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**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026
COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY HALL**

FINANCE COMMITTEE – 6:30 P.M

(Barnhart, King and Stob)

REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of February 17, 2026 Claims - \$333,880.81
2. Approval of Payroll Claims - February 13, 2026 - \$121,758.88
3. Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes - February 2, 2026
4. Approval of City Council and Planning Commission Workshop Minutes - January 26, 2026
5. City requires the support from a communications consultant to maintain a professional social media and communications foundation for the City of Columbia Falls. The contract will also support the Columbia Falls Police Department's public education on highway traffic and impaired driving. The City completed a 3-month pilot project, and the City Staff is recommending continuing this contract.

VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT (Items not on agenda)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

6. **FY26 Mid-Year Budget Update**
7. **Hillside Geotechnical Investigation (2nd Ave E) Change Order No. 1**
Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$5,000 to Alpine Geotechnical Engineering for additional laboratory testing and field investigation.

8. River's Edge Park Fishing Pier Contract Award

City Staff and project engineers recommend contract award to Mountain Trades Contracting for \$110,933 for the construction of the Rivers Edge fishing pier with alternates.

9. Garnier Heights Preliminary Plat Extension Request

Request for a two-year extension of the conditional approval for the preliminary plat for the Garnier Heights Subdivision per condition 22 on Resolution #1851.

REPORTS / BUSINESS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL

CITY MANAGER REPORT

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

MISCELLANEOUS

10. Fire Department - January 2026 Reports

11. Police Department January 2026 Report

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Next Scheduled Meetings:

City Council – Regular Meeting, **Monday, March 2, 2026 - 7:00 PM**

Planning Commission Regular Meeting - **Thursday, March 12, 2026 - 6:00 PM**

Study Commission - Workshop - **Wednesday, February 18, 2026 - 5:00 PM**

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48503		3285 ADVANCED ANALYTICAL SOLUTIONS,	514.13						
	40222 02/04/26	SWR-LAB COLIFORM,NUTR,SOLIDS	514.13			5310 430600	394		101000
		Total for Vendor:	514.13						
48452		3338 ALPINE GEOTECHNICAL, LLC	14,000.00						
		SERVICES THROUGH 1/26/26							
	4221 01/27/26	LS-GEOTECH INVESTIGATION	14,000.00			1000 410100	399		101000
		Total for Vendor:	14,000.00						
48459		1606 ANYTIME LOCK & SAFE	595.00						
	16903 01/23/26	PD-ANNUAL RENEWEL 4 DOOR	595.00			1000 420100	390		101000
		Total for Vendor:	595.00						
48474		1700 BRECK LAW OFFICE, PC	9,057.56						
		MAR 26 FEES							
	MAR 26 02/03/26	LGL-FEES MAR 26	2,219.10			1000 411100	350		101000
	MAR 26 02/03/26	CRT-FEES MAR 26	4,519.72			1000 410365	350		101000
	MAR 26 02/03/26	WTR-FEES MAR 26	733.66			5210 430500	350		101000
	MAR 26 02/03/26	SWR-FEES MAR 26	733.66			5310 430600	350		101000
	MAR 26 02/03/26	P&Z-FEES MAR 26	362.30			1000 411000	350		101000
	MAR 26 02/03/26	PD-FEES MAR 26	144.92			1000 420100	399		101000
	MAR 26 02/03/26	WTR-FEES MAR 26	36.23			5210 430500	357		101000
	MAR 26 02/03/26	SWR-FEES MAR 26	45.29			5310 430600	357		101000
	MAR 26 02/03/26	STR-FEES MAR 26	63.40			2500 430200	399		101000
	MAR 26 02/03/26	ADDITIONAL LABOR	199.28			1000 411100	350		101000
		Total for Vendor:	9,057.56						
48517		184 CENEX HARVEST STATES COOP	1,051.60						
	5090 01/01/26	FD-GAS BULK	1,051.60			1000 420400	344		101000
		Total for Vendor:	1,051.60						
		*** Claim from another period (1/26) ****							
48429	E	3028 CENTURYLINK - LUMEN - ELECTRONIC	409.49						
		FIBER AND DATA ONLINE DUE FEB 15 2026							
	768735486 01/16/26	COMP-12/16/25-01/16/26	409.49			1000 410580	345		101000
		Total for Vendor:	409.49						

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48490		1145 CITY OF WHITEFISH BUILDING	2,000.00						
		Permits issued for January 2026							
	01022026	01/02/26 MINIMUM PERMITS 01/26	2,000.00			2394 420500	398		101000
		Total for Vendor:	2,000.00						
48480		3197 COLUMBIA FALLS AUTO CLINIC	2,596.00						
	45988	01/27/26 PRK-OIL CLR LINE / WHEEL BRNG	2,596.00*			1000 460400	361		101000
		Total for Vendor:	2,596.00						
48453		1711 COMFORT SYSTEMS USA	2,121.50						
		1/01/26-03/31/26							
	92023657	01/27/26 FD-ANNUAL HEATING MAINT	721.29			1000 411200	366		101000
	92023657	01/27/26 SWR-ANNUAL HEATING MAINT	466.73			5310 430600	366		101000
	92023657	01/27/26 LIFT#3-ANNUAL HEATING MAINT	63.65			5310 430600	366		101000
	92023657	01/27/26 LIFT #4-ANNUAL HEATING MAINT	63.65			5310 430600	366		101000
	92023657	01/27/26 STR-ANNUAL HEATING MAINT	84.86			2500 430200	366		101000
	92023657	01/27/26 FAC-ANNUAL HEATING MAINT	657.67			1000 411200	366		101000
	92023657	01/27/26 FAC-PD SHED ANNUAL HEATING M	63.65			1000 411200	366		101000
		Total for Vendor:	2,121.50						
48491		3026 DAILY INTER LAKE	1,199.43						
	44375	01/04/26 STR-SAFETY & MOBILITY PROJEC	363.47			2995 430230	930		101000
	44375	01/04/26 WTR-SAFETY & MOBILITY PROJECT	195.72			2995 430550	930		101000
	44949	01/11/26 PRK- RIVERS EDGE POND	474.20			1000 460400	354		101000
	45358	01/28/26 P&Z-NORTON LUXERY HOMES	166.04			1000 411000	331		101000
		Total for Vendor:	1,199.43						
48492		2889 DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	141.74						
	105391101	01/26/26 SWR-LAUNDRY TUB	141.74			5310 430600	240		101000
		Total for Vendor:	141.74						
48467		3230 DEX IMAGING LLC	5,179.98						
		SERVICE CONTRACT FOR PRINTER IN FINANCE DEPT 01/20/26-01/19/27							
	14713220	01/28/26 FIN-SHARP/MX-3071 ANNUAL CON	1,726.66			1000 410500	363		101000
	14713220	01/28/26 WTR-SHARP/MX-3071 ANNUAL CON	1,726.66			5210 430500	363		101000
	14713220	01/28/26 SWR-SHARP/MX-3071 ANNUAL CON	1,726.66*			5310 430600	363		101000
		Total for Vendor:	5,179.98						

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48469	E	1879 EVERGREEN WASTE CONNECTIONS	592.10							
	5180858	02/01/26 FAC-1/1/26-1/31/26	107.44			1000 411200	340		101000	
	5180859	02/01/26 STRS-1/1/26-1/31/26	216.15			2500 430200	340		101000	
	5180860	02/01/26 WTR-1/1/26-1/31/26	107.44			5210 430500	340		101000	
	5180959	02/01/26 SWR-1/1/26-1/31/26	89.45			5310 430600	340		101000	
	5180961	02/01/26 PRKS-1/1/26-1/31/26	71.62			1000 460400	340		101000	
		Total for Vendor:	592.10							
48498		999999 FENTON, MICHEAL	600.00							
	100925	10/09/25 WTR-CITY SHARE CONCRETE WRK	600.00			5210 430500	360		101000	
		Total for Vendor:	600.00							
48477	E	2961 FIRST BANKCARD-ELECTRONIC PYMT	3,456.96							
	0585048	12/12/25 PD-HARD DRIVE	124.99			1000 420100	220		101000	
	40329576	12/26/25 EMS-FISRT AID EQUIPMENT	352.92			1000 420730	220		101000	
	0353043	12/31/25 FIN-LABEL MAKER TAPE	7.52			1000 410500	210		101000	
	0353043	12/31/25 WTR-LABEL MAKER TAPE	7.52			5210 430500	210		101000	
	0353043	12/31/25 SWR-LABEL MAKER TAPE	7.52			5310 430600	210		101000	
	2025120056	12/31/25 WTR-BACKROUND J.LAMB	158.37			5210 430500	399		101000	
	2025120056	12/31/25 FD-BACKROUND G.BUCHANAN	85.00			1000 420400	390		101000	
	010126	01/01/26 FIN-WEB SERVICES	184.00			1000 410580	355		101000	
	010226	01/02/26 PD-ID CARD	25.00			1000 420100	220		101000	
	1443438	01/05/26 FIN-BLUE COPY PAPER	3.78			1000 410500	210		101000	
	1443438	01/05/26 WTR-BLUE COPY PAPER	3.78			5210 430500	210		101000	
	1443438	01/05/26 SWR-BLUE COPY PAPER	3.77			5310 430600	210		101000	
	7101011	01/07/26 FAC-HEAT TAPE F0E PD SHED	78.84			1000 411200	220		101000	
	011326	01/13/26 ADMIN-CHAMBER LUNCH	31.00			1000 410400	380		101000	
	5060	01/15/26 SWR-FLORECENT LAMBS	935.40			5310 430600	220		101000	
	1774622	01/14/26 WTR-PHONE CASE J.LAMB	84.42			5210 430500	210		101000	
	011626	01/16/26 FIN-E FILING	48.56*			1000 410500	390		101000	
	011626	01/16/26 WTR-E FILING	48.57			5210 430500	390		101000	
	011626	01/16/26 SWR-E-FILING	48.57*			5310 430600	390		101000	
	12756	01/20/26 FD-GAS METER REPAIR	1,023.57			1000 420400	360		101000	
	0606607	01/16/26 PD-ALCOHOL WIPES	9.89			1000 420100	210		101000	
	012126	01/21/26 PD-EVIDENCE BAGS	138.00			1000 420100	210		101000	
	012326	01/23/26 FAC-MOP & BROOM	45.97			1000 411200	224		101000	
		Total for Vendor:	3,456.96							

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48466		3104 FIRST CALL COMPUTER SOLUTIONS,	2,569.41						
	110651	01/31/26 FIN-MONTHLY BILLING JAN	540.00			1000 410580	355		101000
	110353	02/01/26 FIN-MONTHLY BILLING FEB	1,800.00			1000 410580	355		101000
	110715	01/31/26 FIN-MONTHLY BILLING JAN	229.41			1000 410580	355		101000
		Total for Vendor:	2,569.41						
48486		1892 FLATHEAD COUNTY	75.00						
	6678	02/02/26 P&Z-OWNERSHIP LIST-ZEIGLER	75.00			1000 411000	390		101000
		Total for Vendor:	75.00						
48454		663 FLATHEAD COUNTY SOLID WASTE	2,860.73						
	01/06/26-01/29/26								
	20318	01/31/26 SWR-SLUDGE WST 1/6/26-1/29/26	2,860.73			5310 430600	395		101000
		Total for Vendor:	2,860.73						
48455		24 FLATHEAD COUNTY TREASURER	694.00						
		FOR THE MONTH OF JAN							
	020226	02/02/26 CRT-TECH SURCHARGE	315.00			1000 212201			101000
	020226	02/02/26 CRT-LAW SURCHARGE	379.00			1000 212201			101000
		Total for Vendor:	694.00						
48484		21 FLATHEAD ELECTRIC COOP INC	15,347.89						
	013126	01/31/26 FAC-12/25/25-1/25/26	463.95			1000 411200	341		101000
	013126	01/31/26 PD-12/25/25-1/25/26	50.03			1000 420100	341		101000
	013126	01/31/26 FD-12/25/25-1/25/26	479.75			1000 420400	341		101000
	013126	01/31/26 PRKS-12/25/25-1/25/26	435.18			1000 460400	341		101000
	013126	01/31/26 POOL-12/25/25-1/25/26	62.11			1000 460445	341		101000
	013126	01/31/26 LIGHTING-12/25/25-1/25/26	2,582.32			2400 430200	341		101000
	013126	01/31/26 STRS-12/25/25-1/25/26	147.36			2500 430200	341		101000
	013126	01/31/26 WTR-12/25/25-1/25/26	4,542.30			5210 430500	341		101000
	013126	01/31/26 SWR-12/25/25-1/25/26	6,584.89			5310 430600	341		101000
		Total for Vendor:	15,347.89						

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48456		3075 FLATHEAD OIL	153.90						
	26-12557	01/28/26 SWR- 5/1 CHEVRON 15W40	153.90			5310 430600	231		101000
		Total for Vendor:	153.90						
48512		3019 FLATHEAD PUBLISHING GROUP	1,224.00						
	12312025	12/31/25 FIN-FINANCE DIRECTOR DEC AD	782.00*			1000 410500	390		101000
	01092026	01/09/26 FIN-FINANCE DIRECTOR JAN AD	442.00*			1000 410500	390		101000
		Total for Vendor:	1,224.00						
48501		3350 FLATHEAD TOWING LLC	291.00						
1999		DODGE DURANGO							
	01989	01/09/26 PD-TOWING	291.00			1000 420100	390		101000
		Total for Vendor:	291.00						
48513		1119 HDR ENGINEERING, INC.	9,664.46						
	09/28/25-11/01/25								
	1200799508	02/05/26 SWR-WWTP & SWR IMPROV PROJ	9,064.06			5310 430600	930		101000
	12874	07/03/25 SWR-24-229 CF WWTP IMPROVEMENT	420.00			5310 430600	930		101000
	13032	08/06/25 SWR-24-229 CF WWTP IMPROVEMENT	180.40			5310 430600	930		101000
		Total for Vendor:	9,664.46						
48457		1659 HIGH COUNTRY LINEN SUPPLY	273.30						
	0662151	01/26/26 FAC-CITY HALL, PD, CRT, FIN	236.56			1000 411200	224		101000
	0662152	01/26/26 FAC-FIRE HALL	36.74			1000 411200	224		101000
		Total for Vendor:	273.30						
48509		3232 HTURBO INC.	534.40						
	0206A	02/06/26 SWR-AIR FILTER	534.40			5310 430600	240		101000
		Total for Vendor:	534.40						
48489		2580 JD THINNING INC	5,890.00						
	18698	02/06/26 TCP-PINEWOOD PRK 8 TREES	5,890.00			1000 410131	390		101000
		Total for Vendor:	5,890.00						

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48515		3004 JIFFY LUBE - MyFleetCenter.com	92.89						
	4310	02/06/26 FD-2014 FORD OIL CHANGE	92.89			1000 420400	361		101000
		Total for Vendor:	92.89						
48458		2590 L.N. CURTIS & SONS	215.40						
	1032345	01/27/26 FD-GLOVES (2)	215.40			1000 420400	226		101000
		Total for Vendor:	215.40						
48465		162 LOGAN HEALTH - WHITEFISH	21.00						
	103726415	01/22/26 PD-EVIDENCE	21.00			1000 420100	399		101000
48508		162 LOGAN HEALTH - WHITEFISH	63.00						
	103726415	01/22/26 PD-EVIDENCE	21.00			1000 420100	399		101000
	105983123	01/31/26 PD-EVIDENCE	21.00			1000 420100	399		101000
	105984021	01/31/26 PD-EVIDENCE	21.00			1000 420100	399		101000
		Total for Vendor:	84.00						
48497		735 MASTER TECH REPAIR	36.00						
	8719-27	02/03/26 STR-WEDGES	36.00			2500 430200	220		101000
		Total for Vendor:	36.00						
48488		3020 MIDWAY RENTAL - REiC	123.60						
	2175441	02/03/26 SWR-MANHOLE ELECTRIC BLOWER	123.60			5310 430600	240		101000
		Total for Vendor:	123.60						
48511		707 MONTANA DEPT. OF REVENUE	2,174.83						
	WWTP PAY APP #15 1%								
	WWTP15	01/15/26 WWTP-PAY APP #15 1%	2,174.83			5310 430600	930		101000
		Total for Vendor:	2,174.83						
48499		43 MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY	722.00						
	2513758	01/12/26 SWR-NITRATE NITRATE TKN	75.00			5310 430600	394		101000
	2513853	01/12/26 SWR-NITRATE NITRATE TKN	75.00			5310 430600	394		101000
	2600120	01/13/26 SWR-AMONIA NITRATE NITRATE TK	170.00			5310 430600	394		101000
	2600120	01/08/26 SWR-ALUMINUM DISSOLVED	17.00			5310 430600	394		101000
	2600367	01/19/26 SWR-NITRATE NITRATE TKN	75.00			5310 430600	394		101000

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	2600762	02/03/26 SWR-NITRATE NITRATE TKN	75.00			5310 430600	394		101000
	2600408	01/15/26 WTR-COLIFORM	160.00			5210 430500	394		101000
		Total for Vendor:	722.00						
48485		3119 MONTANA TRUCK WORKS, LLC	1,590.84						
	1169	02/05/26 FD-#401 SIREN CONTROLLER	1,590.84			1000 420400	361		101000
		Total for Vendor:	1,590.84						
48496		722 MORRISON-MAIERLE, INC.	8,657.15						
	268110	02/09/26 SIDEWALK & PARKING PHASE 2	707.40			2310 470300	931		101000
	268112	02/09/26 SWR-WWTP PER	7,173.75			5310 430600	354		101000
	268117	02/09/26 WTR-ON CALL SERVICES	291.00			5210 430500	354		101000
	268117	02/09/26 SWR-ON CALL SERVICES	485.00			5310 430600	354		101000
		Total for Vendor:	8,657.15						
48460		2305 MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC.	9.44						
	1411228761	01/14/26 PD-IN CAR VIDEO SYSTEM	9.44			1000 420100	390		101000
		Total for Vendor:	9.44						
48504		1247 MURDOCH'S RANCH & HOME	48.99						
	263510	01/29/26 PRK-STIHL CHAIN LOOP	48.99			1000 460400	220		101000
		Total for Vendor:	48.99						
48476		52 NAPA AUTO PARTS	79.96						
	137454	01/26/26 FD-2.5 DEF	25.98			1000 420400	231		101000
	137744	01/29/26 FD-22 INCH TRIC BLADE	53.98			1000 420400	232		101000
		Total for Vendor:	79.96						
48470		520 NORCO, INC.	77.47						
	45815581	01/31/26 WTR-CYLINDAR RNT 12/31-1/31/	13.33			5210 430500	220		101000
	80322545	02/04/26 EMS-COMPRESSED OXYGEN	64.14			1000 420730	220		101000
		Total for Vendor:	77.47						

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48506		2168 NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIES	109.70						
	531335	02/03/26 SWR-SODIUM HYDROXIDE	109.70			5310 430600	222		101000
		Total for Vendor:	109.70						
48461		3231 NORTHERN ROCKIES FIRE	150.00						
	1408	01/26/26 FD-5 GALLON PAIL COLD FIRE	150.00			1000 420400	220		101000
		Total for Vendor:	150.00						
48483		2002 NORTHWEST PARTS & EQUIPMENT &	190.55						
	10785	01/26/26 STR-COBALT DRILL SET	190.55			2500 430200	220		101000
		Total for Vendor:	190.55						
48493		1437 NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	2,562.36						
		NATURAL GAS SERVICE							
	012826	01/28/26 FAC-12/18/25-1/20/26	537.61			1000 411200	344		101000
	012826	01/28/26 PD-12/18/25-1/20/26	140.15			1000 420100	344		101000
	012826	01/28/26 FD-12/18/25-1/20/26	478.77			1000 420400	344		101000
	012826	01/28/26 STRS-12/18/25-1/20/26	329.18			2500 430200	344		101000
	012826	01/28/26 WTR-12/18/25-1/20/26	89.60			5210 430500	344		101000
	012826	01/28/26 SWR-12/18/25-1/20/26	987.05			5310 430600	344		101000
		Total for Vendor:	2,562.36						
48475		2816 O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	54.00						
	147384	01/02/26 STR-WIPER BLADES	54.00			2500 430200	240		101000
		Total for Vendor:	54.00						
48494		1888 PLETCH ELECTRIC INC	3,215.47						
	5938	02/03/26 FAC-ELECTRICAL LABOR & MAT	245.47			1000 411200	366		101000
	5937	02/03/26 STR-ELECTRICAL LABOR & MAT	2,970.00			2500 430200	399		101000
		Total for Vendor:	3,215.47						
48510		3277 PROSPECT CONSTRUCTION INC	215,307.81						
		PAY APP #15 Application Period 11/01/25 - 12/17/25 -Retainage							
		PayApp15 01/15/26 SWR-WWTP PAY APP15 11/01-12/	215,307.81			5310 430600	930		101000
		Total for Vendor:	215,307.81						

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48462		3329 PYE-BARKER FIRE & SAFETY	139.52						
	7702011	02/01/26 FAC-ALARM MONITORING	66.27			1000 411200	366		101000
	7701217	02/01/26 FAC-FD ALARM MONITORING	73.25			1000 411200	366		101000
		Total for Vendor:	139.52						
48514		3136 RICE, BRANDON	258.00						
		HELENA TRAINING 3/01/26-3/04/26							
	021126	02/11/26 PD-REIMBURSEMENT TRAVEL CLAIM	258.00			1000 420100	380		101000
		Total for Vendor:	258.00						
48479		3348 ROTORK CONTROLS INC.	5,143.70						
	26224	01/12/26 SWR-ACUATOR	5,143.70			5310 430600	240		101000
		Total for Vendor:	5,143.70						
48463		3225 RUSTIC MOOSE LLC	20.50						
	001197	01/27/26 STR-EMBROIDERY 2 SHIRTS	20.50			2500 430200	226		101000
		Total for Vendor:	20.50						
48502	E	2852 SPECTRUM ENTERPRISE - CHARTER - AUTO PAY	336.20						
	020626	02/06/26 SWR-INTERNET 02/06/26-03/05/26	176.21			5310 430600	345		101000
	020126	02/01/26 PD-INTERNET 02/01/26-02/28/26	159.99			1000 420100	345		101000
		Total for Vendor:	336.20						
48516		1797 STATE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	40.45						
	523426	01/01/26 PD-ITSD/EMAIL 1/1/26-1/31/26	40.45*			1000 420100	355		101000
		Total for Vendor:	40.45						
48482		2699 THE MAIL ROOM, INC	287.67						
		INVOICE #D127889 1/20-1/30/26							
	D127889	01/31/26 PD-MAIL 1/20/26-1/30/26	10.19			1000 420100	310		101000
	D127889	01/31/26 FIN-MAIL 1/20/26-1/30/26	39.99			1000 410500	310		101000
	D127889	01/31/26 WTR-MAIL 1/20/26-1/30/26	84.25			5210 430500	310		101000
	D127889	01/31/26 SWR-MAIL1/20/26-1/30/26	84.25			5310 430600	310		101000
	D127889	01/31/26 CRT-MAIL 1/20/26-1/30/26	55.96			1000 410360	310		101000
	D127889	01/31/26 P&Z-MAIL 1/20/26-1/30/26	13.03			1000 411000	310		101000
		Total for Vendor:	287.67						

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48481		1623 THE UPS STORE #4515	135.77						
	038169	01/31/26 PD-EVIDENCE SHIPPING	28.68			1000 420100	310		101000
	038219	02/02/26 PD-EVIDENCE SHIPPING	14.34			1000 420100	310		101000
	037316	01/02/26 PD-EVIDENCE SHIPPING	14.34			1000 420100	310		101000
	038352	02/06/26 SWR-NORTH CENTRAL LAB SHIPPING	37.58			5310 430600	310		101000
	038346	02/06/26 PD-EVIDENCE SHIPPING	40.83			1000 420100	310		101000
		Total for Vendor:	135.77						
48500		2923 TORGERSON'S LLC	141.00						
	37391	01/22/26 STR-HORN FOR 621 LOADER	141.00			2500 430200	232		101000
		Total for Vendor:	141.00						
48468		3016 TRANSUNION RISK AND ALTERNATIVE	100.00						
	202601	02/01/26 PD-CONTRACT 1/1/26-1/31/26	100.00			1000 420100	399		101000
		Total for Vendor:	100.00						
48471		3190 TRUCKPRO, LLC DBA TNT TRUCK	449.13						
	41758	01/28/26 SWR-FILTERS	82.17			5310 430600	232		101000
	41817	01/29/26 SWR-FILTERS	366.96			5310 430600	232		101000
		Total for Vendor:	449.13						
48487		3349 TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC	2,463.00						
	01/01/26-12/31/26								
	161997	01/14/26 FD-FIRE PREVENTION MOBIL SUB	2,463.00			1000 420400	390		101000
		Total for Vendor:	2,463.00						
48505		3200 USABBLUEBOOK	442.76						
	944628	01/26/26 SWR-LAB SUPPLIES	442.76			5310 430600	222		101000
		Total for Vendor:	442.76						
48473		3063 UTILITIES UNDERGROUND LOCATION	19.25						
		FEE FOR TICKETS FOR JAN 2026 11							
	6015074	01/31/26 WTR-JAN 2026 UDIGS	6.41			5210 430500	318		101000
	6015074	01/31/26 SWR-JAN 2026 UDIGS	6.42			5310 430600	318		101000
	6015074	01/31/26 STR-JAN 2026 UDIGS	6.42			2500 430200	318		101000
		Total for Vendor:	19.25						

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48464		1134 VICTIM-WITNESS ADVOCATE PROGRAM	448.50						
	JAN 26	02/02/26 CRT-JAN 2026	448.50			2917 410360	356		101000
		Total for Vendor:	448.50						
48472	E	2733 WEX Fleet Universal - Electronic	4,859.32						
		BILL CLOSING DATE 01/31/26							
	110355577	01/31/26 PD-DEC FUEL	2,364.95			1000 420100	231		101000
	110355577	01/31/26 PD-DEC FUEL	105.02			1000 420100	380		101000
	110355577	01/31/26 FD-DEC FUEL	804.49			1000 420400	231		101000
	110355577	01/31/26 PRK-DEC FUEL	49.93			1000 460400	231		101000
	110355577	01/31/26 WTR-DEC FUEL	82.63			5210 430500	231		101000
	110355577	01/31/26 SWR-DEC FUEL	128.23			5310 430600	231		101000
	110355577	01/31/26 STR-DEC FUEL	1,324.07			2500 430200	231		101000
		Total for Vendor:	4,859.32						
		# of Claims 64	Total: 333,880.81		# of Vendors	58			
		Total Electronic Claims	9,654.07						
		Total Non-Electronic Claims	324226.74						

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Fund/Account	Amount
1000 GENERAL FUND	
101000 CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS	55,193.12
2310 TAX INCREMENT DISTRICT FUND	
101000 CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS	707.40
2394 BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT FUND	
101000 CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS	2,000.00
2400 SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT FUND	
101000 CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS	2,582.32
2500 SPECIAL STREET MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FUND	
101000 CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS	5,583.49
2917 CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE FUND	
101000 CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS	448.50
2995 RAISE Grant	
101000 CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS	559.19
5210 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND	
101000 CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS	8,776.17
5310 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND	
101000 CASH/CASH EQUIVALENTS	258,030.62
Total:	333,880.81

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Claims Submitted to Council: \$333,880.81

Claims Denied/Withheld by Council Finance Committee:\$_____ Claim #'s:_____

Prepared By: Roger Elliott, City Accountant

Roger Elliott

Approved by Eric Hanks, City Manager

Eric Hanks

City Council to Approve by motion on consent agenda

The following claims are non-routine or material in nature

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| 1. Prospect Engineering finalizing WWTP | \$215,307.81 |
| 2. Morrison-Maierle Inc Downtown Phase 2 | \$8,657.15 |
| 3. HDR Engineering WWTP Improvements | \$9,664.46 |
| 4. Alpine Geotechnical - Geo Tech Investigations | \$14,000.00 |

The other claims are routine in nature. If you have any questions please call me.

