

Billings City Administrator Weekly Report

April 2, 2022

1. **Budget Presentations** – Most of this week was spent in budget presentation meetings. The remaining presentations will wrap up next week. Throughout April we will be balancing budgets and preparing presentations and documents for public review.
2. **Core Values and Vision Discussions** – Thanks to the leadership teams of public works and MET. Yesterday afternoon they each provided feedback on the city's core values and vision statement. Meetings are scheduled over the next few months with leadership teams throughout the organization.
3. **Parks, Trails and Recreation** – I attended the Parks and Trail - Challenges and Opportunities Workgroup, Finance Workgroup and the Rec Center Core and Executive Meetings this week. All of the Rec Center Core group meetings are public and held in the library community room. I suggest all of you attend at least one meeting to see how this group is working through the process to make recommendations to the Council.

Billings Multi-Generational Community Recreation Center (MCRC) reminder - The Parks and Rec. Dept. is beginning the next phase of the MCRC. This effort will produce a design concept for the proposed facility. Like the development of the rec. center master plan, two committees have been set up to guide this phase of the project. There is a Core Team and an Executive Team. The Core Team is a larger group comprised of people representing organizations in the community with a special interest in the recreation center development. The Executive Team represents key stakeholders who will confirm the recreation center direction, monitor the budget, and make final recommendations to the City Council.

All meetings are held in the Library Community Room as follows:

- February 8th 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
- March 8th 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
- March 31st 11:30 am to 1:00 pm
- May 5th 10:00 am to 1:00 pm
- July 7th 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Additionally, a community meeting will be held midway through the study to gather input, program information and site analysis thoughts from the community. Date, time, and place to be determined. Also, shortly after the community meeting, a presentation will be made to council to provide a project update. Once the committee finishes its work, their recommendations will be presented to the council for your review and consideration.

Council Orientation Schedule – A big thank you to our staff and council members Dan Tidswell, Ed Gulick, Jennifer Owen, Tom Rupsis for their endurance and genuine desire to share and learn.

- Friday, April 8 – 9:00 – 11:00 Public Works, Billings Operation Center, 4848 Midland Road