service... 877-846-5737	

ANIMAL CONTROL

.....	657-8226
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ANIMAL LICENSING

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ANIMAL SHELTER

Yellowstone Valley Animal Shelter

.....	294-7387
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: Noon - 7 pm	
Saturdays: Noon - 6 pm	
Sundays: Noon - 6 pm	
Lost Pet Hotline	294-1138

BUILDING DIVISION

Building Permits	657-8270
Building & Plumbing Inspections.....	657-8277
Plan Review	657-8271
Business Licenses.....	657-8364

CEMETERY DIVISION

.....	657-8299
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CITY ADMINISTRATOR

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Assistant City Administrator.....	657-8222
City Clerk.....	657-8210

CITY ATTORNEY

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CITY COUNCIL INFORMATION

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CODE ENFORCEMENT -ZONING & WEED COMPLAINTS

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Community Development Manager...	657-8286
Housing Rehabilitation	657-8284
HOME Program.....	657-3045

COMMUNITY & SENIOR CENTER

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ENGINEERING DIVISION

City Engineer.....	657-8231
Right-of-Way Permits & Inspections	657-8307
Traffic Engineer	657-8231

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Accounts Payable.....	657-8224
Business Tax Determination	657-8364
City Tax Information – SID's.....	657-8223
Municipal Bonds	657-8363
Other Finance Services	657-8207

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Emergencies Only	911
Non-Emergency 8 am to 5 pm weekdays:	
Fire Department Administration	657-8423
Fire Prevention Bureau.....	657-8442

FLEET SERVICES

.....	657-8407
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GARBAGE SOLID WASTE

.....	657-8260
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GIS SERVICES

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

123 S. 27th	247-3200
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HUMAN RESOURCES

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Job Hot-Line	657-8441

JAIL

.....	256-6881
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LANDFILL

.....	657-8260
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LIBRARY

Parmly Billings

Information Services.....	657-8258
Children's Services.....	657-8256
Bookmobile.....	657-3091
Senior-Homebound	657-8255
Hours	657-8259
TTY	657-3079
Website	www.billings.lib.mt.us

MAYOR

.....	657-8296
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MET TRANSIT

Information & Schedules	657-8218
MET Special Transit Reservations	248-8805

MOUNTVIEW CEMETERY

.....	657-8299
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MUNICIPAL COURT

(City Hall Second Floor)	
Bond & Traffic Citation Info.....	657-8490
Juror Information (24 Hrs)	247-8653

PARKING DIVISION

Enforcement, Parking Tickets & Meter	
Repair	657-8412
Park One Garage	657-8389
Park Two Garage	657-8279
Park Three Garage	657-8212
Park Four Garage	657-8344

PARKS, RECREATION & PUBLIC LANDS

Parks Division	657-8371
Recreation Division	657-8371
Community & Senior Center	657-3050
Fax	247-8641
Website	www.prpl.info

PLANNING & ZONING

.....	657-8246
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Emergencies Only	911
Bonds & Traffic Citation Information: (Second Floor)	657-8490
Police Department Counter:	
Open 8 am to 6 pm weekdays.....	657-8460
Detective Division	657-8473
Crime Prevention & Public Relations:	
Open 8 am to 5 pm weekdays.....	657-8464
Crime Prevention Center	247-8590
Jail	256-6881
Non-Emergency	657-8200

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Public Works Administration.....	657-8230
Engineering Division	657-8231
Engineering-Traffic Division	657-8231
Environmental Affairs Division	247-8517
Utilities – Bills - On/Off Orders – Payments:	
Open 8 am to 5 pm weekdays.....	657-8315
After 5 pm, Weekends & Holidays.....	657-8353
Meter Shop	657-8331
Systems (Distribution & Collection):	
Engineering & Permits	657-8307
Utilities Service Center	657-8315
Wastewater Treatment Plant	657-8356
Water Treatment Plant.....	657-8353
Solid Waste Division (Garbage)	657-8260
Street-Traffic Maintenance Division...	657-8250
Street-Traffic & Storm Drain:	
Maintenance.....	657-8250
Traffic Signals	657-8250
Forestry.....	657-8368

PURCHASING DIVISION

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TAXES

City Taxes.....	657-8223
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ZONING

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