Roger Elliott
City Accountant
406-892-4391

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Item No.2.

Total for Payroll Checks

	Employee	Employer	Amount
COMA HOURS (Comp Time Accumulated)	24.75		
COMP HOURS (Comp Time Used)	3.50		110.53
J015 HOURS (CALL OUT NQ)	19.00		903.66
OTTR HOURS (PD Reg. Training)	144.00		4,188.96
OVER HOURS (Overtime)	74.50		3,499.99
REG HOURS (Regular Time)	2,781.50		93,972.91
SFTO HOURS (Shift Sup/FTO - \$1.5/hour)	48.00		398.28
SHFN HOURS (Shift B)	425.50		851.00
SHFQ HOURS (OVI B)	27.00		81.00
SICK HOURS (Sick Time)	61.00		1,825.79
VACA HOURS (Vacation Time Used)	77.50		2,990.32
GROSS PAY	108,822.44	0.00	
NET PAY	76,974.30	0.00	
AFLAC-POSTTAX	86.97	0.00	
AFLAC-PRETAX	163.91	0.00	
CITY OF COLUMBI	20.00	0.00	
FIT	7,833.38	0.00	
FLEX ALLEGIANCE	968.49	30.00	
FOP	495.00	0.00	
GARNISHMENT	517.61	0.00	
HEALTHINS/PRE	4,498.90	35,030.40	
MEDICARE	1,522.26	1,522.26	
MT ST FIRE ASSO	118.53	0.00	
MUTUAL OF OMAHA	286.90	0.00	
NATIONWIDE/CITY	0.00	1,793.96	
NATIONWIDE/EMP	200.00	0.00	
P.E.R.S.	4,071.33	4,674.29	
PERS/FURS	1,268.26	1,702.07	
PERS/POLICE	3,160.67	5,060.61	
SIT	2,904.00	0.00	
SOCIAL SECURITY	3,460.93	3,460.93	
TEAMSTERS DUES	271.00	0.00	
UNEMPL. INSUR.	0.00	598.50	
WORKERS' COMP	0.00	3,633.14	
CHARLES SCHWAB	1,940.33	0.00	
FIRST INTERSTAT	1,291.05	0.00	
FREEDOM BANK	3,881.86	0.00	
GLACIER BANK KA	6,903.65	0.00	
GLACIER BANK MS	3,344.97	0.00	
GLACIER BANK/CF	20,184.65	0.00	
GLACIER BANK/WF	2,323.34	0.00	
MORGAN STANLEY	4,471.94	0.00	
NAVY FEDERAL CR	2,043.21	0.00	
PARKSIDE CR U	11,382.57	0.00	
STOCKMAN BANK	1,195.05	0.00	
USAA FEDERAL	1,604.93	0.00	
WELLS FARGO	2,742.43	0.00	
WELLS FARGO, TX	2,213.90	0.00	

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WELLS VIRGINIA	1,764.54	0.00
WFISH CR UNION	9,685.88	0.00
FIT/SIT BASE	94,490.88	0.00
MEDICARE BASE	104,985.10	0.00
PERS BASE	98,507.51	0.00
SOC SEC BASE	55,821.01	0.00
UN BASE	108,822.44	0.00
WC BASE	107,655.80	0.00

Total	57,506.16
Total Payroll Expense (Gross Pay + Employer Contributions):	166,328.60

Check Summary

Payroll Checks Prev. Out.	\$73,222.66
Payroll Checks Issued	\$2,650.10
Payroll Checks Redeemed	\$72,882.98
Payroll Checks Outstanding	\$2,989.78
Electronic Checks	\$119,108.78

Deductions Accrued	Carried Forward From Previous Month	Deduction Checks Issued	Difference	Liab Account
Social Security	6,921.86	6,921.86		212260
Medicare	3,044.52	3,044.52		212260
P.E.R.S.	8,745.62	8,745.62		212270
Unempl. Insur.	598.50	2,459.30	3,057.80	212210
Workers' Comp	3,633.14	14,512.23	18,145.37	212220
FIT	7,833.38	7,833.38		212260
SIT	2,904.00	2,904.00		212260
AFLAC-PRETAX	163.91	163.91	327.82	212230
NATIONWIDE/EMP	200.00	200.00		212280
Teamsters dues	271.00	271.00	542.00	212310
PERS/Police	8,221.28	8,221.28		212240
GARNISHMENT	517.61	517.61		212330
NATIONWIDE/CITY	1,793.96	1,793.96		212280
AFLAC-POSTTAX	86.97	86.97	173.94	212230
PERS/FURS	2,970.33	2,970.33		212275
MT ST FIRE ASSO	118.53	118.53		212315
HEALTHINS/PRE	39,529.30	39,529.30	79,058.60	212400
CITY OF COLUMBI	20.00	20.00		212450
FLEX ALLEGIANCE	998.49	998.49		212285
FOP	495.00	495.00		212335
MUTUAL OF OMAHA	286.90	286.90	573.80	212400
Total Ded.	89,354.30	57,309.61	44,784.58	101,879.33

**** Carried Forward column only correct if report run for current period.

**CITY OF COLUMBIA FALLS
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
HELD FEBRUARY 02, 2026**

Mayor Barnhart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Councilor King, Councilor Piper, Councilor Price, Councilor Robinson, Councilor Semok, Councilor Stob and Mayor Barnhart.

Also present: City Manager Hanks, City Clerk Staaland, City Attorney Breck, Fire Chief Weeks and Police Chief Stephens.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Councilor Robinson made a motion to amend the agenda inserting Visitor/Public Comments after the consent agenda, seconded by Councilor Semok and the motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: Councilor Stob motioned to approve the consent agenda noting all claims appeared to be in order, seconded by Councilor King and the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of February 2, 2026, Claims - \$105,597.09

Approval of Payroll Claims - Jan. 30, 2026 - \$200,150.96

Approval of January 20, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Anna Higgins, 1534 Fran Lou Park Lane, requested adoption of a resolution limiting cooperation with federal immigration enforcement to constitutionally lawful actions, citing potential constitutional violations and fiscal liability. She referenced concerns reported in Minneapolis and stated similar issues could occur in Columbia Falls. Ms. Higgins submitted written policy requests to council.

Bug, 313 4th Ave. W., concurred with Ms. Higgins and noted that Helena recently adopted a resolution addressing non-cooperation between local law enforcement and federal immigration agencies.

Gracie Regala, 405 2nd Ave. E., expressed support for a non-cooperation resolution and raised concerns about racial profiling, particularly affecting people of color.

Kali St. Germain, 1000 4th Ave. WN, concurred with previous speakers.

Jessie Devine, 3223 North Fork Rd., stated that non-cooperation would apply only to unlawful acts.

Roger Hopkins, 949 Vans Ave., speaking as Vice Chairman of the Government Study Commission, thanked Councilman Piper for his leadership and announced that the February 25, 2026, public hearing was canceled and replaced with a February 18, 2026 workshop to present a new recommendation.

Mayor Barnhart stated that a written public comment was received after the council packet was posted and that council would later decide whether to discuss the matter.

APPOINTMENT - Probationary Volunteer Firefighter Grace Buchanan

The membership of the Columbia Falls Fire Department has voted to accept Grace Buchanan as a probationary volunteer firefighter. Ms. Buchanan has completed a physical background check and has attended several trainings as an observer. Unfortunately, Grace is not here this evening to be sworn in but plans to take her oath of office soon said Chief Weeks. Staff recommend Ms. Buchanan as Probationary Volunteer Firefighter.

Councilor Price made motion to appoint Grace Bushanan as Probationary Volunteer Firefighter, seconded by Councilor Piper and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

The City Staff recommend awarding the Gateway to Glacier Safety and Mobility Project contract to Nelcon, Inc. for \$9,411,191.

City Manager Hanks stated that city staff and project engineers recommend awarding the contract to Nelcon, Inc.. He reported that the project bid exceeds the revised grant and city budget by \$552,099 and utilizes the full bidding contingency of \$395,560, resulting in a total budget deficit of \$947,658. He stated that a budget amendment is not required at this time, as sufficient funds are appropriated in fiscal year 2026. Funding recommendations will be presented with the fiscal year 2027 budget, with the current plan to use available TIF district funds. City staff and engineers worked with bidders to address concerns, including extending substantial completion from March 2027 to September 30, 2027, allowing an additional construction season due to delays in federal obligated funds. He noted construction restrictions prohibiting work in front of Gateway Elementary School and the High School during the school year. Staff recommended authorization to execute all contracts and related documents for the project.

Mayor Barnhart stated the project involves reconstruction of 4th Ave. W from Glacier Gateway School to 13th Street, including connections to 12th and 7th. He noted the project will include sidewalks, water main replacement, and landscaping.

Councilor Piper motioned to authorize the City Manager to sign all needed documentation for the Gateway to Glacier Safety and Mobility Project to Nelcon, Inc. seconded by Councilor Semok with Council voting as follows. Ayes: Price, Robinson, Semok, Stob, King, Piper and Barnhart.

REPORTS / BUSINESS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL

Councilor Robinson requested to review the related resolution adopted by Helena and materials under consideration by Missoula.

Councilor Stob reported attending a newly elected officials webinar and suggested future participation if available. She raised the need for public council email addresses and easier public access to Zoom meetings. City Manager Hanks stated these items are in progress.

Councilor Price inquired about meetings with Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks and Montana Department of Transportation. City Manager Hanks stated the FWP outreach position is vacant and that he will follow up with MDT after no response to earlier outreach.

Councilor King noted positive public use of Pinewood Park.

Councilor Semok acknowledged public comments and expressed concern regarding enforcement actions by ICE and CBP, referencing Whitefish and Minnesota, and stated hope for a resolution protecting residents rights.

Councilor Piper reported a scheduling conflict between the Gateway to Glacier Mobility Project meeting and the Government Study Commission meeting. City Manager Hanks stated the Study Commission will meet in the Public Works office.

Mayor Barnhart reported attending a Solid Waste Board meeting and discussed future sewage disposal challenges, noting changes affecting the three cities hauling to the landfill. He stated the city is evaluating options to reduce liquid waste and is reviewing land application practices used by Whitefish. He also reported updates to City County environmental health rules, the County's mental health response program, and ongoing challenges establishing a railroad quiet zone with BNSF Railway. City Manager Hanks noted the most recent quiet zone cost estimate was nearly \$1 million.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Hanks stated that following Gateway to Glacier Safety and Mobility Project contractor selection, notifications will be sent to residents within the construction corridors via mailers and door hangers, with an open meeting available to all community members. Engineers and contractors will be present to address project-related questions.

Hanks provided an update on the railroad quiet zone, noting the estimated cost is approximately \$975,000 and would require closure of 4th Ave. EN, improvements to 2nd Ave. WN, installation of drop arms and signals, and elimination of the industrial park crossing. He stated the crossings are county-owned, and implementation would require the city to assume responsibility. He reported meeting with BNSF Railway, which indicated the project would need to be fully funded by the City. The project remains a long-term goal and may be discussed during budget and capital improvement planning.

City Manager Hanks announced that the February 12th Planning Commission meeting will be a workshop led by the Cushing Terrell team, reviewing data collection, analysis, and existing land use conditions. He stated the existing conditions document is available on the project website for public comment, with comments due February 9th to be included in the workshop discussion. He noted comments will continue to be accepted until documents are finalized.

He further reported that the February 12th meeting will also include a discussion of proposed subdivision and zoning regulation changes, including short-term rental analysis, heat maps, and business registration data. Additional analysis is underway regarding usage and associated resort and lodging tax data.

Hanks stated the next council meeting will be held Tuesday, February 17th due to the holiday, at which time a mid-year budget update will be presented. He noted an open house will be held February 18th in council chambers, with the Study Commission meeting concurrently at the Public Works office.

He reported that short-term rentals and the existing conditions and land use plan will come before council on March 2nd. He stated the Teakettle Heights development application is being refined with the applicant and is anticipated to return to the Planning Commission in March.

Mr. Hanks reported that the City's new website is expected to go live in mid-February and will include enhanced public notification options. He announced the hiring of new Finance Director, Amy Farrell, with a start date of February 10th, and stated recruitment is ongoing for the Fire and Police Departments.

He reported that tree removal at Pinewood Park is nearly complete, with stump grinding and removal. He stated bids are currently open for the fishing pond accessibility project and park signage, with bid outcomes guiding future park improvements.

Mr. Hanks provided an overview of regional septic risk mapping, identifying high-risk areas near Aluminum City, east of Columbia Falls near Teakettle Boat Launch, and along Highway Two north of the airport. He stated the data will inform land use planning and future wastewater discussions.

Shirley Folkwein, 285 Shooting Star Drive, requested clarification on the sources and development of the existing conditions report and the public engagement schedule. City Manager Hanks clarified that the open house was moved to March and explained that the report was developed by the land use consultant using verified sources, focus group input, and agency data, and that public comments will continue to be accepted.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORT

Police Chief Stephens reported that six officers completed the three-day interview and interrogation training hosted by Columbia Falls Police Department at FVCC, noting the training is part of the department's core curriculum.

Mayor Barnhart requested that council members provide photos and brief biographies for public communication purposes.

ADJOURN: At 7:49 p.m. Councilor Price motioned to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Semok.

Mayor

City Clerk

CITY OF COLUMBIA FALLS
JOINT CITY COUNCIL & PLANNING COMMISSION WORKSHOP MINUTES
HELD JANUARY 26, 2026

REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 PM.

Mayor Barnhart called Meeting to order at 6:01 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Barnhart, Councilor King, Councilor Stob, Councilor Piper, Councilor Price, Councilor Robinson, Commissioner Fisher, Commissioner Ping, Commissioner Berube, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Kavanagh

ABSENT: Councilor Semok

Also present: City Manager Hanks, City Planner Mulcahy, Clerk Sobczak

NEW BUSINESS:

Nora Bland from Cushing Terrell presented the results of the community survey conducted as part of the Growth Policy update. The presenter stated that the survey received a strong response, with 374 respondents, noting that some questions allowed multiple responses and therefore exceeded 100 percent totals.

Bland reviewed key survey findings, including that respondents identified access to open space, public lands, clean air and water, recreational opportunities, and community friendliness as the City's greatest assets. Survey respondents ranked preservation of the natural environment, housing cost and availability, reliable infrastructure, recreational opportunities, and public safety as highly important considerations for the City's future.

Bland summarized responses describing how residents would like Columbia Falls to be described in the future, highlighting terms such as affordable, friendly, community-oriented, small-town, vibrant, clean, safe, and walkable. Positive changes over the past decade identified by respondents included economic development, downtown revitalization, parks and trail improvements, infrastructure investments, and increased community activities. Negative changes cited included rising housing costs, growth and development pressure, traffic, cost of living increases, loss of character, short-term rentals, and tourism impacts.

Bland noted that single-family homes were the most preferred housing type, while respondents also expressed openness to townhomes, duplexes, triplexes, apartments, and mixed-use development. Bland stated that a majority of respondents felt Columbia Falls has too many short-term rentals. Desired business types included full-service restaurants, neighborhood-scale commercial uses, recreation-based businesses, specialty shops, small-scale light industry, and personal services such as childcare.

Environmental priorities identified in the survey included protecting rivers and water quality, limiting floodplain development, preserving open space and wildlife habitat, promoting sustainable development practices, and expanding outdoor recreation opportunities. Transportation priorities included road maintenance and repair, additional off-street trails and paths, improved sidewalks and crosswalks, congestion reduction at key intersections, and traffic calming measures.

Demographic information from the survey indicated that nearly half of respondents live within the City, with most remaining respondents living elsewhere in Flathead County. A majority of respondents were age 35 or older, and most had lived in or around Columbia Falls for more than 15 years.

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City Manager Hanks stated that the survey results were generally consistent with feedback the City has received in recent years and that no major surprises were identified.

Bland then presented the Existing Conditions Report in greater detail. They explained that the planning area evaluated has remained largely unchanged since at least 2005 and includes lands outside City limits that influence growth patterns, infrastructure planning, and service delivery. While the City does not regulate land use outside its jurisdiction, conditions within the broader planning area directly affect housing demand, transportation networks, utilities, emergency services, and environmental resources within the City.

Environmental and natural resource conditions were addressed, including floodplains, wildlife habitat, river corridors, and open space. The consultants emphasized protecting water quality, limiting development in flood-prone areas, and maintaining wildlife corridors, particularly near the Flathead River and surrounding public lands. These features were described as both constraints on development and defining characteristics of the community.

Land use patterns were reviewed, noting that a significant portion of land within City limits is either built out, constrained by floodplain or environmental conditions, or underutilized but strategically located. As a result, future growth will rely heavily on infill development, redevelopment of underutilized parcels, and selective annexation near existing infrastructure.

Infrastructure conditions were discussed, including water, wastewater, transportation, parks, and public facilities. While core systems are generally functioning, many facilities are aging and will require reinvestment. Capacity constraints, particularly related to wastewater and key transportation corridors, were identified as important factors that will influence where and how growth can occur.

Demographic and economic trends were also reviewed. The consultants highlighted a decline in families with children, an aging population, and a growing share of working-age residents commuting into or out of Columbia Falls for employment. Wage growth was noted as lagging behind housing costs, contributing to affordability challenges, workforce shortages, and longer commuting distances.

Housing conditions were discussed, including limited housing supply, a predominance of single-family homes, and insufficient production of housing types that are more attainable for local workers, seniors, and young families. Demand for housing continues to outpace supply, particularly for affordable and workforce housing.

Transportation and mobility conditions were reviewed, including increased congestion, a high reliance on single-occupancy vehicles, and limited transportation options for non-driving populations. Opportunities to expand pedestrian, bicycle, and trail connectivity were identified as important for safety, affordability, and quality of life.

Bland discussed Columbia Falls' role as a gateway community to Glacier National Park and the resulting influence of tourism on land use, housing demand, transportation systems, and local services.

They stated that the Existing Conditions Report is intended to provide a factual foundation for future policy decisions and will inform development of growth policy goals, land use designations, and implementation strategies in later phases of the planning process. City Manager Hanks explained how the Existing Conditions Report and survey results are available online through the project website and that written public comments are being collected through an online survey as part of the formal public participation process.

Members of the City Council and the Planning Commission discussed the presentation. Mayor Barnhart expressed that the findings supported prior policy direction emphasizing use of existing infrastructure, increased density in appropriate locations, infill development, and development adjacent to current City limits. Mayor Barnhart also noted surprise at the number of workers commuting into and out of Columbia Falls.

Councilor Stob raised a question regarding how infill development, clustering, and updated zoning standards could accommodate growth while minimizing impacts to open space. The consultant and City staff explained the distinction between dedicated open space and privately owned undeveloped land and described tools such as open space dedication, clustering, and protection of sensitive areas. Discussion focused on balancing growth and development with preservation of open space, protecting wildlife habitat, and community character.

Council and Planning Commission members emphasized maintaining Columbia Falls community identity and expressed that affordability and community character are closely linked. Discussion highlighted the challenges of providing affordable single-family housing and the need to consider a broader mix of housing types, including townhomes, apartments, and condominiums, while still recognizing long-term aspirations for homeownership.

Additional discussion addressed employment trends, wage levels, and the role of higher-paying jobs and industrial uses, as well as the community's apparent acceptance of commuting patterns. Transportation, walkability, and multimodal options were discussed in relation to affordability, safety, and quality of life.

Public comment was opened at 6:38 PM.

A member of the public asked whether the survey questions were framed appropriately and whether questions should be asked tonight. Staff responded that there is opportunity tonight to answer some questions but feedback on the survey and existing conditions would be considered and future agendas would include further discussion.

Nathan Dugan, 121 Wisconsin Ave, Whitefish. Stated concern that Columbia Falls could follow a development pattern similar to Whitefish if survey results are not carefully interpreted. He encouraged the City to use the survey as guidance while maintaining Columbia Falls distinct community character and avoiding policies that could lead to displacement or loss of identity.

Tabitha Graves, 1105 Columbia Dr, Columbia Falls. Questioned the "should" portions of the Existing Conditions Report stating it was unclear in explaining how certain conclusions were reached. Bland and Hanks stated this report is grounded in recommendations for established planning and community development principles. Graves referenced the BNSF quiet zone. Hanks noted that funding will be required to obtain a quiet zone, but a plan is in place.

Russ Vukunich, 1495 Aluminum Dr, Columbia Falls. Stated that the report is a valuable tool for identifying next steps in the planning process. He noted the tension between community desires for affordability and growth pressures and questioned how the City can grow within the planning area while maintaining quality of life, particularly for single-family housing.

DJ Zor, 372 Badrock Dr, Columbia Falls. Commented that wildlife habitat and migration corridors, particularly related to the Bad Rock Wildlife Management Area, were not clearly addressed in the survey. He expressed confusion regarding the definition of open space and whether it referred to land within or outside City limits. He questioned if the city was working with nonprofits, such as Habitat for Humanity, to obtain affordable housing. He also raised concerns about national investment ownership of housing and questioned what tools may be available to address these issues.

Staff responded by describing ongoing coordination with Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks and nonprofit partners and explained how open space tools differ between urban and rural contexts, including parkland dedication requirements and the flexibility provided through planned unit developments. Clarification will be needed from the League of Cities since the PUD designation is unclear, but a meeting is scheduled. Many zoning regulations are already implemented through legislative changes made at the State level. Referencing back to the "should" question, the Land Use Plan is not a regulatory document so there will be a lot of "should", goals and policies and implementation. Commissioner Ping

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mentioned that other Cities have allowed aggregation of open space between separate developments and wonders if that has been considered. Mulcahy answered that it is included as cash-in-lieu.

Christen Wiles, 112 2nd Ave E, Columbia Falls. Asked for clarification on the definition of short-term rentals, noting that the survey referenced vacation rentals and questioning whether rentals of several months' duration were included. Bland clarified that the survey example referenced rentals of 30 days or less, consistent with common short-term rental definitions.

Keegan Stevenhaller 306 Lupfer Ave, Whitefish Expressed optimism regarding the survey results and supported an infill-focused growth strategy. He cautioned against patterns of gentrification observed in Whitefish and stated that denser housing types could help maintain Columbia Falls' community character. He noted that while single-family housing is desired, current conditions suggest prioritizing housing types that serve the majority of residents.

Ann Scott Markel, 520 Bad Rock Dr, Columbia Falls. Asked about ongoing lawsuits related to parking requirements and other lawsuits regarding land use. Staff responded that the only thing put back in was public process, while other adopted regulations remain in effect.

Peter Metcalf, 234 1st Ave E, Columbia Falls. Stated that the survey strongly reflected community values related to nature and open space. He asked how the survey results would inform the remainder of the planning process. Bland responded that community input is one of the two main inputs in forming the Land Use Plan along with existing condition data and planning best practices. He discussed the importance of wildlife corridors, open space tools, and coordination with transportation projects such as highway improvements and bicycle connectivity.

Shirley Folkwein, 285 Shooting Star Dr, Columbia Falls. Stated appreciation for the process and noted strong attendance by elected and appointed officials. She supported recommendations emphasizing infill development and development adjacent to existing services and stated she is not opposed to development but supports sensible, well-planned growth. She asked about focus group selection and representation of younger residents.

City Manager Hanks responded by explaining the focus group selection process, noting that invitations were extended to a range of subject-matter experts, nonprofits, agencies, and community organizations, and that additional public input is welcomed.

Colton Little, 3195 Highway 206, Columbia Falls. Expressed support for the engagement process and emphasized the importance of infill development and zoning that already allows appropriate growth. He encouraged outreach to younger populations and discussed the importance of transportation options, including transit, walkability, and intercity connections, for affordability and access to employment.

Roger Hopkins, 949 Vans Ave, Columbia Falls Stated that the presentation was a useful conversation starter. He commented on business preferences reflected in the survey and asked about jurisdictional area of the city. Planner Mulcahy responded the City jurisdiction for this Land Use Plan is about a mile outside of City limits for planning purposes. He asked clarifying questions regarding population growth rates used for utilities versus land use planning.

City Manager Hanks responded that higher growth rates are used for water and wastewater infrastructure planning, 2.3%, while lower growth assumptions are used for land use planning purposes, 1.8%.

Becky Williams, 62 Crescent Dr, Columbia Falls. Stated that she has lived in Columbia Falls for 20 years and noted perceived contradictions between desires for single-family housing, limited land availability, and open space protection. She expressed concern about expansion of short-term rentals and development occurring in floodplain areas.

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Charles Lapp, 3230 Columbia Falls Stage Rd, Columbia Falls. Commented on the difficulty of maintaining long-term affordability without third-party mechanisms. He stated that affordable housing often requires partnerships or tools that preserve affordability over time and noted that market forces alone may not achieve long-term affordability goals.

Public comment was closed at 7:36 PM.

ADJOURNMENT – Meeting duly adjourned at 7:36 PM

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk



COLUMBIA FALLS MONTANA

Item No.5.

Agenda Item Summary

Title: Communications Consultant Contract Extension – Maven Ops, LLC

Date: February 12, 2026

Staff Contact: City Manager Hanks

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY: City requires the support from a communications consultant to maintain a professional social media and communications foundation for the City of Columbia Falls. Public communication outreach ensures transparent, consistent, and engaging public communications that strengthen the connection between the City, residents, businesses, and visitors. The City conducted a 3-month pilot project from November-January to establish and improve social media outreach. The pilot project was successful and City Staff is recommending extending this contract.

DISCUSSION:

- Objectives
 - o Establish a coordinated, public-facing presence across key social media platforms.
 - o Directly support City Council priority to increase communication, transparency, civic education, and accessibility of City information.
 - o Strengthen engagement with residents, businesses, and community partners.
- Key Tasks
 - o Social Media Platform Setup:
 - City: Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn
 - Police Department: Facebook, Instagram
 - Fire Department: Facebook, Instagram
 - o Create a foundational messaging guide and establish consistent brand tone.
 - o Implement a communications and community engagement strategy.
 - o Provide monthly summaries of progress, analytics, and recommendations.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS:

- \$1,500/month (\$750/month from each the General Fund and STEP Grant)
- Contract extension will be evaluated annually; aligned with FY budget development.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: In the consent agenda, authorize the City Manager to sign a communications consulting contract with Maven Ops, LLC following a successful 3-month pilot.

Professional Services Agreement

Between MavenOps ("Consultant") and City of Columbia Falls ("Client")

Effective Date

February 1, 2026

Term

5 months (through June 30, 2026) and then reviewed annually

1. Scope of Work

MavenOps will provide communications consulting services for the City of Columbia Falls and the Columbia Falls Police Department, in accordance with the approved strategy. MavenOps will meet weekly with the Police Chief and/or City Manager.

A. City of Columbia Falls Communications Strategy & Execution

- Establish and manage official social-media platforms (Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn).
- Coordinate city-wide messaging, event promotion, and community engagement.
- Align all digital communications with the new city website and leadership initiatives.

B. Police Department Communications Strategy & Execution

- In support of Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) program priorities, develop and implement communication campaigns promoting DUI awareness and community highway safety.
- Produce and distribute creative content (graphics, videos, messaging).
- Coordinate with city and police leadership for community outreach and education.

2. Term and Payment

This agreement is effective February 1, 2026 and concludes June 30, 2026. Contract extensions will be reviewed annually during the fiscal year budget development cycle.

The City of Columbia Falls agrees to compensate MavenOps as follows:

- \$750 per month for City of Columbia Falls Communications Strategy & Execution
- \$750 per month for Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Communications Strategy & Execution

Total Monthly Compensation: \$1,500

Payments are due on the 1st of each month via check or ACH transfer to MavenOps.

3. Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure

MavenOps acknowledges that, in the course of providing services, it may have access to confidential or proprietary information belonging to the City of Columbia Falls and/or the Columbia Falls Police Department. This obligation of confidentiality remains in effect during and after the termination of this agreement.

MavenOps agrees to:

- Maintain the confidentiality of all internal discussions, records, plans, and data.
- Not disclose or share such information with any third party without prior written consent from the City.
- Use confidential information solely for the purpose of fulfilling this agreement.

4. Independent Contractor Relationship

MavenOps is engaged as an independent contractor. Nothing in this agreement creates an employer-employee relationship between the City of Columbia Falls and MavenOps or its representatives. MavenOps is responsible for all taxes, insurance, and liabilities arising from its operations.

5. Ownership of Work

All materials and deliverables produced under this agreement shall be considered work-for-hire and become the property of the City of Columbia Falls upon full payment. MavenOps may retain limited rights to reference non-confidential work for portfolio or case-study purposes with prior written consent from the City.

6. Termination

Either party may terminate this agreement with 15 days' written notice. MavenOps shall be compensated for all work completed up to the termination date.

7. Entire Agreement

This document constitutes the entire agreement between MavenOps and the City of Columbia Falls and supersedes any prior understandings. Amendments must be in writing and signed by both parties.

8. Primary Points of Contact

For the City of Columbia Falls:

Eric Hanks, City Manager
130 6th Street West, Columbia Falls, MT 59912
citymanager@cityofcolumbiafalls.com | 406-892-4384

For the Columbia Falls Police Department:

Chief Chad Stephens, Chief of Police
stephens@colfallsmtn.com | 406-892-3234

For MavenOps:

Lauren Manley, Founder & Principal Consultant
Lauren@MavenOps.org | 305-987-5666

Signatures

City of Columbia Falls

By: _____
Name/Title: Eric Hanks, City Manager
Date: _____

MavenOps

By: _____
Name/Title: Lauren Manley, Founder & Principal Consultant
Date: _____



COLUMBIA FALLS MONTANA

City Council Agenda Item Summary

Title: Hillside Geotechnical Investigation (2nd Ave E) Change Order No. 1

Date: February 11, 2026

Staff Contact: Shawn Bates, PWD

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY: City staff recommends approval of Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$5,000 to Alpine Geotechnical Engineering for additional laboratory testing and field investigation.

BACKGROUND: In June 2024, the hillside along 2nd Avenue East experienced a slope failure triggered by a waterline service leak combined with a significant rainfall event. The City initiated an emergency response, contracting a tree service to mitigate immediate hazards. A total of nine hazardous trees were removed as part of the emergency mitigation effort.

ANALYSIS: The City retained Alpine Geotechnical Engineering to perform a geotechnical investigation evaluating the slope stability of the 2nd Ave E hillside. The scope of work included three vertical borings—two located at the top of the slope and one at the toe.

Based on laboratory evaluation of the subsurface materials obtained from the borings, certain soil classifications were identified that required additional testing to further characterize their engineering properties and stability implications.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS: The original contract amount for the geotechnical investigation was \$35,000. Change Order No. 1, which includes additional laboratory testing and supplemental field investigation, is in the amount of \$5,000.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the City Manager to sign Change Order No. 1 for additional laboratory testing and field investigation.

ATTACHMENTS: Change Order No. 1 – Alpine Geotechnical Engineering.

CHANGE ORDER # 1Change Order No: Date of Issuance: 1/30/2026 Effective Date: _____

Project: 2 nd Avenue East Hillside	Owner: City of Columbia Falls	Owner's Contract No.:
Contract: 2 nd Avenue East Hillside Geotechnical Proposal	Date of Contract: 7/16/2025	
Contractor: Alpine Geotechnical, LLC	Engineer's Project No.: 25-864	

The Contract Documents are modified as follows upon execution of this Change Order:Description: Additional laboratory testing and increased costs of field investigationAttachments: (List documents supporting change): Unit Rate Estimates showing differences**CHANGE IN CONTRACT PRICE:**

Original Contract Price:

\$35,000**CHANGE IN CONTRACT TIMES:**

Original Contract Times: _____ Calendar days

Substantial completion (days or date): _____

Ready for final payment (date): _____

[Increase] [Decrease] from previously
approved Change Orders No. N/A to N/A[Increase] [Decrease] from previously
approved Change Orders No. to No.: _____

Substantial completion (days): _____

Ready for final payment (days): _____

Contract Price prior to this Change Order:

Contract Times prior to this Change Order: _____

Substantial completion (days): _____

Ready for final payment (date): _____

Increase/Decrease of this Change Order:**\$5,000**

[Increase] [Decrease] of this Change Order: _____

Substantial completion (days): _____

Ready for final payment (date): _____

Contract Price incorporating this Change Order: Contract Times with all approved Change Orders:

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\$40,000

Substantial completion (days):__

Ready for final payment (date):__

RECOMMENDED:

ACCEPTED:

ACCEPTED:

By: Kagan Rutz By: _____ By: _____

Kagan Rutz - Principal

Engineer (Alpine Geotechnical)

Owner (Authorized Signature)

Contractor (Authorized Signature)

Date:1/30/2026

Date:_____

Date: _____

Approved by Funding Agency (if applicable):_____ Date:_____

Project: 2nd Ave E Hillside Columbia Falls - Original Proposal

	Units	Unit	Unit cost	Total cost
Overall Project Tasks				
Project set up + proposal	4	hour	\$150.00	\$600.00
Utility locates/Staking	2	hour	\$90.00	\$180.00
			Subtotal:	\$780.00

Field Investigation and Report					
Kalispell	Hollow Stem Auger or SCPT drill crew mobe/demobe	0	each	\$600.00	\$0.00
	ODEX Casing Advancer or Rock Coring drill crew mobe/demobe	0	each	\$800.00	\$0.00
	Excavator/Test Pit/Solid Stem auger drill crew mobe/demobe	0	each	\$600.00	\$0.00
	Drill crew only mobe/demobe	0	each	\$200.00	\$0.00
Flathead Valley	Hollow Stem Auger or SCPT drill crew mobe/demobe	1	each	\$750.00	\$750.00
	ODEX Casing Advancer or Rock Coring drill crew mobe/demobe	0	each	\$900.00	\$0.00
	Excavator/Test Pit/Solid Stem auger drill crew mobe/demobe	0	each	\$750.00	\$0.00
	Drill crew only mobe/demobe	0	each	\$300.00	\$0.00
Outside Flathead Valley	Drill Rig Travel per mile	0	mile	\$7.00	\$0.00
	Support truck travel per mile	0	mile	\$3.00	\$0.00
	375 cfm trailer mounted air compressor per mile	0	mile	\$1.00	\$0.00
	Work truck (half ton) per mile	0	mile	\$1.00	\$0.00
	Per Diem Meals per person per day	0	meals	\$100.00	\$0.00
	Lodging (cost + 15%)	0	nights	\$200.00	\$0.00
Out of Pocket Expenses	Monitoring Well Supplies	0	each		\$0.00
	Asphalt Patch	2	each	\$50.00	\$100.00
	Shelby Tubes	0	each		\$0.00
	Sonic Subcontract Drilling	1	each	\$22,205.00	\$22,205.00
	Bulk Direct Shear Testing	2	each	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
		0	each		\$0.00

<i>Investigation Methods</i>	Site clearing/snow removal	0	each	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
	Drill Time, 2-person crew/Excavation hourly	0	hour	\$300.00	\$0.00
	Drill Time, 3-person crew	6	hour	\$400.00	\$2,400.00
	ODEX/ Rock Coring, 3-person	0	hour	\$500.00	\$0.00
	CPT pushes	0	each	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
<i>Analysis</i>	Geologist for lab test setup, boring logs, etc.	10	hour	\$115.00	\$1,150.00
	Staff engineer time analysis/report	20	hour	\$115.00	\$2,300.00
	Engineer time for review	6	hour	\$160.00	\$960.00
	Engineering site visit during construction	0	each	\$600.00	\$0.00
				Subtotal:	\$31,865.00

General Laboratory testing

Moisture content of SPT samples	20	each	\$20.00	\$400.00
Sieve analysis through No. 200	6	each	\$165.00	\$990.00
Sieve analysis hydrometer	0	each	\$165.00	\$0.00
Coarse above #4 sieve	0	each	\$85.00	\$0.00
Liquid-plastic limit	6	each	\$165.00	\$990.00
Soil Specific Gravity	0	each	\$165.00	\$0.00
Standard Proctor	0	each	\$250.00	\$0.00
Modified Proctor	0	each	\$300.00	\$0.00
CBR with proctor	0	each	\$600.00	\$0.00
Unit weight & moisture content tube sample	0	each	\$100.00	\$0.00
One-dimensional consolidation to 8 ksf	0	each	\$350.00	\$0.00
One-dimensional swell/collapse	0	each	\$150.00	\$0.00
Unconfined Compressive Strength Test	0	each	\$250.00	\$0.00
Permeability Test	0	each	\$250.00	\$0.00

Subtotal:	\$2,380.00
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Rock Core Testing

Unit weight core sample	0	each	\$100.00	\$0.00
Unconfined Compressive Strength Test Rock Core	0	each	\$300.00	\$0.00

Subtotal:	\$0.00
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Special Tests

Field Resistivity	0	each		\$0.00
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Subtotal:	\$0.00
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Infiltration Testing

double ring infiltrometer test (with excavator + mobe)	0	each	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Ksat Test	0	each		\$0.00

DEQ 4	0	each	\$0.00
Subtotal:			\$0.00

Total:	\$35,025.00
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Project: 2nd Ave E Hillside Columbia Falls - Revised 1/9/26

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Overall Project Tasks				
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Utility locates/Staking	2	hour	\$90.00	\$180.00
			Subtotal:	\$780.00

Field Investigation and Report					
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	Work truck (half ton) per mile	0	mile	\$1.00	\$0.00
	Per Diem Meals per person per day	0	meals	\$100.00	\$0.00
	Lodging (cost + 15%)	0	nights	\$200.00	\$0.00
Out of Pocket Expenses	4" PVC Liner for boreholes	1	each	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
	Field Logging Sonic Borings - 2 person (2 days)	20	each	\$150.00	\$3,000.00
	Shelby Tubes	5	each	\$30.00	\$150.00
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<i>Analysis</i>	Geologist for lab test setup, boring logs, etc.	6	hour	\$115.00	\$690.00
	Staff engineer time analysis/report	18	hour	\$115.00	\$2,070.00
	Engineer time for review	4	hour	\$160.00	\$640.00
	Engineering site visit during construction	0	each	\$600.00	\$0.00
				Subtotal:	\$36,900.00

General Laboratory testing

Moisture content of SPT samples	40	each	\$20.00	\$800.00
Sieve analysis through No. 200	5	each	\$165.00	\$825.00
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One-dimensional consolidation to 8 ksf	0	each	\$350.00	\$0.00
One-dimensional swell/collapse	0	each	\$150.00	\$0.00
Unconfined Compressive Strength Test	0	each	\$250.00	\$0.00
Permeability Test	0	each	\$250.00	\$0.00

Subtotal:	\$2,320.00
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Rock Core Testing

Unit weight core sample	0	each	\$100.00	\$0.00
Unconfined Compressive Strength Test Rock Core	0	each	\$300.00	\$0.00

Subtotal:	\$0.00
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Special Tests

Field Resistivity	0	each		\$0.00
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Ksat Test	0	each		\$0.00

DEQ 4	0	each	\$0.00
Subtotal:			\$0.00

Total: \$40,000.00

GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION REPORT

**2nd Avenue East Hillside
Columbia Falls, Montana**

**Alpine Geotechnical Project No. 25-864
January 26, 2026**



Prepared for:



Prepared by:



**120 Round Stone Drive, Suite 101
Kalispell, Montana 59901
406.257.6479**



January 26, 2026

City of Columbia Falls Public Works
130 6th Street West
Columbia Falls, MT 59912

Attn: Shawn Bates – Public Works Director
bates@cityofcolumbiafalls.com

Re: Report of Geotechnical Investigation
2nd Avenue East Hillside
Columbia Falls, Montana

Dear Shawn Bates:

Alpine Geotechnical, LLC (Alpine) has completed a geotechnical investigation at the above noted location. We were asked to provide geotechnical information and recommendations needed to assist with hillside stabilization near the intersection of 6th Street East and 2nd Avenue East in Columbia Falls, Montana. The results of our field investigation, observations, laboratory test results, engineering analysis, exploration location plan, and boring logs are included in this report. These services were provided in accordance with our proposal dated July 16, 2025, and authorization to proceed.

If you have any questions concerning this report, or if we may be of further service to you, please contact us.

Sincerely,
ALPINE GEOTECHNICAL, LLC

Reviewed By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kagan Rutz".

Kagan Rutz, P.E.
Principal/Senior Engineer



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GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION REPORT

**2nd Avenue East Hillside
Columbia Falls, Montana**

Alpine Geotechnical Project No. 25-864
January 26, 2026

INTRODUCTION

Alpine Geotechnical has completed a subsurface investigation of a slope failure near 611 2nd Avenue East in Columbia Falls, Montana. In accordance with our proposal, a total of two (2) sonic borings were drilled along the top of the slope, and one (1) hollow stem auger boring was drilled along the base of the slope to investigate subsurface conditions within the slope failure area. The purposes of this report are to describe the subsurface conditions encountered in the borings, present test data, and provide geotechnical recommendations with regard to existing slope stability and remediation.

SITE CONDITIONS

The slope failure is located along a continuous bluff that is oriented northeast to southwest, which borders the east side of downtown Columbia Falls. The failure occurred on June 11, 2024, as a result of torrential rain events coupled with a leaking city water service that led to oversaturation of the slope, which triggered the main failure. Some minor slope movements have been observed since the time of the main failure over a year ago.

Slope profiles were measured by Alpine during the field investigation on November 19, 2025. The overall slope height in the area of the failure is approximately 70 feet +/- . The geometry of the slope is fairly uniform along the upper and lower portions of the slope with an overall inclination of approximately 1.75H:1V; however, a relatively flat bench or terrace is located midway down the slope. The failure itself is located along an over steepened portion of the slope just beyond the midway bench. The over steepened area is approximately 10 feet tall with an inclination of 0.8H:1V, which has formed the head scarp of the failure with no vegetative cover. The head scarp is approximately 70 feet wide, and the toe or bottom of the failure area terminates near the base of the overall slope. Photos of the slope failure are included in **Appendix C**.

EXPLORATION PROCEDURES

Field Exploration

Subsurface exploration took place November 17, 2025, and included two (2) sonic borings, designated SB-1 and SB-2 drilled near the slope crest to depths ranging from 86 to 90 feet below existing grade. In addition, a single auger boring was drilled at the base of the slope to a depth of 17

feet. An exploration location plan showing the boring locations on aerial imagery is included in **Appendix A**.

The sonic borings were advanced using a track mounted sonic drill rig (Geoprobe 8150 LS) using 6-inch outer and 4-inch inner casing owned and operated by O'Keefe Drilling. The auger boring was advanced using a truck mounted, rotary drill rig (Diedrich D50) using continuous flight hollow-stem augers owned and operated by Alpine Geotechnical. Representative samples were obtained by split-barrel sampling methods in general accordance with ASTM D1586, where the standard penetration resistance value (SPT-N) is recorded by counting the number of blows required to advance a standard 2-inch outside diameter split-barrel sampler 12 inches following the initial 6-inch seating penetration. The energy in the SPT test is delivered by a 140-pound hammer with a free fall of 30 inches. The SPT-N value is used to estimate the in-situ relative density of cohesionless soils and consistency of cohesive soils. Representative undisturbed samples were recovered with a thin-walled tube sampler in general accordance with ASTM D1587, where a nominal 3-inch outside diameter galvanized tube with a beveled cutting edge is pushed hydraulically through fine-grained subgrade materials to obtain a relatively intact soil sample suitable for compressibility, permeability, strength, and density testing. Collected samples were tagged for identification, sealed to reduce moisture loss, and taken to our laboratory for further examination, testing, and classification. Information provided on the boring logs attached to this report includes soil descriptions, consistency evaluations, boring depths, sampling intervals, and groundwater conditions. The borings were backfilled by the drill crew with auger cuttings at the conclusion of each boring.

A field log of each boring was prepared by our staff engineer. These logs included visual classifications of the subsurface materials encountered during drilling as well as interpretation of the subsurface conditions between samples. Final logs included with this report represent field visual classifications, modified as needed based on laboratory tests of the samples. Based on our field classifications and laboratory test results, the estimated group symbol for each stratum is shown on the logs, according to the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS).

SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

Geology

The site is located in Columbia Falls, Montana, which lies in the Rocky Mountain Trench bounded by the Salish Mountains to the west and the Swan Range to the east. These mountain ranges were formed during Tertiary tectonic activity in which Precambrian Belt rocks were faulted and uplifted. Pleistocene mountain and continental glaciation advanced generally southeastward through the trench in the vicinity of Whitefish depositing generally competent till soils beneath the base of the ice sheet. As the glaciers retreated, a sequence of weaker lakebed and outwash alluvial soils were deposited over the glacial till as meltwater accumulated in areas where drainage was impeded by morainal features. The specific near-surface geology for the project site consists of glacial outwash gravels and sands, which transitions to predominately fine-grained glacial lake deposits at depth.

Soil Conditions

Based on the results of the sonic borings, subsurface conditions throughout the slope can be generalized as 6 to 9 feet of previously placed road embankment fill materials atop native soils. The fill materials primarily consist of silt with gravel and silty gravel with sand. The native soils beneath the fill primarily consist of poorly graded gravel and silty gravel with sand that extends to depths of approximately 37 to 38 feet below existing grade. The native gravel encountered in the upper 40 feet is predominately medium dense, based on Standard Penetration Test (SPT) N-values that range from 19 to 30 blows per foot. The native gravel is underlain by highly interbedded soils consisting predominately of silt, silty sand, and infrequent zones of lean clay or silty clay, which extends to the total depth explored (90 feet +/-). The consistency of the interbedded fine-grained soils is highly variable, ranging from very stiff to very soft, with Standard Penetration Test (SPT) N-values that range from 17 to 0 blows per foot. The boring logs in **Appendix A** should be reviewed for detailed subsurface descriptions at each investigation location.

Laboratory Testing

Representative portions of each recovered sample obtained during the field investigation were sealed in air tight containers and transported to our laboratory for further visual and laboratory examination. Each sample obtained during the field investigation was tested for natural moisture content. Selected samples were tested for particle size (ASTM C117 & C136), liquid limit, plastic limit, and plasticity index (ASTM D4318), consolidated drained and undrained direct shear (ASTM D3080 & ASTM D6528), and consolidated undrained triaxial compression (ASTM D4767) to aid in soil classification and to provide input for our analyses. A description of the laboratory test results for each project site is included in the **Soil Conditions** section of this report, and complete results of the laboratory tests are attached in **Appendix B**. Based on our field classifications and laboratory test results, the estimated group symbol for each stratum is shown on the logs, according to the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). A brief description of the USCS is attached to this report in **Appendix B**, along with General Notes that provide explanation of the USCS.

Particle size testing (ASTM C117 & C136) of soils taken from the borings are shown in the table below:

Boring	Depth (ft)	Passing No. 4 (%)	Passing No. 200 (%)	Classification
DH-1	13.5	26	3	Poorly graded GRAVEL with sand (GP)
SB-1	10.0	57	22	Silty GRAVEL with sand (GM)
SB-2	32.0	22	5	Poorly graded GRAVEL with sand (GP)
SB-2	37.0	100	26	Silty SAND (SM)

SB-2	45.7	100	92	SILT trace sand (ML)
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Liquid-limit, plastic limit, and plasticity index testing (ASTM D4318) of soils taken from select borings are shown in the table below:

Boring	Depth (ft)	Liquid Limit (%)	Plasticity Index (%)	Classification
SB-2	45.7	NV	NP	SILT (ML)
SB-2	46.2	30	7	Silty CLAY (CL-ML)
SB-2	55.0	21	3	SILT (ML)

A series of consolidated drained and undrained direct shear tests was conducted on portions of five (5) thin-walled tube samples from Borings SB-1 and SB-2 at various depths. Additionally, one (1) consolidated undrained triaxial compression test was conducted on a portion of a thin-walled tube sample from Boring SB-1. The results of these tests are included in **Appendix B**.

Groundwater Conditions

The borings were observed during and immediately after completion for the presence and level of groundwater. Static groundwater was encountered in upper Borings SB-1 and SB-2 at a depth of approximately 60 feet +/- below existing grade. Static groundwater was encountered in the lower Boring DH-1 at a depth of approximately 8 feet +/- below existing grade. Groundwater seep zones were observed along the surface of the lower portions of the slope during our initial site reconnaissance in the late spring/early summer months.

It should be recognized that fluctuations of the groundwater table will occur due to seasonal variations in the amount of rainfall, runoff, and other hydrologic factors not evident at the time the borings were performed. Therefore, groundwater levels during slope repair or at other times in the future may vary relative to the conditions indicated on the logs.

ENGINEERING RECOMMENDATIONS

Slope Stability Analyses

To accurately assess the slope failure, Alpine has provided comprehensive slope stability analyses based on our drilled locations along the slope. The slope sections used in our analyses were measured during the field investigation by Alpine. Following initial stability analyses, a single slope section was identified and specifically analyzed for the critical condition based upon the maximum slope inclination measured in the field. The maximum overall slope height in this area is on the order of 70 feet +/-.

Stability models were conducted using the program EnSlope v2025 to compute 2-dimensional, limiting equilibrium solutions by the Modified Bishop Method for circular arc failure surfaces at the slope sections noted above. In the limiting equilibrium approach, factors of safety are computed

for various potential failure surfaces by comparing resisting moments to driving moments. That is, if resisting and driving moments for the failure mass are equal, the factor of safety is $FS = 1.0$ and failure impends. If resistance, or shear strength along a failure surface, exceeds the driving or destabilizing influences, then the factor of safety increases. Typically, a minimum factor of safety $FS = 1.3$ is desired for in-situ, static conditions and $FS = 1.0$ is desired for seismic conditions. Detailed results of each slope model case are shown in **Appendix C**.

Subsurface conditions and soil shear strength parameters for our analyses were generated by Alpine based upon the drill results and laboratory testing, specifically direct shear and triaxial compression testing. Peak ground accelerations used within the slope models was based on mapping by the US Geological Survey for the project latitude and longitude, which indicates an estimated horizontal peak ground acceleration of $0.30g$ with a 98 percent probability of non-exceedance each year period, which corresponds to a return period of 2475 years.

Our analyses focused on two different scenarios, the current or existing slope condition, and following slope remediation via regrading. In all of these scenarios the groundwater/seepage zone was established at about 50 feet below the existing grade, which corresponds to the groundwater level encountered during the drilling along the crest of the slope. A near surface seasonal seep zone was also established along the lower portion of the slope based on our field observations. A building surcharge load of 500 pounds per square foot (psf) was applied to the residential buildings situated along the base of the slope and a uniform traffic surcharge load of 250 psf was applied to model the effects of the street near the slope crest.

Based on our analyses, we conclude the existing failed slope is still relatively unstable and slope remediation is highly recommended. Factors of safety values for the existing condition were significantly less than 1 for both static and seismic conditions indicating high probability of continued slope movement. However, the generated failure surfaces in our models are relatively shallow and localized indicating low risk of larger, deep-seated mass movements. This is mainly attributed to the failure consisting of near-surface granular and cohesionless soils (sands and gravels). Based on our modeled results and site observations, we anticipate the over steepened areas of the slope near the head scarp of the failure will continue to slowly erode causing additional minor slope failures. To address this, we have determined that slope regrading along the central portion of the slope will adequately mitigate continued slope movements and increase long-term stability.

Slope Remediation Recommendations

Based on the results of our field investigation and slope stability modeling, we recommend slope regrading to repair the existing slope failure and mitigate future slope movements. Our analysis indicates that regrading to a uniform slope inclination of 1.75H:1V or shallower across the entire slope face will provide adequate long-term stability by increasing factors of safety greater than 1.3 for static conditions and greater than 1.0 for seismic conditions. Detailed slope models showing the regraded slope condition and resulting factors of safety are included in **Appendix C**.

Prior to slope regrading we recommend that Alpine defines the bounds of excavation to ensure minimal disturbance to surrounding vegetation and stable slope areas. Based on our slope measurements, we recommend only the central portion of the slope is regraded to achieve a uniform slope inclination. Prior to regrading, we recommend installation of a catchment fence/barrier along the base of the slope to capture any falling debris (i.e., rocks, trees, etc.) from on slope activities and ensure safety of the lower residential sites. All regrading work should be accomplished using top to bottom cut and fill excavation methods. Any existing toppled trees and stumps should be removed from the site; however, we do not recommend removal of excess soils from the site. Instead, any excess cut soils should be simply pushed downslope and used as fill/buttrressing along the lower portions of the slope. All fill materials placed should be thoroughly compacted using static methods (i.e., sheepsfoot bucket rollers).

Following slope regrading, we recommend revegetation of the regraded and disturbed areas. Immediately following regrading, we recommend installation of coir mesh mats along all disturbed areas to mitigate erosion and assist with revegetation. Following installation of the coir mesh mats we recommend thorough reseeding with deep rooted native grasses and plants (i.e., tall fescue) followed by placement of a thin layer, less than 2 inches, of topsoil to assist with seed germination and protect the seeded areas from erosion. In addition, we recommend planting of pine tree saplings such as western larch and ponderosa pine that have deep extensive root systems to provide additional slope stabilization. Slope repair areas should be continuously monitored to ensure adequate revegetation along the slope. We recommend repair work is done during the late spring and early summer to allow for adequate vegetation regrowth. We recommend Alpine is retained to provide extensive guidance during slope remediation to ensure conformance with our detailed recommendations presented herein.

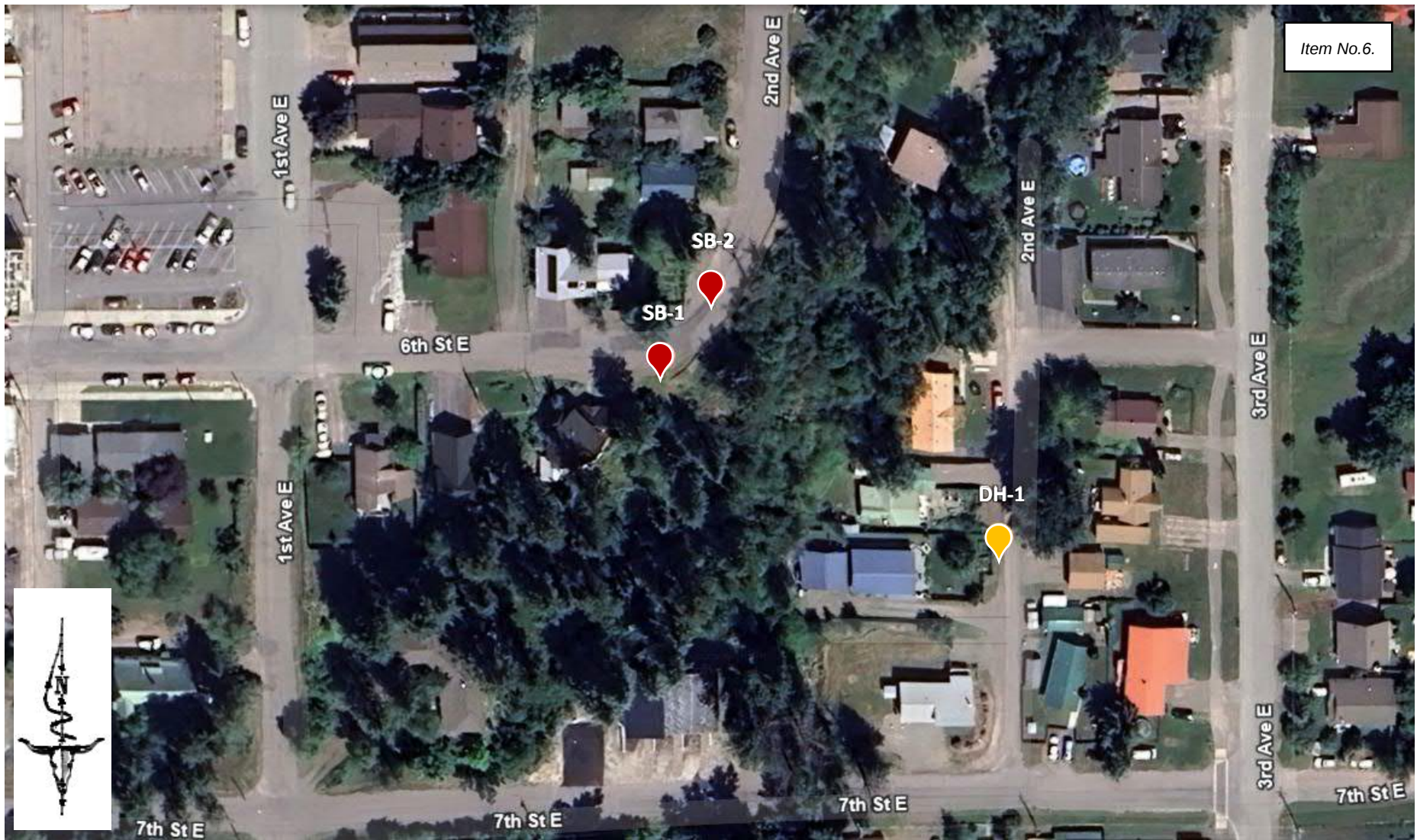
CLOSURE/LIMITATIONS

The analyses and recommendations presented in this report are based upon the data obtained from the borings performed at the indicated locations and from other information discussed in this report. This report does not reflect variations that may occur between investigation locations, across the site, or due to the modifying effects of weather. The nature and extent of such variations may not become evident until site work has commenced. If variations appear, Alpine should be immediately notified so that further evaluation and supplemental recommendations can be provided.

This report has been prepared for the exclusive use of our client for specific application to the project discussed and has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering practices. No warranties, either expressed or implied, are intended or made. Site safety is the responsibility of others. If significant time passes and/or site conditions change significantly, the conclusions and recommendations contained in this report shall not be considered valid unless Alpine Geotechnical reviews the changes and either verifies or modifies the conclusions of this report in writing.



APPENDIX A



Project No.	25-864	 120 Round Stone Drive Kalispell, MT 59901 PH. (406) 257-6479	Exploration Location Plan	Exhibit
Scale	NTS		2nd Ave East Hillside	
Date	11-19-25		Columbia Falls, Montana	- 50 -

GENERAL NOTES

DRILLING & SAMPLING SYMBOLS:

SS:	Split Spoon - 1- ³ / ₈ " I.D., 2" O.D., unless otherwise noted	HS:	Hollow Stem Auger
ST:	Thin-Walled Tube – 2" O.D., 3" O.D., unless otherwise noted	PA:	Power Auger (Solid Stem)
RS:	Ring Sampler - 2.42" I.D., 3" O.D., unless otherwise noted	HA:	Hand Auger
DB:	Diamond Bit Coring - 4", N, B	RB:	Rock Bit
BS:	Bulk Sample or Auger Sample	WB:	Wash Boring or Mud Rotary

The number of blows required to advance a standard 2-inch O.D. split-spoon sampler (SS) the last 12 inches of the total 18-inch penetration with a 140-pound hammer falling 30 inches is considered the "Standard Penetration" or "N-value".

WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENT SYMBOLS:

WL:	Water Level	WS:	While Sampling	BCR:	Before Casing Removal
WCI:	Wet Cave in	WD:	While Drilling	ACR:	After Casing Removal
DCI:	Dry Cave in	AB:	After Boring	N/E:	Not Encountered

Water levels indicated on the boring logs are the levels measured in the borings at the times indicated. Groundwater levels at other times and other locations across the site could vary. In pervious soils, the indicated levels may reflect the location of groundwater. In low permeability soils, the accurate determination of groundwater levels may not be possible with only short-term observations.

DESCRIPTIVE SOIL CLASSIFICATION: Soil classification is based on the Unified Soil Classification System. Coarse Grained Soils have more than 50% of their dry weight retained on a #200 sieve; their principal descriptors are: boulders, cobbles, gravel or sand. Fine Grained Soils have less than 50% of their dry weight retained on a #200 sieve; they are principally described as clays if they are plastic, and silts if they are slightly plastic or non-plastic. Major constituents may be added as modifiers and minor constituents may be added according to the relative proportions based on grain size. In addition to gradation, coarse-grained soils are defined on the basis of their in-place relative density and fine-grained soils on the basis of their consistency.

CONSISTENCY OF FINE-GRAINED SOILS

<u>Unconfined Compressive Strength, Qu, psf</u>	<u>Standard Penetration or N-value (SS) Blows/Ft.</u>	<u>Consistency</u>
< 500	0 - 1	Very Soft
500 – 1,000	2 - 4	Soft
1,000 – 2,000	4 - 8	Medium Stiff
2,000 – 4,000	8 - 15	Stiff
4,000 – 8,000	15 - 30	Very Stiff
8,000+	> 30	Hard

RELATIVE DENSITY OF COARSE-GRAINED SOILS

<u>Standard Penetration or N-value (SS) Blows/Ft.</u>	<u>Relative Density</u>
0 – 3	Very Loose
4 – 9	Loose
10 – 29	Medium Dense
30 – 50	Dense
> 50	Very Dense

RELATIVE PROPORTIONS OF SAND AND GRAVEL

<u>Descriptive Term(s) of other constituents</u>	<u>Percent of Dry Weight</u>
Trace	< 15
With	15 – 29
Modifier	≥ 30

GRAIN SIZE TERMINOLOGY

<u>Major Component of Sample</u>	<u>Particle Size</u>
Boulders	Over 12 in. (300mm)
Cobbles	12 in. to 3 in. (300mm to 75mm)
Gravel	3 in. to #4 sieve (75mm to 4.75mm)
Sand	#4 to #200 sieve (4.75 to 0.075mm)
Silt or Clay	Passing #200 Sieve (0.075mm)

RELATIVE PROPORTIONS OF FINES

<u>Descriptive Term(s) of other constituents</u>	<u>Percent of Dry Weight</u>
Trace	< 5
With	5 – 12
Modifier	> 12

PLASTICITY DESCRIPTION

<u>Term</u>	<u>Plasticity Index</u>
Non-plastic	0
Low	1-10
Medium	11-30
High	> 30

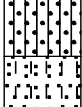
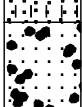
BORING LOG

NO.: DH-1

Item No.6.

Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside
 Client: City of Columbia Falls
 Coordinates: 48.37291, -114.17780
 Driller: Alpine Geotechnical
 Drill Rig: Diedrich D50
 Depth to Water- Initial ∇ : 7.8'

Project No.: 25-864
 Date: 11-18-25
 Elevation: Existing
 Logged By: Jeremy Primmer
 Drilling Method: Hollow Stem Augers
 After 24 hrs ∇ :

Depth (ft)	Moisture Content (%)	N Value	Standard Penetration Test	USCS	Description
0				FILL	Fill, poorly graded gravel with silt and sand (intermixed with organic silt topsoil in top 1"), brown, very moist, medium dense, (3/4" crushed base course), 6" thick
2	23	3			Fill, sandy silt, brown, very moist, soft
4					
6	35 34	2		CL-ML	Fill, lean clay intermixed with silt trace organics, brown/light brown, moist, soft Silty CLAY, brown, very moist, soft, with rust colored mottling
8	30	3		ML	SILT with sand, brown, very moist to wet, soft
10	33	2		ML	Sandy SILT with interbedded zones of silty sand, brown, wet, soft
12	28	34		SP-SM	Poorly graded SAND with silt, brown, wet, dense
14	10			GP	Poorly graded GRAVEL with sand, brown/purple/grey, wet, dense
16	9	42			Color change to grey/purple/green with 4" of heaving sand at 15.0'
					End of Boring DH-1 at 16.5'
18					
20					
22					
24					
26					

Groundwater Monitoring Well Installed to 15.0' in accordance with ARM 36.21.8

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BORING LOG

NO.: SB-1

Item No.6.

Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside
 Client: City of Columbia Falls
 Coordinates: 48.373267, -114.178745
 Driller: Alpine Geotechnical
 Drill Rig: Geoprobe 8150LS
 Depth to Water- Initial ∇ : 60.0'

Project No.: 25-864
 Date: 11-18-25
 Elevation: Existing
 Logged By: Teal Gayner
 Drilling Method: Sonic Drilling
 After 24 hrs ∇ : 70.0'

Depth (ft)	Moisture Content (%)	N Value	Standard Penetration Test	USCS	Description
0				FILL	Fill, organic silt topsoil with surficial grass, dark brown, moist, soft, 4" thick
2					Fill, silt trace sand intermixed with gravel/organics, dark brown, moist, medium stiff to very stiff
4					
6	18	22	3 6 16	GP-GM	Poorly graded GRAVEL with silt and sand, purple/brown, moist, medium dense, with cobbles and boulders
8	6				
10	5	27	13 13 14	GM	Silty GRAVEL with sand, red/purple/brown, moist, medium dense to dense, with cobbles and boulders
12					Very moist seep zone from 12.0'-14.0'
14					
16	3	30	16 20 10		
18					
20	3	29	13 13 16		Medium dense below 20.0'
22					Very moist seep zone from 22.0'-23.0'
24					
26	4	19	13 11 8		

4" Diameter PVC Sleeve Installed to 80.0'



LOG OF BORING

NO.: SB-1

Item No.6.

Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside

Project No.: 25-864

Depth (ft)	Moisture Content (%)	N Value	Standard Penetration Test	USCS	Description
28				GM	Very moist seep zone from 22.0'-23.0'
30	4	24			Very moist below 30.0'
32					
34					
36	3	26		GP-GM	Poorly graded GRAVEL with silt and sand, red/green/brown, very moist, medium dense, subrounded with cobbles and boulders
38				SM	Silty SAND, brown, very moist, medium dense
40	10	10		ML	SILT with sand, brown, very moist, very stiff to stiff
42	9				No sonic from 40.0'-45.0' (pushed straight down)
44	16	12		ML	Very moist to wet below 41.5'
46					SILT trace sand with interbedded zones of lean clay, brown, very moist to wet, stiff to medium stiff
48	28	5			
50	31			CL	Rapid dilatant silt at 47.5'
52	26	7		CL-ML	Lean CLAY, brown, very moist to wet, medium stiff
54					SILT trace sand, brown, very moist to wet, medium stiff
56	17	17		ML	Silty CLAY with interbedded zones of silt trace sand, brown, very moist/wet (seep zone from 52.5'-53.5'), medium stiff
58					SILT trace sand, brown, moist, very stiff
60				SM	Silty SAND with interbedded zones of silt, brown, wet, medium dense
					Inner barrel sank/dagged down by outer casing from 60.0'-62.0'

Figure A-2

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LOG OF BORING

NO.: SB-1

Item No.6.

Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside

Project No.: 25-864

Depth (ft)	Moisture Content (%)	N Value	Standard Penetration Test	USCS	Description
62	25			SM	Silty SAND with interbedded zones of silt, brown, wet, medium dense Inner barrel sank/dagged down by outer casing from 60.0'-62.0'
64	24	10		ML	SILT trace sand with interbedded zones of silty sand/silty clay, brown, wet, stiff, with rapid dilation
66					
68					
70	28	0			Very soft below 70.0' Inner barrel sank/dragged down by outer casing from 70.0'-71.5'
72					
74					
76	26				Medium stiff below 75.0' Inner barrel sank/dragged down by outer casing from 75.0'-79.0'
78	34 30	5			
80					
82					
84					
86					
88					
90	28	20			Color change to grey below 90.2' End of Boring SB-1 at 90.5'
92					

BORING LOG

NO.: SB-2

Item No.6.

Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside
 Client: City of Columbia Falls
 Coordinates: 48.373398, -114.178605
 Driller: Alpine Geotechnical
 Drill Rig: Geoprobe 8150LS
 Depth to Water- Initial ∇ : 59.0'

Project No.: 25-864
 Date: 11-19-25
 Elevation: Existing
 Logged By: Teal Gayner
 Drilling Method: Sonic Drilling
 After 24 hrs ∇ : 59.0'

Depth (ft)	Moisture Content (%)	N Value	Standard Penetration Test	USCS	Description
0				FILL	Fill, asphalt pavement, 4" thick (2" overlay over 2" weathered)
2					Fill, poorly graded gravel with silt and sand, brown, moist, medium dense, 6" thick
4					Fill, sandy silt with gravel intermixed with organic silt topsoil, dark brown, moist, stiff, 8" thick
6					Fill, silty gravel with sand, red/green/brown, moist, medium dense, with cobbles
8					
10	26	33	17 17 16	OL GM	Organic SILT topsoil intermixed with gravel, dark brown, very moist, stiff
12					Silty GRAVEL with silt and sand, red/green/brown, moist, dense, subrounded with cobbles and boulders
14					Only 2' of sample recovery in 10.0'-20.0' run, switched to 5' runs below 20.0'
16					
18					
20	2	22	11 12 10		
22					Very moist from 22.0'-30.0'
24					
26	4				Small diameter gravel (pea gravel sized) from 25.0'-30.0'

4" Diameter PVC Sleeve Installed to 80.0'

LOG OF BORING

NO.: SB-2

Item No.6.

Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside

Project No.: 25-864

Depth (ft)	Moisture Content (%)	N Value	Standard Penetration Test	USCS	Description
28				GM	Small diameter gravel (pea gravel sized) from 25.0'-30.0'
30	2	24		GP	Poorly graded GRAVEL with sand, red/green/brown, very moist, medium dense
32	3				Wet seep below 31.0'
34					
36					
38	6			SM	Silty SAND, brown, moist, medium dense
40	3			ML	SILT with sand trace gravel (coarse sand/pea gravel sized), grey, dry/moist, very stiff
42	4	14		ML	SILT trace sand, brown, very moist, stiff
44	15			SM	Silty SAND, brown, moist, medium dense
46	14			ML	SILT trace sand with interbedded zones of silty clay/sandy silt, brown, very moist, stiff
48	27				Wet seep zone from 43.5'-44.0'
50	23	12			Wet seep zone with rapid dilation from 48.0'-48.5'
52				CL	Lean CLAY with interbedded zones of rapid dilatant silt, brown, very moist, stiff, with intermittent wet seep zones
54				ML	Sandy SILT trace gravel with interbedded zones of silt trace sand, brown, very moist, stiff
56	15				
58	10	16		SM	Silty SAND with interbedded zones of silt trace sand, brown, very moist to wet, medium dense
60					

Figure A-3

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LOG OF BORING

NO.: SB-2

Item No.6.

Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside

Project No.: 25-864

Depth (ft)	Moisture Content (%)	N Value	Standard Penetration Test	USCS	Description
62				SM	Silty SAND with interbedded zones of silt trace sand, brown, very moist to wet, medium dense
64				ML	SILT trace sand with minimal interbedded lean clay zones, brown, wet, very stiff
66					Inner barrel sank/dragged down by outer casing from 65.0'-70.0'
68					
70				SM	Silty SAND, brown, wet, medium dense
72	29	10	2 5 5 8		
74	30 36			ML	SILT trace sand, brown, wet, stiff, with slow dilation Wet with rapid dilation from 74.0'-75.0'
76					
78	30				
80	22				
82					
84	28	20	5 10 10 14		
86					Wet with rapid dilation from 85.0'-86.0'
					End of Boring SB-2 at 86.0'
88					
90					
92					

Figure A-3

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SB-1 Photo Log



0.0'-----5.0'



5.0'-----10.0'



10.0'-----15.0'



15.0'-----20.0'



20.0'-----25.0'



25.0'-----30.0'



30.0'-----35.0'



35.0'-----40.0'



40.0'-----42.0'



42.0'-----45.0'



45.0'-----50.0'



50.0'-----55.0'



55.0'-----60.0'



60.0'-----70.0'



70.0'-----75.0'



75.0'-----80.0'



80.0'-----89.0'

SB-2 Photo Log



0.3'-----10.0'



10.0'-----20.0'



20.0'-----25.0'



25.0'-----30.0'



30.0'-----35.0'



35.0'-----40.0'



40.0'-----45.0'



45.0'-----55.0'



55.0'-----60.0'



60.0'-----70.0'



70.0'-----75.0'



75.0'-----80.0'



APPENDIX B

UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

Item No.6.

Criteria for Assigning Group Symbols and Group Names Using Laboratory Tests ^A					Soil Classification	
					Group Symbol	Group Name ^B
Coarse Grained Soils: More than 50% retained on No. 200 sieve	Gravels: More than 50% of coarse fraction retained on No. 4 sieve	Clean Gravels: Less than 5% fines ^C	Cu ≥ 4 and 1 ≤ Cc ≤ 3 ^E	GW	Well-graded gravel ^F	
			Cu < 4 and/or 1 > Cc > 3 ^E	GP	Poorly graded gravel ^F	
		Gravels with Fines: More than 12% fines ^C	Fines classify as ML or MH	GM	Silty gravel ^{F,G, H}	
			Fines classify as CL or CH	GC	Clayey gravel ^{F,G,H}	
	Sands: 50% or more of coarse fraction passes No. 4 sieve	Clean Sands: Less than 5% fines ^D	Cu ≥ 6 and 1 ≤ Cc ≤ 3 ^E	SW	Well-graded sand ^I	
			Cu < 6 and/or 1 > Cc > 3 ^E	SP	Poorly graded sand ^I	
		Sands with Fines: More than 12% fines ^D	Fines classify as ML or MH	SM	Silty sand ^{G,H,I}	
			Fines Classify as CL or CH	SC	Clayey sand ^{G,H,I}	
Fine-Grained Soils: 50% or more passes the No. 200 sieve	Silts and Clays: Liquid limit less than 50	Inorganic:	PI > 7 and plots on or above “A” line ^J	CL	Lean clay ^{K,L,M}	
			PI < 4 or plots below “A” line ^J	ML	Silt ^{K,L,M}	
		Organic:	Liquid limit - oven dried	< 0.75	OL	Organic clay ^{K,L,M,N}
			Liquid limit - not dried			Organic silt ^{K,L,M,O}
	Silts and Clays: Liquid limit 50 or more	Inorganic:	PI plots on or above “A” line	CH	Fat clay ^{K,L,M}	
			PI plots below “A” line	MH	Elastic Silt ^{K,L,M}	
		Organic:	Liquid limit - oven dried	< 0.75	OH	Organic clay ^{K,L,M,P}
			Liquid limit - not dried			Organic silt ^{K,L,M,Q}
Highly organic soils:	Primarily organic matter, dark in color, and organic odor			PT	Peat	

^A Based on the material passing the 3-in. (75-mm) sieve

^B If field sample contained cobbles or boulders, or both, add "with cobbles or boulders, or both" to group name.

^C Gravels with 5 to 12% fines require dual symbols: GW-GM well-graded gravel with silt, GW-GC well-graded gravel with clay, GP-GM poorly graded gravel with silt, GP-GC poorly graded gravel with clay.

^D Sands with 5 to 12% fines require dual symbols: SW-SM well-graded sand with silt, SW-SC well-graded sand with clay, SP-SM poorly graded sand with silt, SP-SC poorly graded sand with clay

$$^E \quad Cu = D_{60}/D_{10} \quad Cc = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} \times D_{60}}$$

^F If soil contains $\geq 15\%$ sand, add "with sand" to group name.

^G If fines classify as CL-ML, use dual symbol GC-GM, or SC-SM.

^H If fines are organic, add "with organic fines" to group name.

^I If soil contains $\geq 15\%$ gravel, add "with gravel" to group name.

^J If Atterberg limits plot in shaded area, soil is a CL-ML, silty clay.

^K If soil contains 15 to 29% plus No. 200, add "with sand" or "with gravel," whichever is predominant.

^L If soil contains $\geq 30\%$ plus No. 200 predominantly sand, add "sandy" to group name.

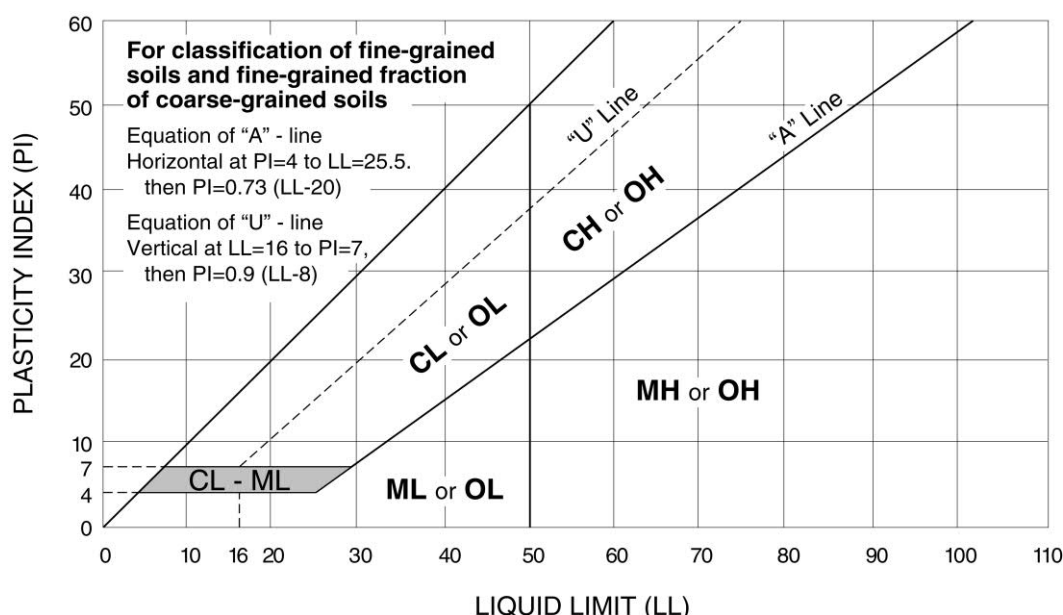
^M If soil contains $\geq 30\%$ plus No. 200, predominantly gravel, add "gravelly" to group name.

^N $PI \geq 4$ and plots on or above "A" line.

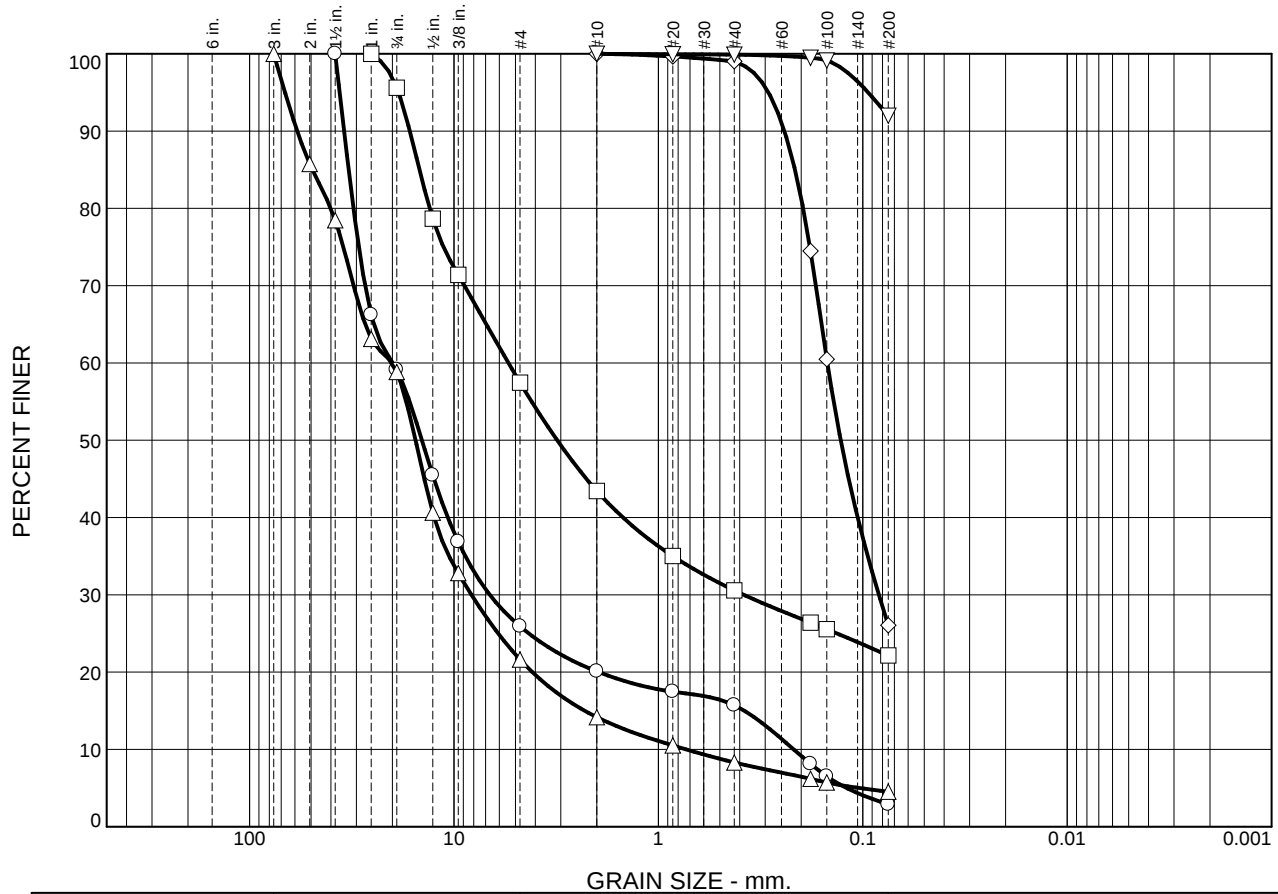
^O $PI < 4$ or plots below "A" line.

^P PI plots on or above "A" line.

^Q PI plots below "A" line.



Particle Size Analysis



	% +3"	% Gravel		% Sand			% Fines	
		Coarse	Fine	Coarse	Medium	Fine	Silt	Clay
○	0	41	33	6	4	13	3	
□	0	4	39	14	12	9	22	
△	0	41	37	8	6	3	5	
◇	0	0	0	0	1	73	26	
▽	0	0	0	0	0	8	92	

SOIL DATA

SYMBOL	SOURCE	SAMPLE NO.	DEPTH (ft.)	Material Description	USCS
○	DH-1	3865	13.5	Poorly graded GRAVEL with sand	GP
□	SB-1	3869	10.0	Silty GRAVEL with sand	GM
△	SB-2	3895	32.0	Poorly graded GRAVEL with sand	GP
◇	SB-2	3896	37.0	Silty SAND	SM
▽	SB-2	3901	45.7	SILT trace sand	ML



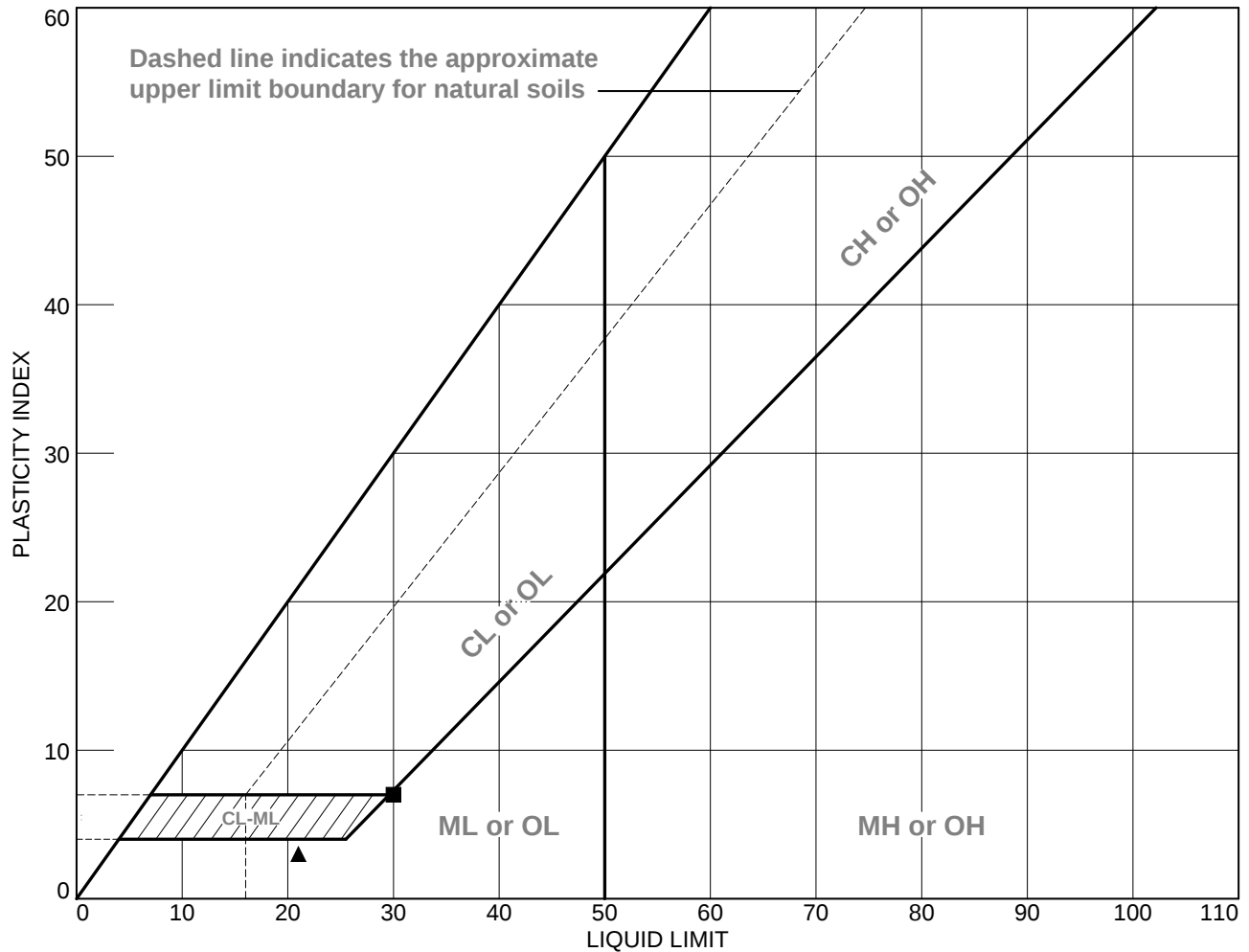
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Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside

Project No.: 25-864

Figure B-1

LIQUID LIMIT, PLASTIC LIMIT, AND PLASTICITY INDEX



SOIL DATA								
SYMBOL	SOURCE	SAMPLE NO.	DEPTH	NATURAL WATER CONTENT (%)	PLASTIC LIMIT (%)	LIQUID LIMIT (%)	PLASTICITY INDEX (%)	USCS
●	SB-2	3901	45.7	14	NP	NV	NP	ML
■	SB-2	3901	46.2	27	23	30	7	CL-ML
▲	SB-2	3903	55.0	15	18	21	3	ML



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Figure B-2



Direct Shear Test

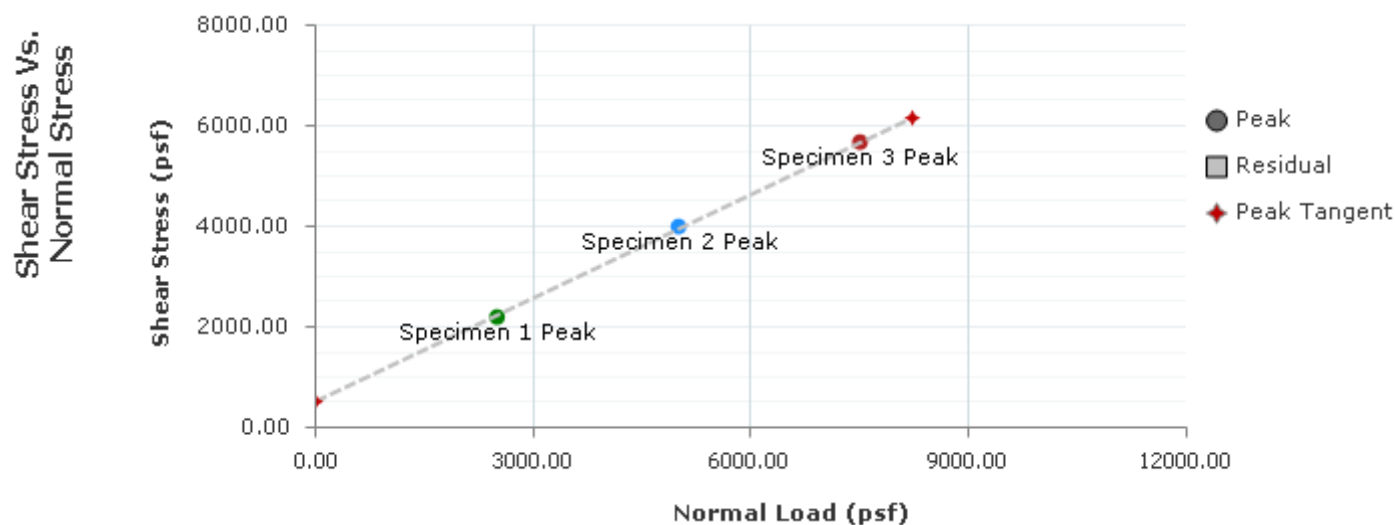
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Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside

Project Number: 25-864

Location: SB-1, 62.0'-64.0' : 48.373267, -114.178745

Client Name: City of Columbia Falls



C (psf): 516.94

Phi (°): 34.5

Residual C (psf): NA

Residual Phi (°): NA

	Initial	1	2	3
Moisture (%):	24.9	24.9	24.9	24.9
Dry Density (pcf):	99.9	98.1	94.8	94.8
Void Ratio:	0.656	0.687	0.746	0.746
Saturation (%):	100.6	96.0	88.4	88.4
Diameter (in):	2.5000	2.5000	2.5000	2.5000
Height (in):	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000

	Final	1	2	3
Moisture (%):	21.2	22.1	24.8	24.8
Dry Density (pcf):	102.1	99.0	93.2	93.2
Void Ratio:	0.620	0.672	0.775	0.775
Saturation (%):	90.4	87.2	84.9	84.9
Height (in):	0.9882	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
Normal Stress (psf):	2500.00	5000.00	7500.00	7500.00
Peak Shear Stress (psf):	2219.43	3997.19	5662.06	5662.06
Residual Stress (psf):	NA	NA	NA	NA
Horizontal Deformation (%):	4.8	5.1	5.9	5.9
Rate (in/min):	0.005000	0.005000	0.005000	0.005000

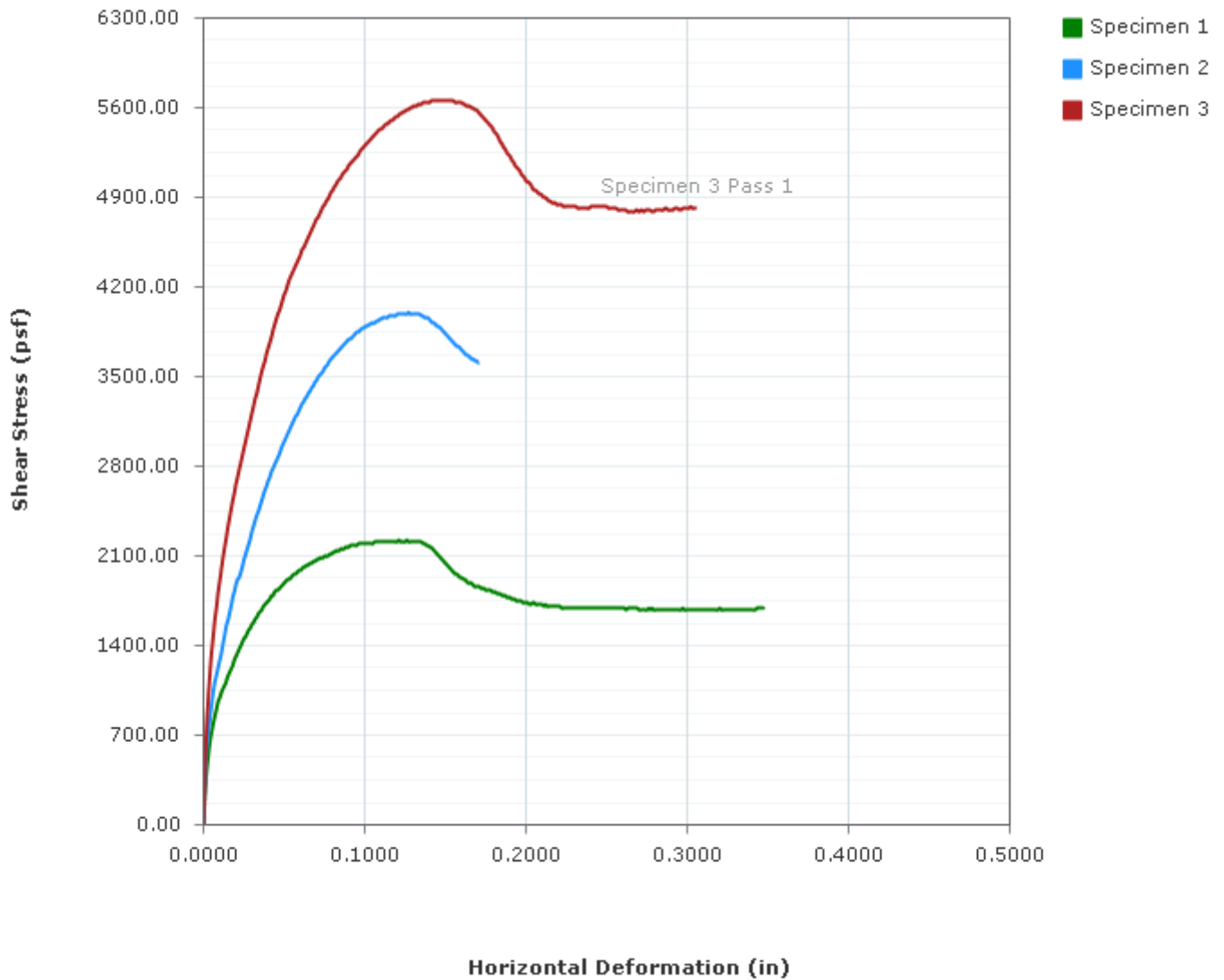
Sample Ran: As Is Moisture, Drained, Undisturbed



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Graph - Stress Deformation

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Sample Ran: As Is Moisture, Drained, Undisturbed

Figure: B-3



Direct Shear Test

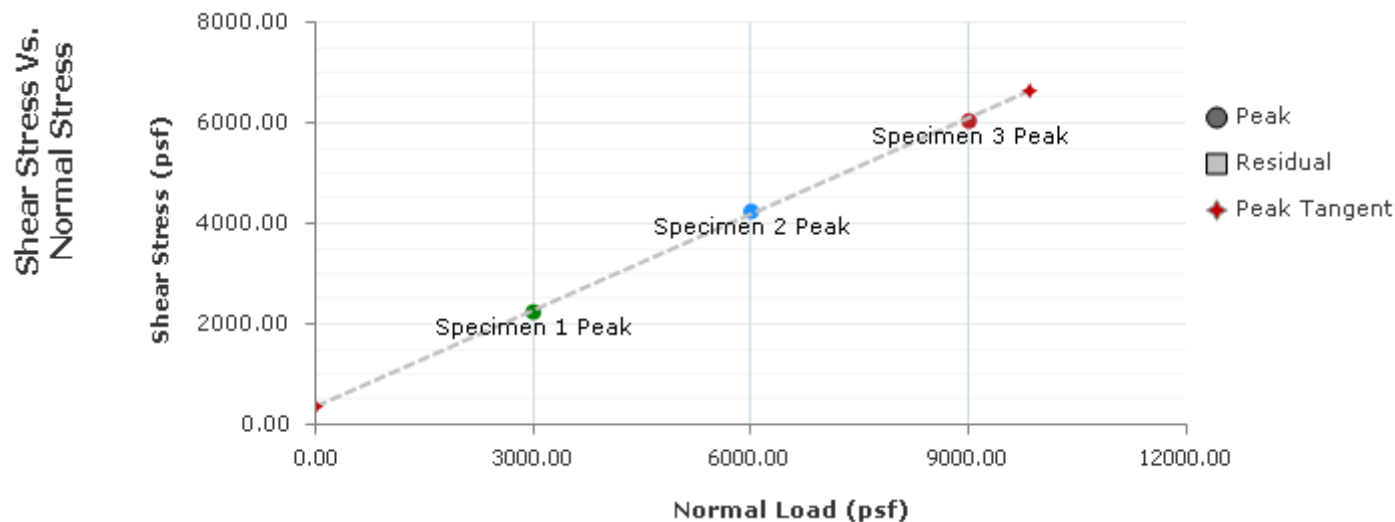
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Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside

Project Number: 25-864

Location: SB-1, 75.0'-77.0' : 48.373267, -114.178745

Client Name: City of Columbia Falls



C (psf): 345.56

Phi (°): 32.6

Residual C (psf): NA

Residual Phi (°): NA

	Initial	1	2	3
Moisture (%):	25.9	25.9	25.9	25.9
Dry Density (pcf):	96.9	97.5	99.5	99.5
Void Ratio:	0.753	0.742	0.706	0.706
Saturation (%):	93.5	94.9	99.6	99.6
Diameter (in):	2.5000	2.5000	2.5000	2.5000
Height (in):	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
	Final	1	2	3
Moisture (%):	24.2	22.9	22.7	22.7
Dry Density (pcf):	95.2	96.9	98.4	98.4
Void Ratio:	0.784	0.752	0.726	0.726
Saturation (%):	84.0	82.7	85.2	85.2
Height (in):	0.9840	0.9808	1.0000	1.0000
Normal Stress (psf):	3000.00	6000.00	9000.00	9000.00
Peak Shear Stress (psf):	2224.20	4250.94	6055.52	6055.52
Residual Stress (psf):	NA	NA	NA	NA
Horizontal Deformation (%):	7.2	5.4	6.2	6.2
Rate (in/min):	0.001000	0.001000	0.001000	0.001000

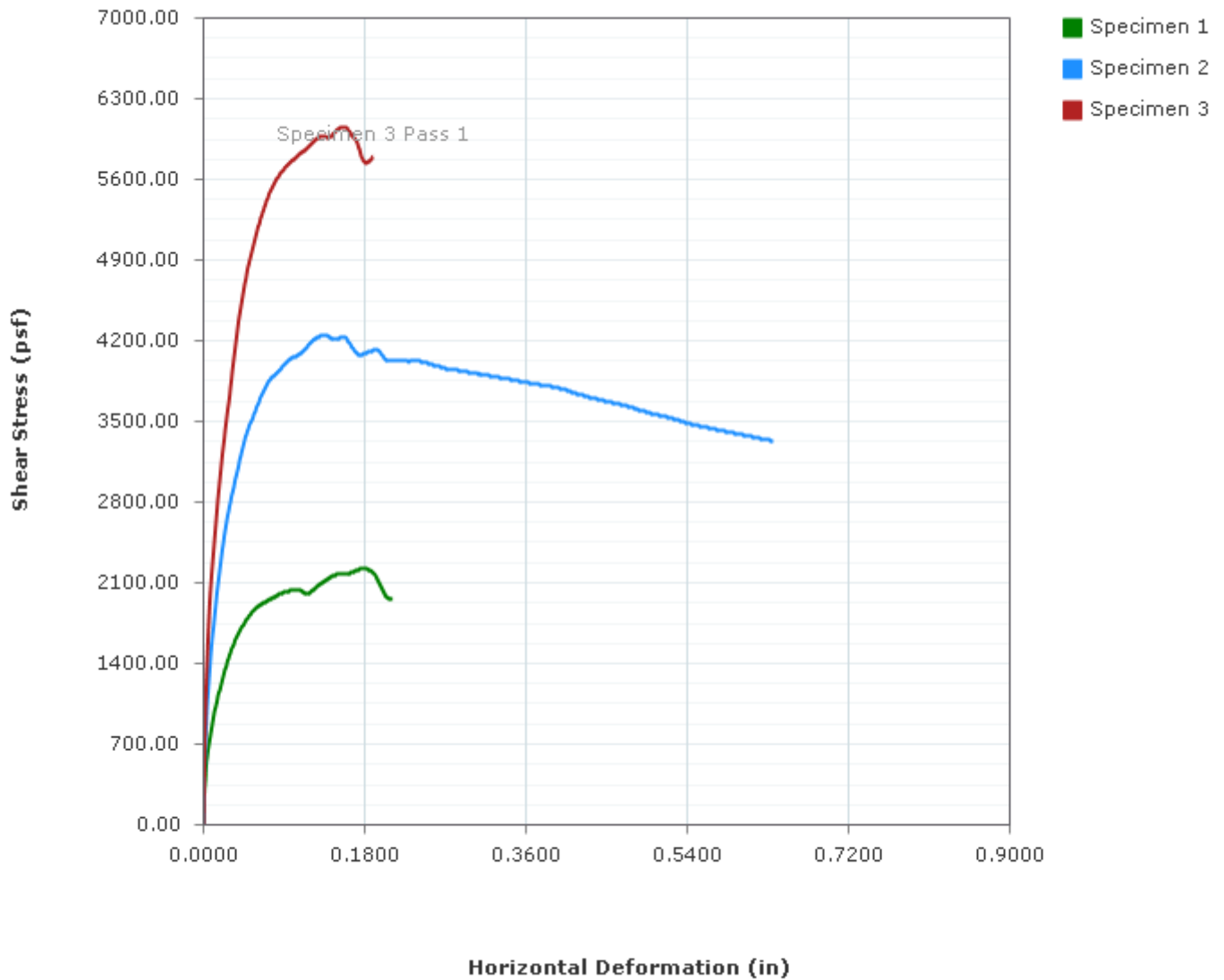
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Sample Ran: As Is Moisture, Drained, Undisturbed

Figure: B-4



Direct Shear Test

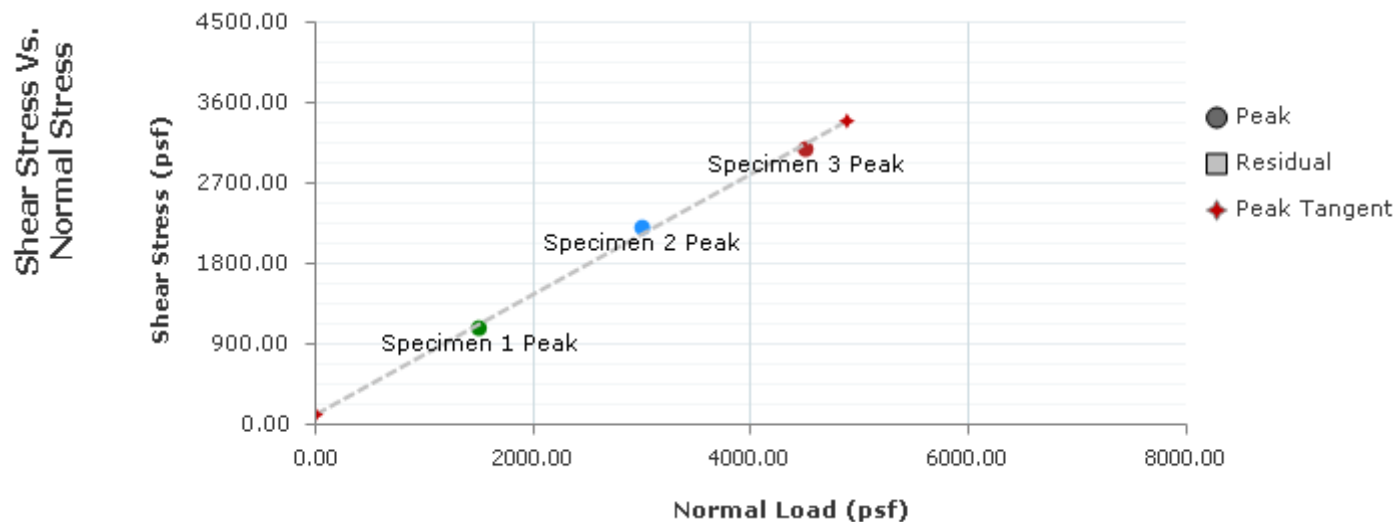
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Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside

Project Number: 25-864

Location: SB-2, 37.0'-38.5' : 48.373398, -114.178605

Client Name: City of Columbia Falls



C (psf): 112.14

Phi (°): 33.9

Residual C (psf): NA

Residual Phi (°): NA

Initial	1	2	3
Moisture (%):	5.4	5.4	5.4
Dry Density (pcf):	85.0	85.2	86.4
Void Ratio:	0.945	0.942	0.914
Saturation (%):	15.1	15.2	15.7
Diameter (in):	2.5000	2.5000	2.5000
Height (in):	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
Final	1	2	3
Moisture (%):	4.1	4.2	3.7
Dry Density (pcf):	87.2	85.6	86.8
Void Ratio:	0.897	0.933	0.905
Saturation (%):	12.1	11.9	10.7
Height (in):	0.9738	1.0000	1.0000
Normal Stress (psf):	1500.00	3000.00	4500.00
Peak Shear Stress (psf):	1075.77	2212.06	3089.37
Residual Stress (psf):	NA	NA	NA
Horizontal Deformation (%):	18.0	19.0	11.3
Rate (in/min):	0.005000	0.005000	0.005000

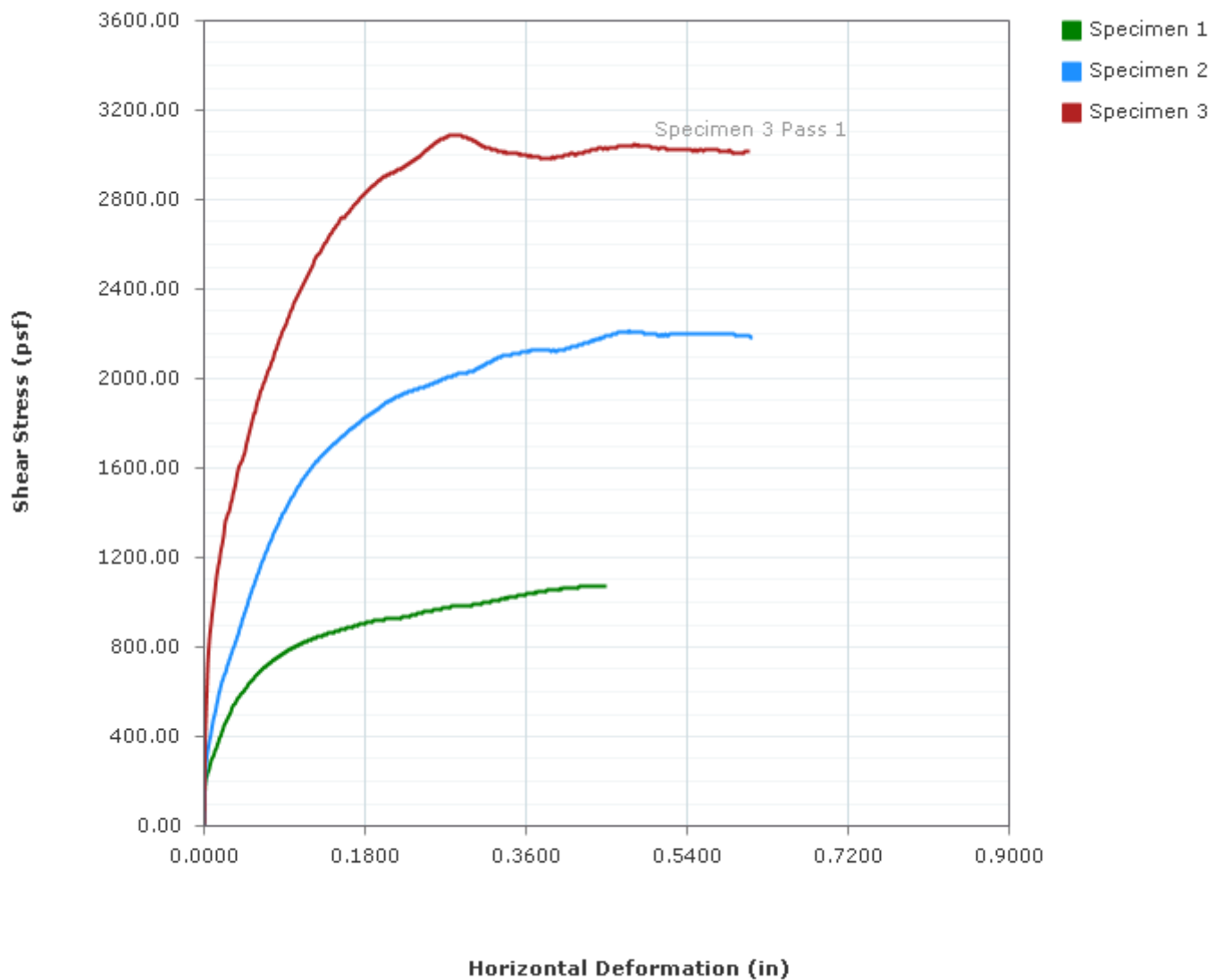
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Graph - Stress Deformation

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Sample Ran: As Is Moisture, Drained, Remolded

Figure: B-5



Direct Shear Test

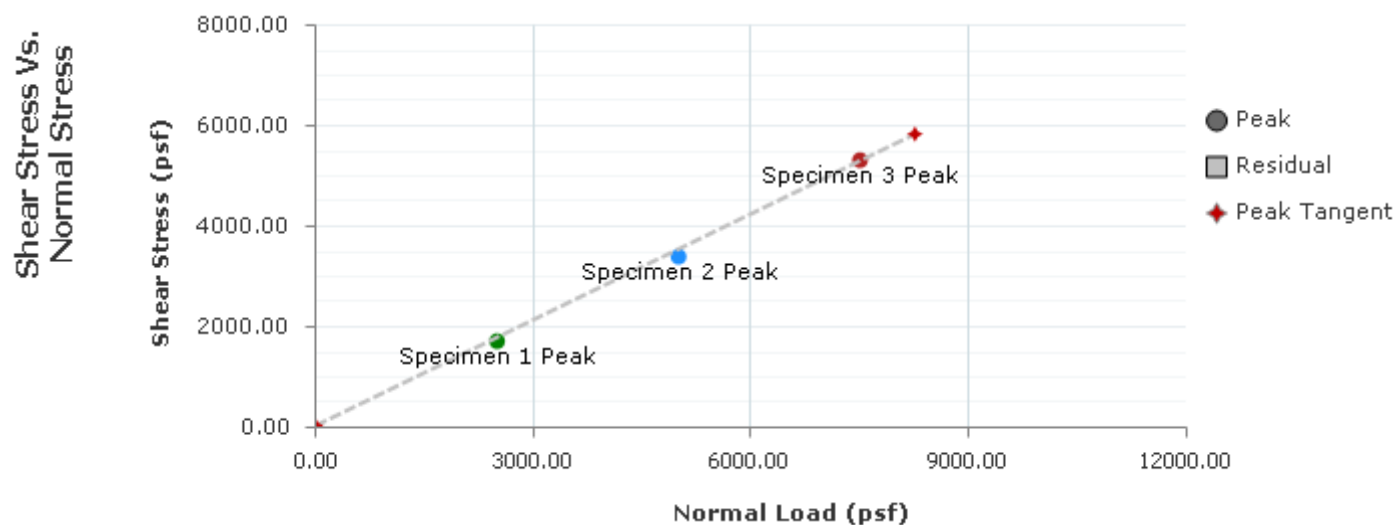
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Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside

Project Number: 25-864

Location: SB-2, 46.3'-46.4' : 48.37339, -114.1789605

Client Name: City of Columbia Falls



C (psf): 30.08

Phi (°): 35.1

Residual C (psf): NA

Residual Phi (°): NA

Initial	1	2	3
Moisture (%):	27.4	27.4	27.4
Dry Density (pcf):	94.8	95.2	95.4
Void Ratio:	0.791	0.783	0.781
Saturation (%):	94.4	95.3	95.6
Diameter (in):	2.5000	2.5000	2.5000
Height (in):	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
Final	1	2	3
Moisture (%):	21.8	22.7	22.3
Dry Density (pcf):	96.4	79.6	92.6
Void Ratio:	0.761	1.133	0.834
Saturation (%):	77.8	54.6	72.7
Height (in):	0.9724	1.1658	1.0000
Normal Stress (psf):	2500.00	5000.00	7500.00
Peak Shear Stress (psf):	1701.07	3396.27	5309.40
Residual Stress (psf):	NA	NA	NA
Horizontal Deformation (%):	6.2	7.6	7.3
Rate (in/min):	0.001000	0.001000	0.001000

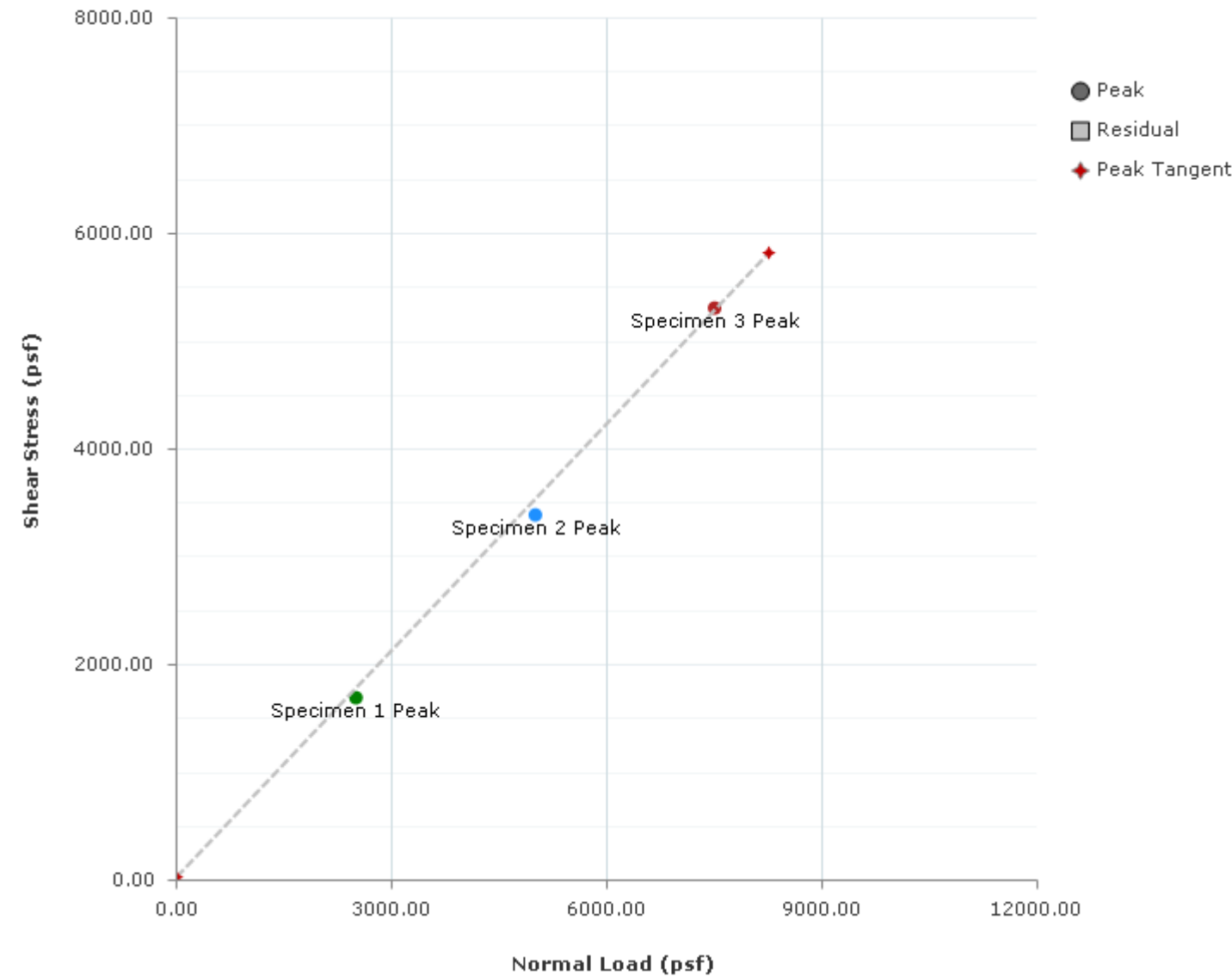
Sample Ran: As Is Moisture, Drained, Remolded



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Direct Shear Test - Shear Stress Vs. Normal Stress

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Tangent Results		
Peak Tangent:	C (psf)	Phi (°)
Residual Tangent:	NA	NA

Sample Ran: As Is Moisture, Drained, Remolded

Figure: B-6



Direct Shear Test

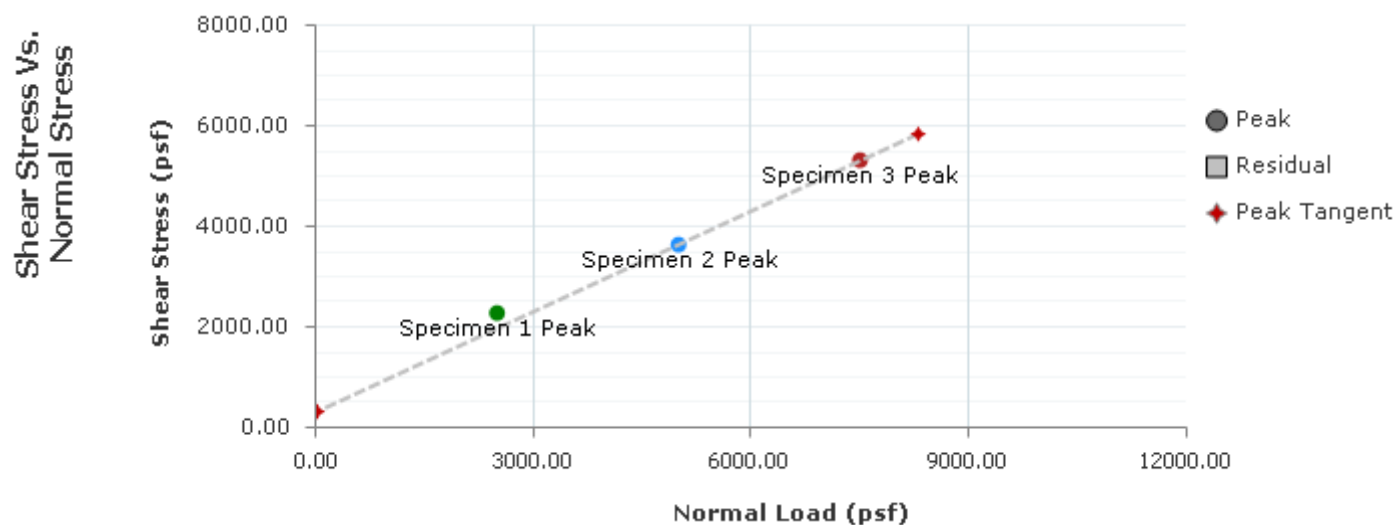
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Project: 2nd Ave East Hillside

Project Number: 25-864

Location: SB-2, 55.0' - 57.0' : 48.373398, -114.178605

Client Name: City of Columbia Falls



C (psf): 300.69

Phi (°): 33.8

Residual C (psf): NA

Residual Phi (°): NA

Initial	1	2	3
Moisture (%):	15.3	15.3	15.3
Dry Density (pcf):	112.6	110.4	109.5
Void Ratio:	0.508	0.538	0.551
Saturation (%):	81.6	77.2	75.3
Diameter (in):	2.5000	2.5000	2.5000
Height (in):	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
Final	1	2	3
Moisture (%):	16.4	14.7	15.3
Dry Density (pcf):	113.4	109.5	107.3
Void Ratio:	0.498	0.551	0.583
Saturation (%):	89.5	72.5	71.2
Height (in):	0.9865	1.0000	1.0000
Normal Stress (psf):	2500.00	5000.00	7500.00
Peak Shear Stress (psf):	2293.09	3643.92	5339.18
Residual Stress (psf):	NA	NA	NA
Horizontal Deformation (%):	3.5	4.8	4.2
Rate (in/min):	0.050000	0.050000	0.050000

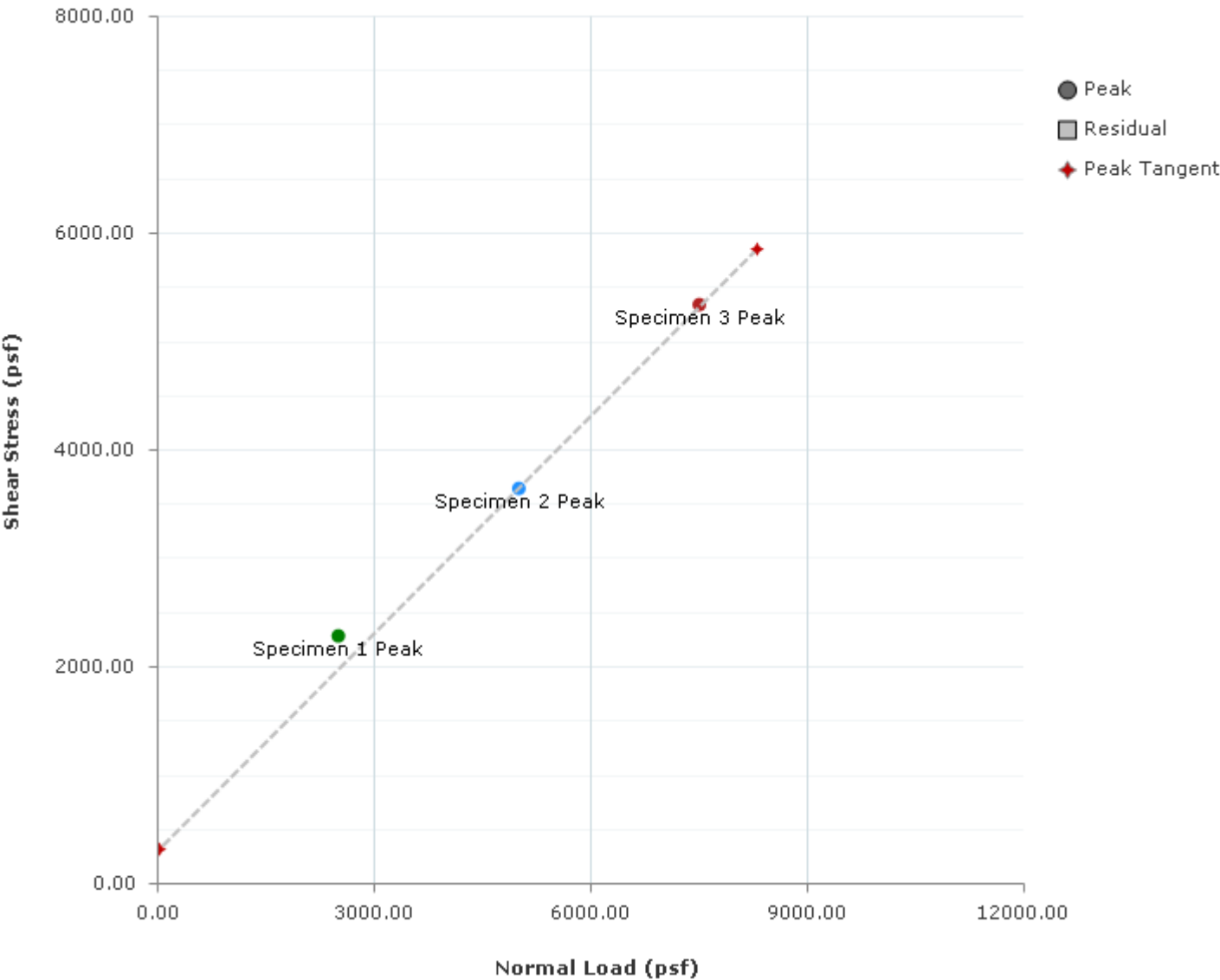
Sample Ran: As Is Moisture, Undrained, Undisturbed



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Direct Shear Test - Shear Stress Vs. Normal Stress

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Tangent Results		
Peak Tangent:	C (psf)	Phi (°)
Residual Tangent:	NA	NA

Sample Ran: As Is Moisture, Undrained, Undisturbed

Figure: B-7

January 23, 2026

Mr. Cliff Clark
Alpine Engineering
120 Round Stone Dr. STE 101
Kalispell, MT 59901

RE: GT Alpine Engineering - 2nd Avenue Hill

Dear Mr. Clark,

On November 25, 2025, two samples from the 2nd Avenue Hill project were delivered to our Bozeman geotechnical testing laboratory. The samples were identified as "SB-1 (45'-47')", and "SB-1 (50'-52')", and were assigned Laboratory identification Nos. G25365 and G25366, respectively

The testing was performed in general accordance with the following Standard:

- Consolidated Undrained Triaxial Compression (ASTM D4767).

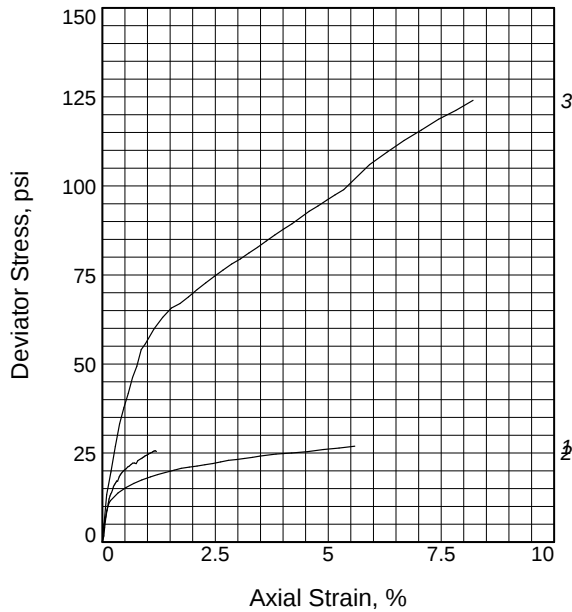
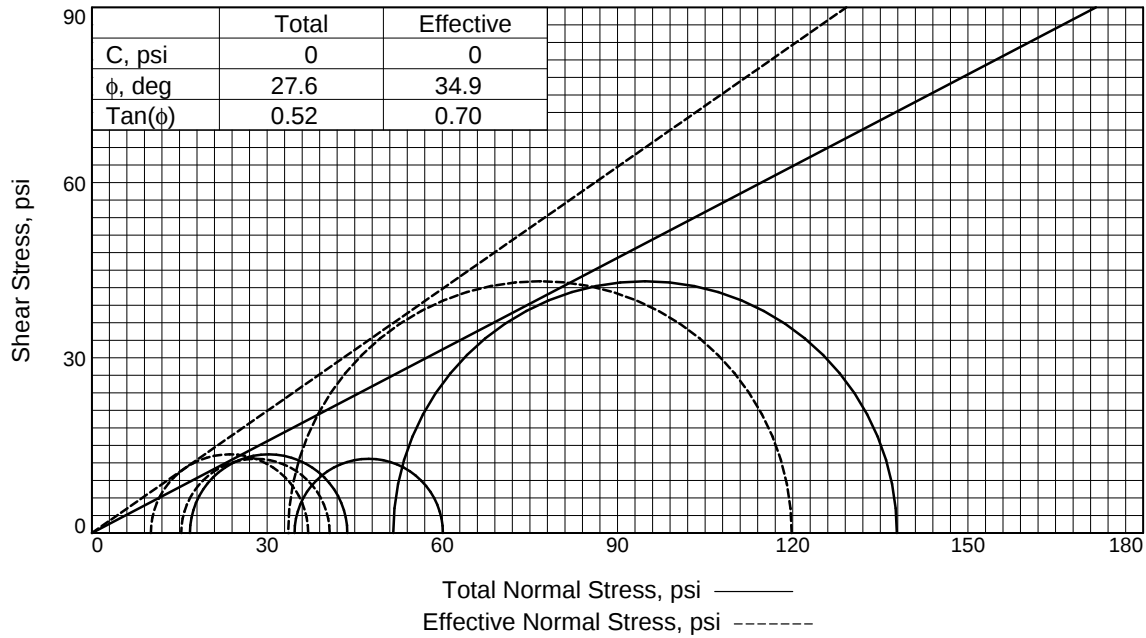
A staged consolidated undrained triaxial compression test was performed on a specimen prepared from shleby tube sample SB-1 (45'-47'). Three points were tested at the requested confining pressures of 2500 psf (17.4 psi), 5000 psf (34.7 psi), and 7500 psf (52.1 psi). The triaxial compression testing results are attached.

Thank you for using Pioneer Technical Services, Inc. for your geotechnical and materials testing requirements. Please contact us if you have any questions or need any additional information regarding this report.

Sincerely,



Travis Sammons
Project Scientist



Sample No.		1	2	3
Initial	Water Content, %	26.3	26.3	26.3
	Dry Density, pcf	92.8	92.8	92.8
	Saturation, %	88.8	88.8	88.8
	Void Ratio	0.7835	0.7835	0.7835
	Diameter, in.	2.88	2.88	2.88
	Height, in.	5.73	5.73	5.73
At Test	Water Content, %	29.6	27.3	25.8
	Dry Density, pcf	92.8	96.0	98.2
	Saturation, %	100.0	100.0	100.0
	Void Ratio	0.7835	0.7242	0.6840
	Diameter, in.	2.88	2.93	2.92
	Height, in.	5.73	5.35	5.24
Strain rate, in./min.		0.001	0.001	0.001
Eff. Cell Pressure, psi		17	35	52
Fail. Stress, psi		27	25	86
Total Pore Pr., psi		37	60	59
Strain, %		5.6	1.2	3.8
Ult. Stress, psi				
Total Pore Pr., psi				
Strain, %				
$\bar{\sigma}_1$ Failure, psi		37	41	120
$\bar{\sigma}_3$ Failure, psi		10	15	34

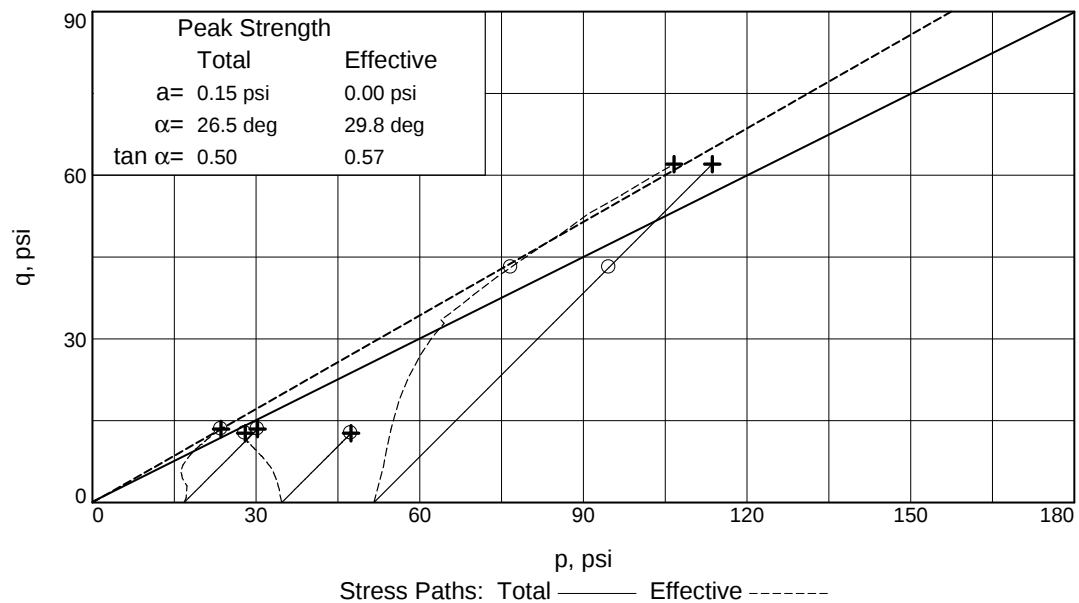
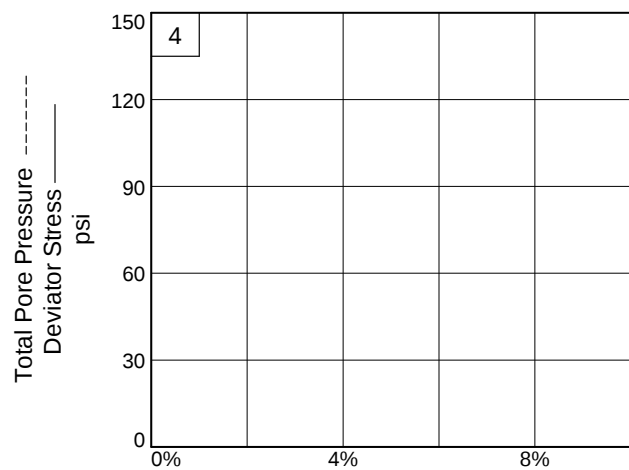
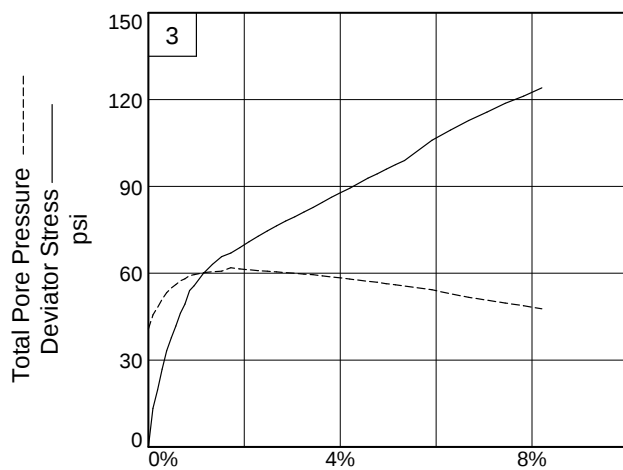
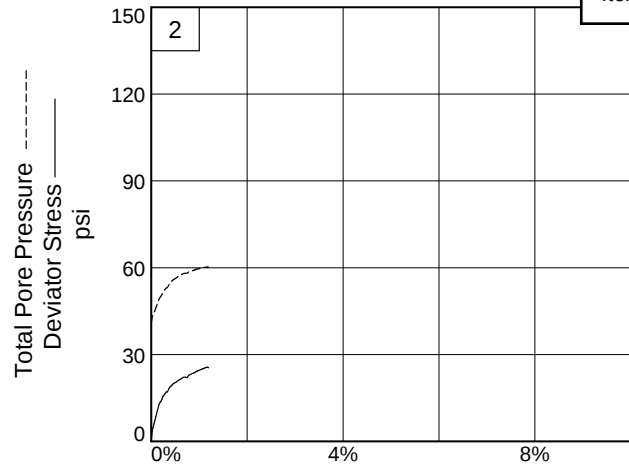
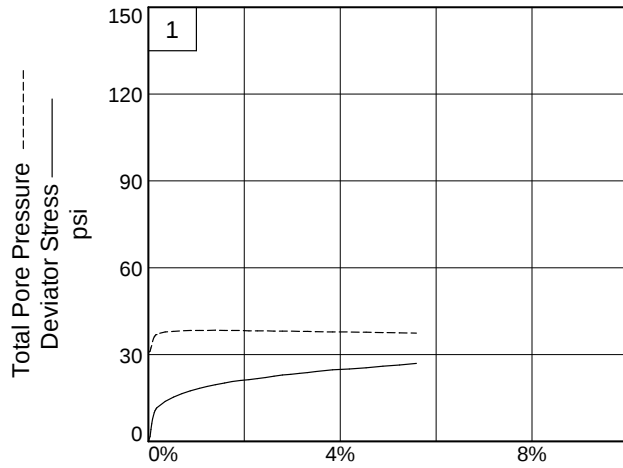
Type of Test:

CU with Pore Pressures

Sample Type: Shelby Tube**Description:** Silt, ML (Visual Classification)**Assumed Specific Gravity=** 2.65**Remarks:** Specific gravity is assumed at 2.65.**Figure** _____**Client:** Alpine Engineering**Project:** 2nd Street Hill**Source of Sample:** SB-1**Depth:** 45'-47'**Sample Number:** G25365**Proj. No.:****Date Sampled:**

TRIAXIAL SHEAR TEST REPORT
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Tested By: RJ/TS**Checked By:** JR



Client: Alpine Engineering

Project: 2nd Street Hill

Source of Sample: SB-1

Depth: 45'-47'

Sample Number: G25365

Project No.:

Figure _____

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APPENDIX C

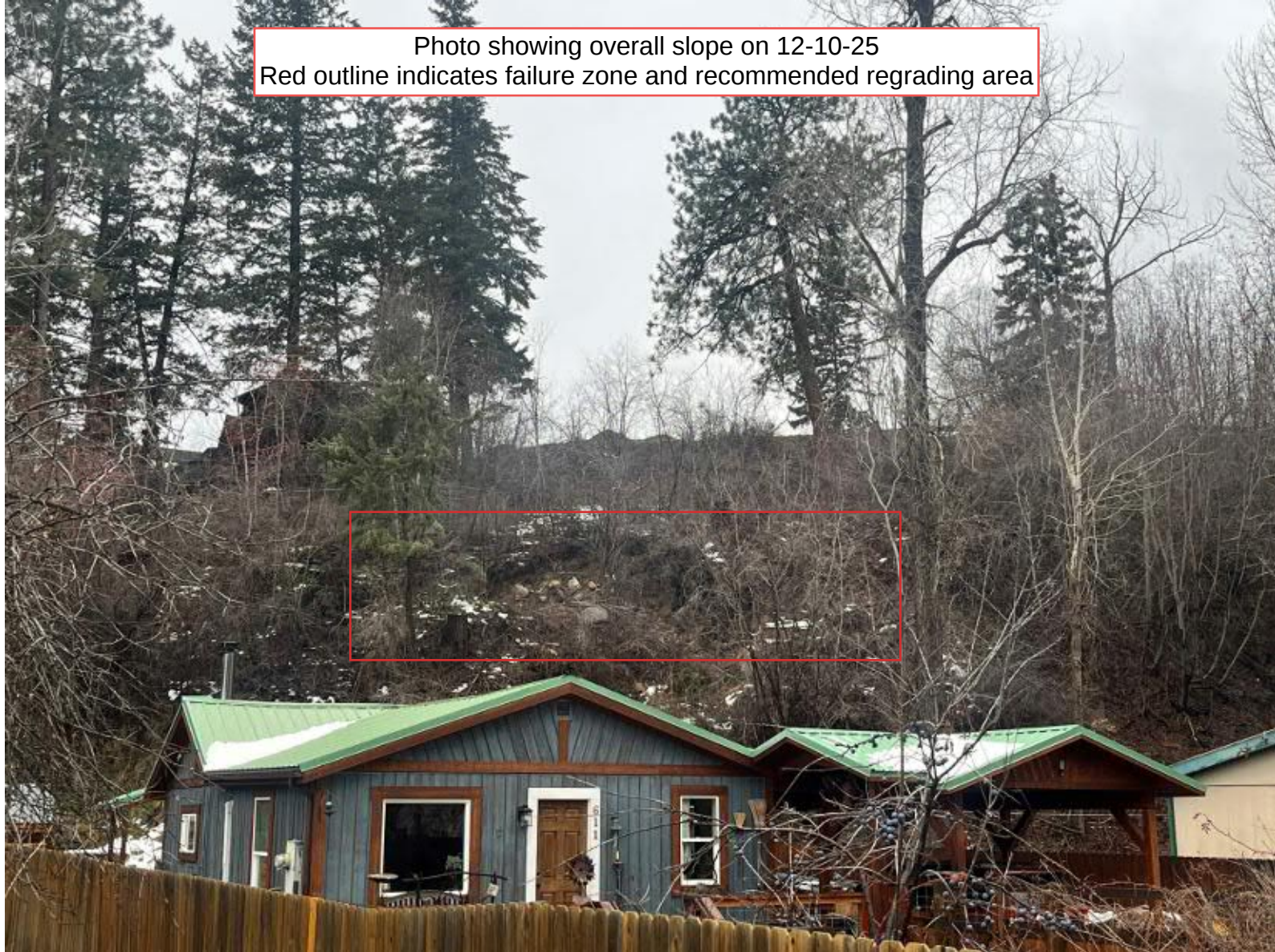
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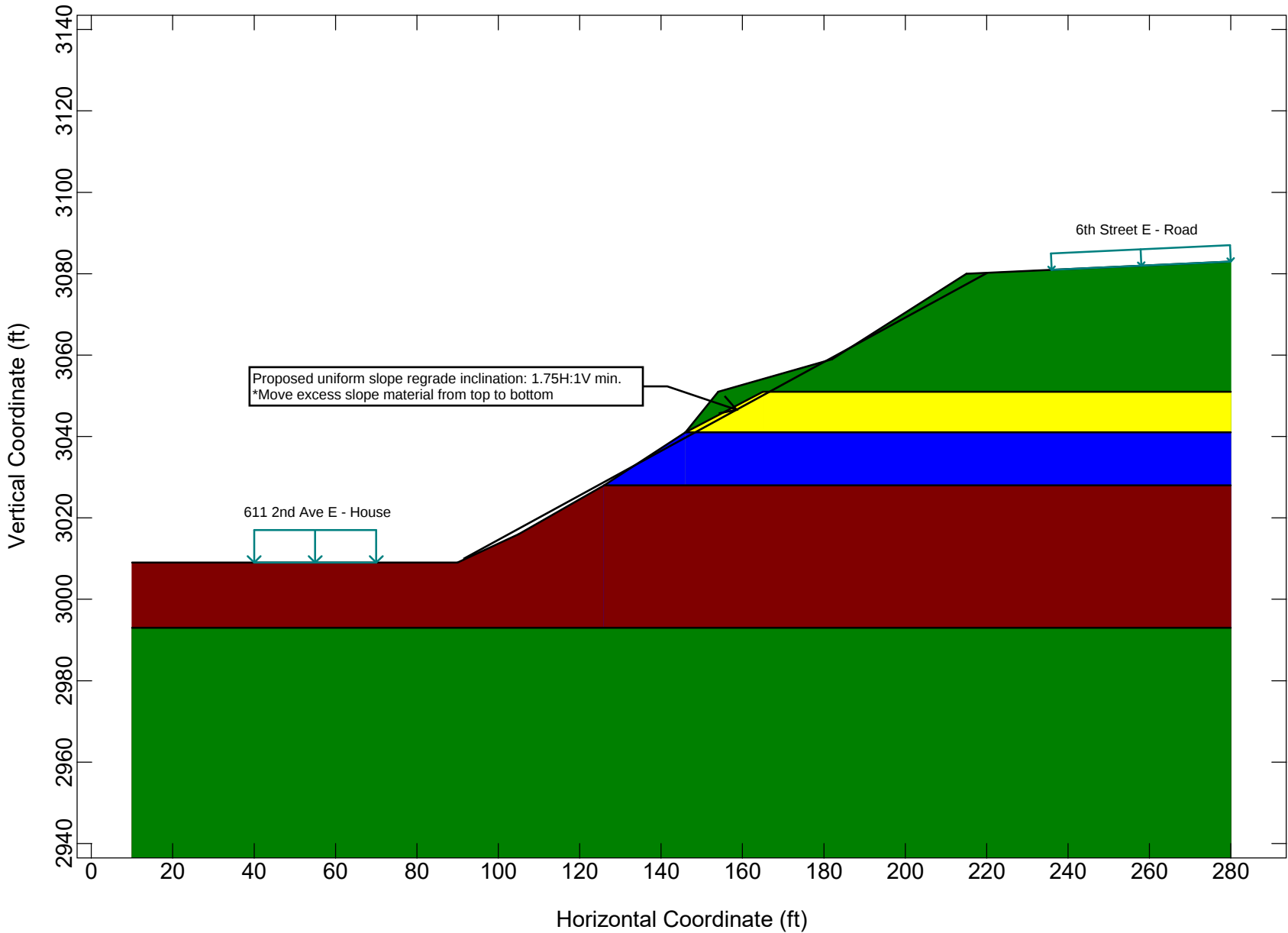
Photo of overall slope on 12-10-25



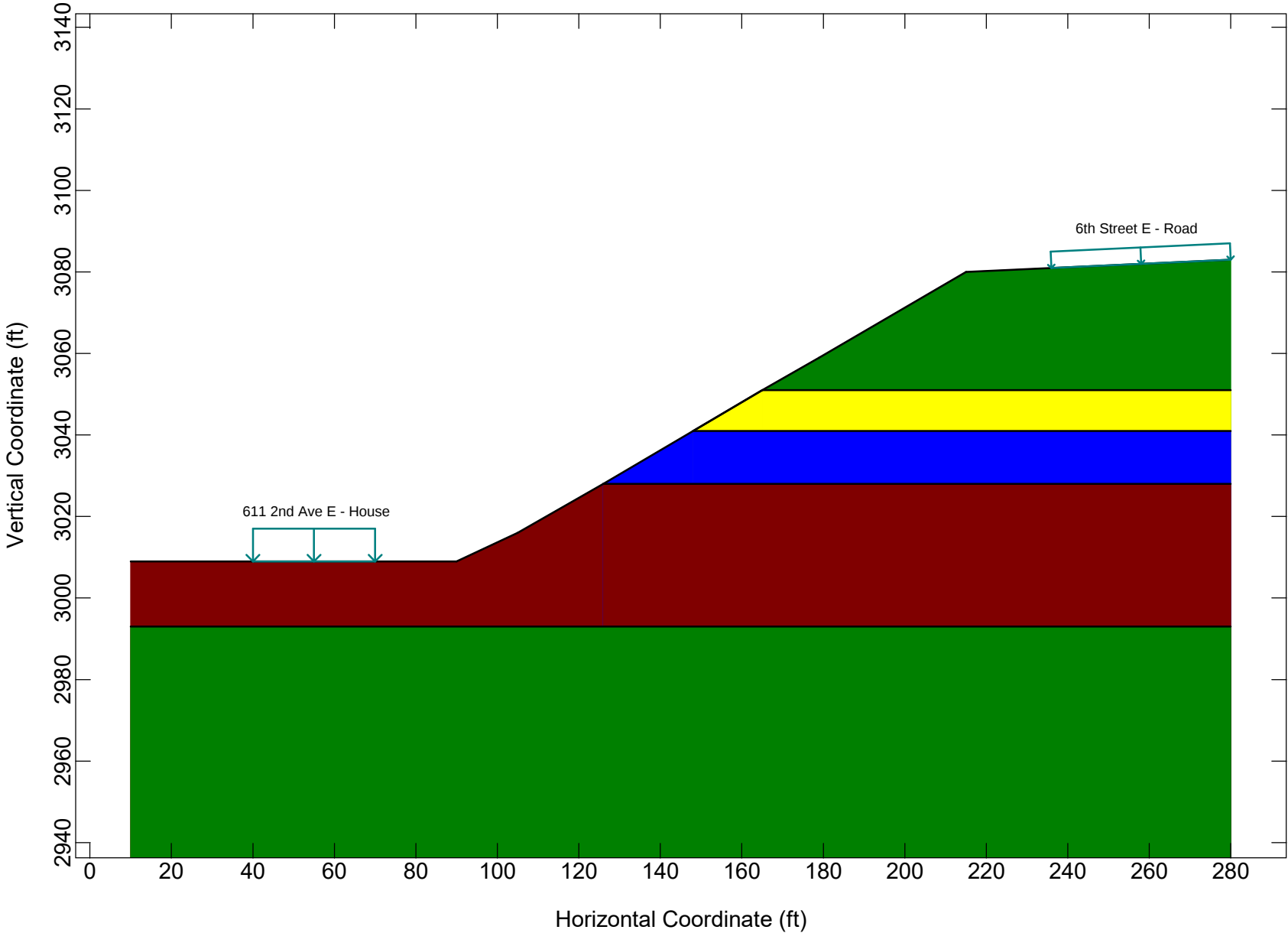
Photo showing overall slope on 12-10-25
Red outline indicates failure zone and recommended regrading area



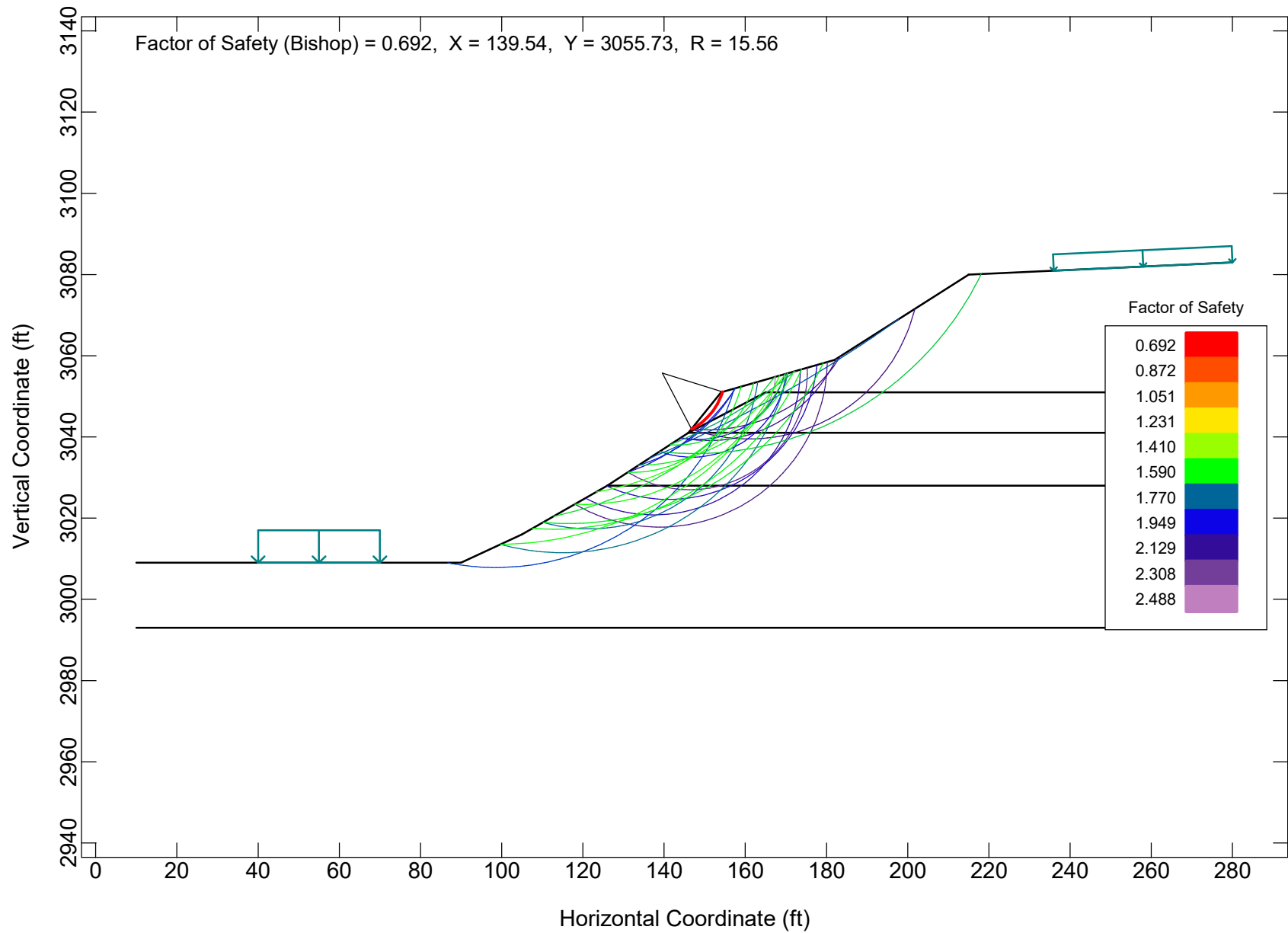
Site Concept - Regrading Plan Existing Slope



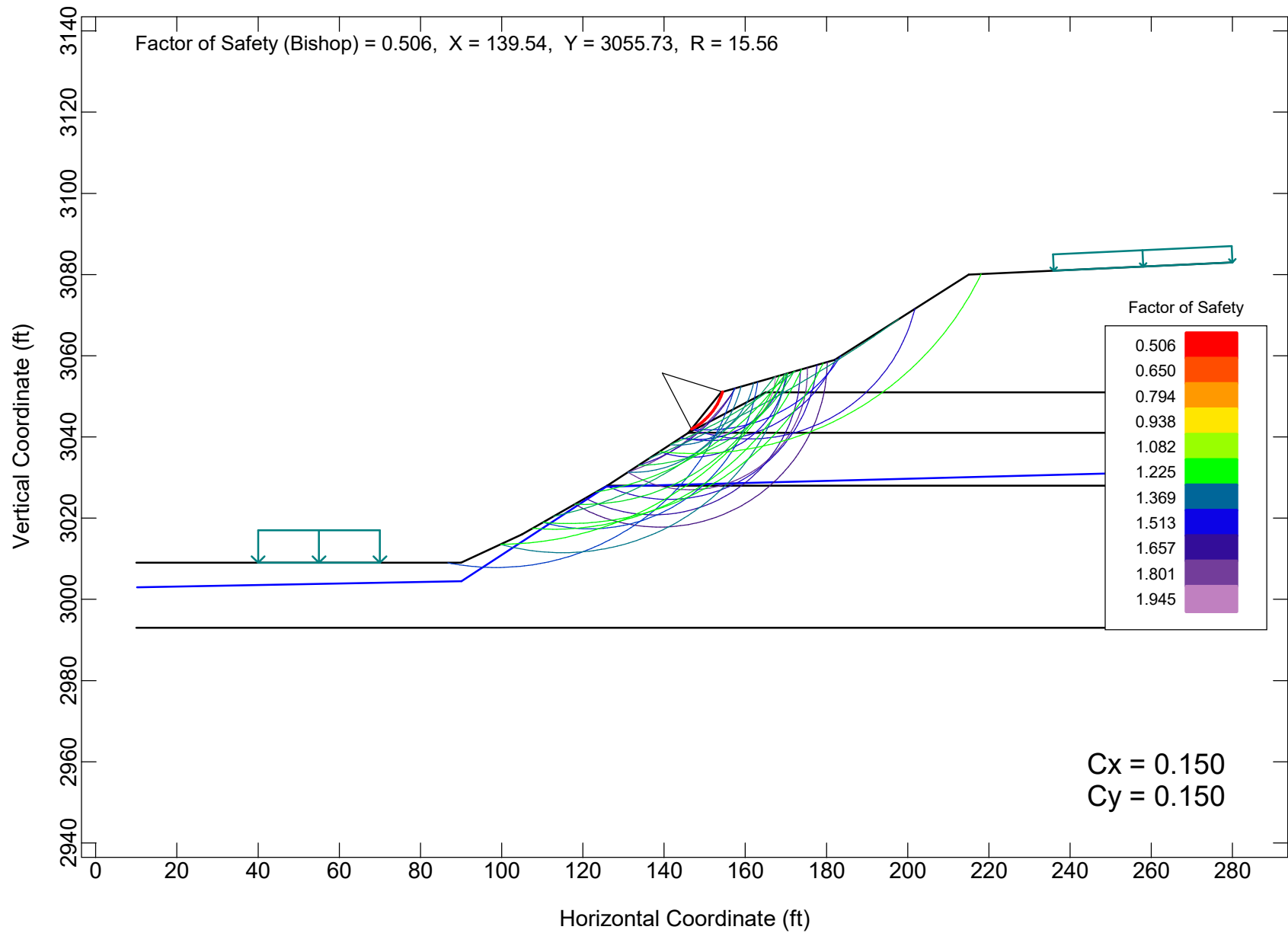
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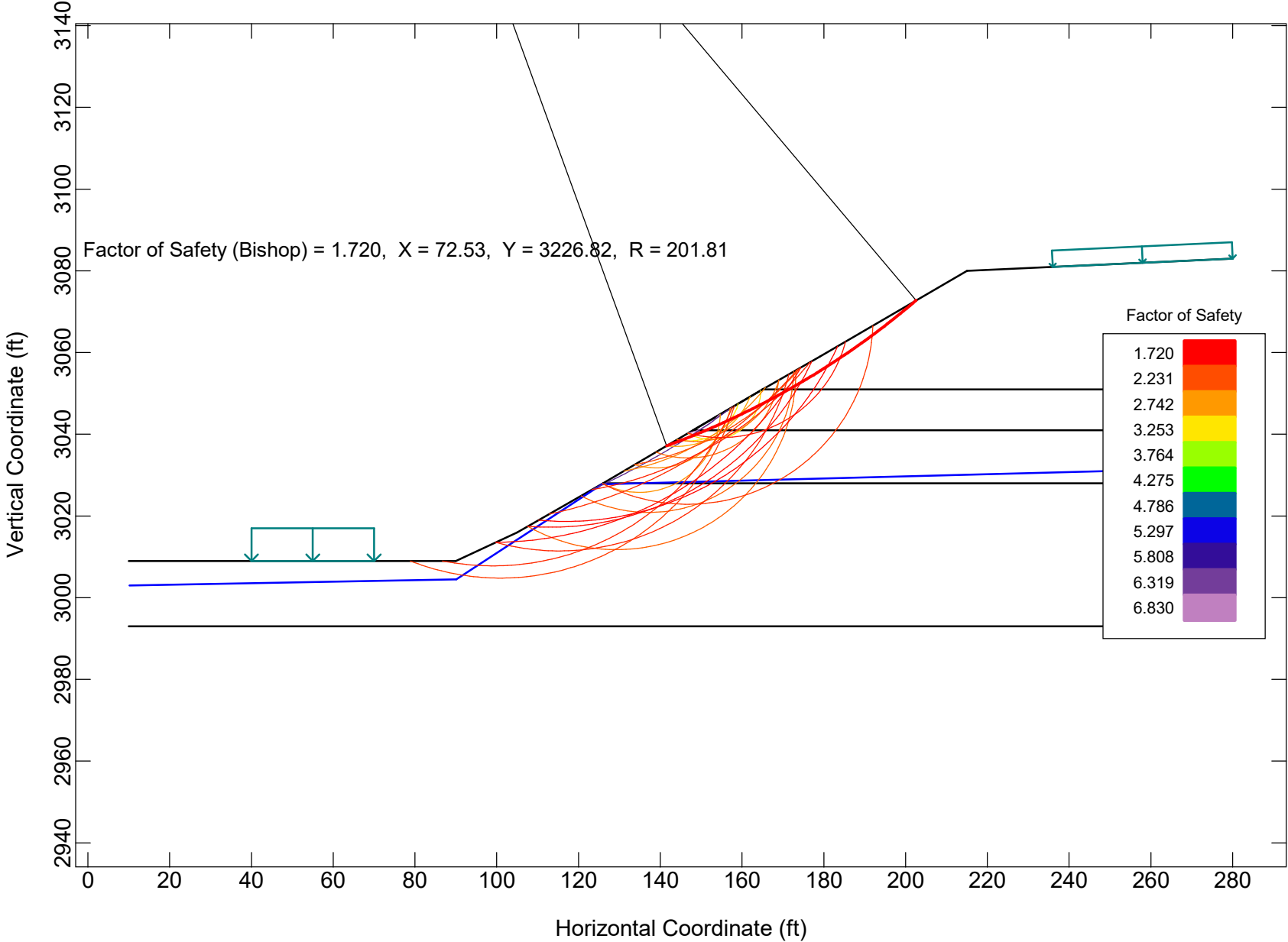
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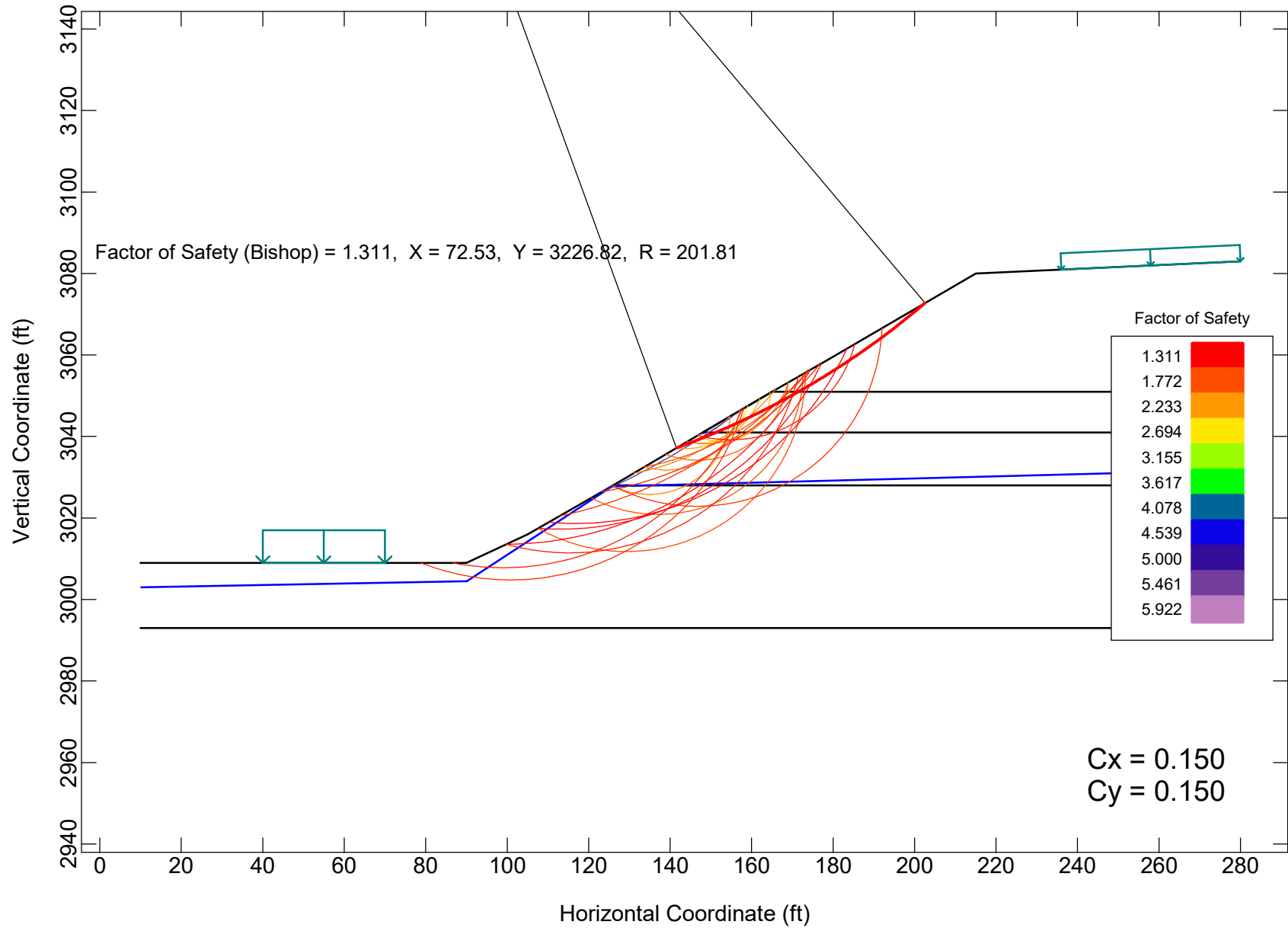
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2nd Ave E Hillside: Static 1.75H:1V Regrading



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COLUMBIA FALLS MONTANA

City Council Agenda Item Summary

Title: River's Edge Park Fishing Pier Contract Award

Date: 02/11/2026

Staff Contact: Shawn Bates, PWD

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY: The City Staff and project engineers recommend contract award to Mountain Trades Contracting for \$110,933 for the construction of the Rivers Edge fishing pier with alternates.

BACKGROUND: The City has been advancing this project since 2023. Upon completion, it will provide ADA-accessible fishing opportunities for individuals with disabilities, enhancing equitable access to the facility. The improvements will further expand and enrich the overall use of the fishing pond for the entire community.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS: The engineer's estimate of probable construction cost for the project is \$140,800. The City has secured a \$70,000 Montana Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP) grant to assist with funding.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the City Manager to sign all contracts and associated documentation to award the River's Edge Fishing Pier Project to Mountain Trades Contracting.

ATTACHMENTS: WGM Group bid award recommendation letter and certified bid tabs.

CERTIFIED BID TABULATION - RIVER'S EDGE PARK FISHING POND ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT

Project Name: River's Edge Park Fishing Pond Accessibility Project
 Project No.: 190314.2
 Bid Opening: 2/5/2026 2:00pm
 Processed by: Adam Pummill
 Reviewed by: Stephanie Reynolds P.E.



				Engineer's Estimate		Mountain Trades Contracting		JD Thinning		Vada Contracting		Camas Creek Contracting		All Terrain Excavation	
Item Number	Item Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total
Schedule A - General Items															
1	Mobilization, Bonds and Insurance	1	LS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,427.50	\$ 5,427.50	\$ 6,800.00	\$ 6,800.00	\$ 26,507.00	\$ 26,507.00	\$ 52,084.00	\$ 52,084.00
2	Miscellaneous Work	7,500	EA	\$ 1.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 7,500.00
3	Erosion control	1	LS	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 460.00	\$ 460.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 10,580.00	\$ 10,580.00	\$ 8,262.00	\$ 8,262.00
4	Site Preparation, Seeding, Restoration	1	LS	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,880.00	\$ 1,880.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 6,785.00	\$ 6,785.00	\$ 12,946.00	\$ 12,946.00
5	Materials Testing	1	LS	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,725.00	\$ 1,725.00	\$ 4,030.00	\$ 4,030.00
Schedule A - Subtotal				\$ 29,000.00		\$ 15,560.00		\$ 19,107.50		\$ 20,300.00		\$ 53,097.00		\$ 84,822.00	
Schedule B - Base Bid															
6	Fishing Pier (ADA Accessible with Variable-Height Railing)	1	LS	\$ 66,000.00	\$ 66,000.00	\$ 73,345.00	\$ 73,345.00	\$ 81,886.35	\$ 81,886.35	\$ 64,820.00	\$ 64,820.00	\$ 75,360.00	\$ 75,360.00	\$ 78,693.00	\$ 78,693.00
Schedule B - Subtotal				\$ 66,000.00		\$ 73,345.00		\$ 81,886.35		\$ 64,820.00		\$ 75,360.00		\$ 78,693.00	
Schedule C - Bid Alternates															
A1	Fishing Stand #1	1	LS	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,152.00	\$ 2,152.00	\$ 6,370.31	\$ 6,370.31	\$ 11,578.00	\$ 11,578.00	\$ 11,247.00	\$ 11,247.00	\$ 11,696.00	\$ 11,696.00
A2	Fishing Stand #2	1	LS	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 6,300.00	\$ 2,274.00	\$ 2,274.00	\$ 6,675.31	\$ 6,675.31	\$ 11,578.00	\$ 11,578.00	\$ 11,592.00	\$ 11,592.00	\$ 11,447.00	\$ 11,447.00
A3	Fishing Stand #3	1	LS	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 2,397.00	\$ 2,397.00	\$ 7,932.81	\$ 7,932.81	\$ 11,578.00	\$ 11,578.00	\$ 15,272.00	\$ 15,272.00	\$ 16,875.00	\$ 16,875.00
A4	Fishing Stand #4	1	LS	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 2,274.00	\$ 2,274.00	\$ 6,499.31	\$ 6,499.31	\$ 11,578.00	\$ 11,578.00	\$ 11,477.00	\$ 11,477.00	\$ 13,280.00	\$ 13,280.00
A5	Fishing Slab #1	1	LS	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 1,555.00	\$ 1,555.00	\$ 3,731.25	\$ 3,731.25	\$ 3,650.00	\$ 3,650.00	\$ 5,060.00	\$ 5,060.00	\$ 4,312.00	\$ 4,312.00
A6	Fishing Slab #2	1	LS	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 1,555.00	\$ 1,555.00	\$ 3,716.00	\$ 3,716.00	\$ 3,650.00	\$ 3,650.00	\$ 5,060.00	\$ 5,060.00	\$ 4,312.00	\$ 4,312.00
A7	Fishing Slab #3	1	LS	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 1,555.00	\$ 1,555.00	\$ 8,442.40	\$ 8,442.40	\$ 3,650.00	\$ 3,650.00	\$ 5,060.00	\$ 5,060.00	\$ 4,312.00	\$ 4,312.00
A8	Fishing Slab #4	1	LS	\$ 12,700.00	\$ 12,700.00	\$ 8,266.00	\$ 8,266.00	\$ 5,589.50	\$ 5,589.50	\$ 11,424.00	\$ 11,424.00	\$ 17,135.00	\$ 17,135.00	\$ 17,964.00	\$ 17,964.00
Schedule C - Subtotal				\$ 45,800.00		\$ 22,028.00		\$ 48,956.89		\$ 68,686.00		\$ 81,903.00		\$ 84,198.00	
PROJECT TOTAL with ALTERNATES				\$ 140,800.00		\$ 110,933.00		\$ 149,950.74		\$ 153,806.00		\$ 210,360.00		\$ 247,713.00	
Bid Signed						X		X		X		X		X	
Bid Bond						X		X		X		X		X	
Denotes Discrepancy from Bid Form as submitted															

February 10, 2026

Shawn Bates

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

City of Columbia Falls

130 6th Street West

Columbia Falls, MT 59912

Sent via email: batess@cityofcolumbiafalls.com

Re: **River's Edge Park Fishing Pond Accessibility Project
Bid Award Recommendation**

Dear Shawn:

We have reviewed the bids received on Thursday, February 5, 2026, for the River's Edge Park Fishing Pond Accessibility Project. Five bids were received and are deemed responsive.

The low bid was received from Mountain Trades Contracting LLC., in the amount of \$88,905.00 for the base bid and \$22,028.00 for all bid alternatives for a total project amount of \$110,933.00. The engineer's estimate was \$140,800.00 for the project.

If the City elects to award the base bid and all bid alternatives on the project, this will allow a contingency budget of approximately \$29,867.00, or about 27 percent of the bid amount.

Based on our review, WGM Group, Inc. recommends that the City of Columbia Falls authorize award of the River's Edge Park Fishing Pond Accessibility Project – Base Bid with all Bid Alternates to Mountain Trades Contracting LLC. in the amount of \$110,933.00. Mountain Trades Contracting LLC is a local contractor that regularly performs civil/utility projects.

If you have any questions or concerns about the contract, please don't hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,
WGM Group, Inc.



Stephanie A. Reynolds, PE
SENIOR PROJECT ENGINEER



City of Columbia Falls FY26 Mid-Year Update February 17, 2026

Fund	Committed Current Month	Committed YTD	Original Appropriation	Current Appropriation	Available Appropriation	% Comm.	Item No.8.
1000 GENERAL FUND	153,431.68	3,148,387.37	5,463,440.00	5,463,440.00	2,315,052.63	58%	
2100 RESORT TAX	0.00	1,416,927.82	1,416,928.00	1,416,928.00	0.18	100%	
2310 TAX INCREMENT DISTRICT FUND	707.40	30,375.85	2,134,000.00	2,134,000.00	2,103,624.15	1%	
2311 TEDD-INDUSTRIAL PARK	0.00	0.00	75,000.00	75,000.00	75,000.00	0%	
2312 TEDD - COLUMBIA RISING IND PARK	0.00	0.00	420,000.00	420,000.00	420,000.00	0%	
2350 Local Government Review	0.00	273.96	34,662.00	34,662.00	34,388.04	1%	
2372 PERMISSIVE MEDICAL LEVY	0.00	223,289.87	429,493.00	429,493.00	206,203.13	52%	
2394 BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT FUND	4,137.86	86,298.16	188,106.00	188,106.00	101,807.84	46%	
2400 SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT FUND	2,582.32	19,139.52	51,800.00	51,800.00	32,660.48	37%	
2500 SPECIAL STREET MAINTENANCE DISTRICT	22,275.82	341,904.10	603,787.00	603,787.00	261,882.90	57%	
2700 CEDAR CREEK TRUST	0.00	7,605.33	200,000.00	200,000.00	192,394.67	4%	
2820 GAS TAX FUND	0.00	181,375.00	415,543.00	415,543.00	234,168.00	44%	
2917 CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE FUND	448.50	2,706.50	7,000.00	7,000.00	4,293.50	39%	
2940 CDBG-HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP	0.00	0.00	7,627.00	7,627.00	7,627.00	0%	
2955 HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY	5,916.89	37,402.49	0.00	123,947.00	86,544.51	30%	
2959 EDA	0.00	440.43	206,526.00	206,526.00	206,085.57	0%	
2995 RAISE Grant	559.19	364,197.69	5,762,551.00	5,762,551.00	5,398,353.31	6%	
3538 SID 38 FUND - Riverwood	0.00	12,265.12	24,493.00	24,493.00	12,227.88	50%	
4000 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - Building	0.00	0.00	45,000.00	45,000.00	45,000.00	0%	
4010 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - Parks	0.00	15,715.39	475,000.00	475,000.00	459,284.61	3%	
4020 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - General	-1,775.00	57,675.01	245,000.00	245,000.00	187,324.99	24%	
4040 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - Street	0.00	0.00	650,000.00	650,000.00	650,000.00	0%	
5210 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND	27,153.23	542,433.77	1,215,219.00	1,215,219.00	672,785.23	45%	
5310 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND	280,668.95	1,475,217.82	2,677,772.00	2,802,772.00	1,327,554.18	53%	
5311 SEWER CAPITAL EXPANSION	0.00	0.00	715,065.00	715,065.00	715,065.00	0%	



Priorities & Significant Projects:

- Attract and retain highly capable and dedicated staff
 - Maintain competitive total compensation - wages are competitive with regional municipalities
 - Invest in staff's quality of life and workplace environment
- FY26 wages of 3% in cost of living; maintain 2% experience step increase
 - Collective Bargaining Agreements (Fraternal Order of Police and Teamsters): 3-year contract with annual 3% cost of living and 2% step; no significant changes to previous contract
 - Non-Represented: same wage schedule increase (3% + 2%) as represented employees
 - Salaried: same rate increase (5%) as wage-scheduled employees
- Personnel Services budget is approximately **20% of all fund appropriations**
 - **\$4.99M** (total expenditures includes wages, overtime, health insurance, pension, workers compensation, and uniform allowances)
- **39 of 41** of funded FY26 Full Time Equivalents (FTE). **7x highly competitive hiring actions in FY26:**
 - Finance Director
 - City Accountant (new FTE position)
 - Water Operator
 - (4) Police Officers - all POST certified
 - STEP grant (new FTE position)
 - Ongoing hiring action
 - Firefighter –
 - 4th Full time firefighter (new FTE position); 1/2 funded by Rural Fire District
 - Ongoing hiring action
- CoCF provides the highest insurance contribution (families/spouses/children) but slightly lower wages compared to other regional municipalities. **City provides ~90% of all insurance plan coverage.**
 - Permissive Medical Levy pays approx 50% of City's total costs for Medical Insurance



Priorities & Significant Projects:

Legislative – 410100

- Non-Profit building permit reimbursement at \$1,000/property (FY26: 8-10 properties)
- Geotechnical and Boring Contract (FY26 Carryover 1000/521000/820)

Tree City / Arbor Day – 410131/132

- Dangerous Tree Removal – ROW trees and Pinewood Park

Administrative – 410400

- Website and Social Media improvements
- *Council Priority: Enhance community communication and transparency to meet public expectations*

Finance – 410500

- 3yr Audit for FY24-FY26 - \$110,900 (Budget FY26 \$75K; FY27 \$35.8)

Acct/Obj	Highlighted Budget Items	FY26
410100/212	Minor updates to Council Chambers to include community chairs, electrical upgrades, A/V	\$10,000
410100/390	Res 1460 – Non-Profit building permit reimbursement @ \$1,000/property (FY26: 8-10 properties)	\$10,000
410100/399	Geotechnical and Boring Contract – 2024 Hillside Sloughing 6 th St E & 2 nd Ave E (Reserve \$75K)	\$35,000
410131/390	Dangerous Tree Removal	\$30,000
410500/353	Audit	0



Priorities & Significant Projects:

Computer Systems – 410580

- FY26 IT Strategic Upgrade shifting from aging servers to cloud-based network;
 - Carryover FY25/\$15K appropriated for new servers to FY26 Cloud Transition
 - Evaluate IT Service Contract framework
- Windows 10 -> Windows 11 Upgrade
- Police CJIN IT support service

Planning & Zoning – 411000

- MT Land Use Planning Act – Growth Policy Development
- Land Use Planning Contract

Facilities Admin – 411200

- City Hall Modernization (FY26 Repaint Exterior; FY27 Court/Bathrooms/Floor; FY28 Admin)

Acct/Obj	Highlighted Budget Items	FY26
410580/212	Upgrade outdated computer hardware for Windows 10-> Windows 11 transition	\$8,000
410580/355	IT Service Contract transition from Server Based to Cloud Based	\$15,000
411000/399	City Planner Contract increase for MLUPA & Growth Policy; Land Use Planning Contract	\$140,000
411200/366	City Hall Modernization (FY26 Repaint Exterior)	- 100 - 0

In work for FY27



Priorities & Significant Projects:

Law Enforcement – 420100

- Targeted Overtime Distribution (STEP, Stonegarden, Shift Coverage, In Service Training, Holiday, and Courts)
- FY26/Q3 – Cost-Benefit Analysis of a transition to modern Video and Taser Officer Safety System
 - 5 yr contract: 2.5-yr life cycle of technology upgrades; Virtual Reality training module
 - Improved data quality and reduced administrative burden for transfer of evidence/records management
 - Includes improved in-car cellular data system
- IT transition towards all Toughbook laptops and retire desktop computers; Police CJIN – IT service support.
- Annual Police Car – Cost-Benefit Analysis of technology buildouts (radar, radios, laptops, etc.) Longterm employee retention through career opportunities (SWAT, Task Force, Instructor Roles) and improvements in training and available technology.

Fire Protection & Control – 420400

- FY26/Q3 - +1 FTE; 50% split funding from City and Rural Fire **Not awarded SAFER grant**
- New Engine in FY26
- Received a VFA Grant to purchase 17 portable radios - \$30K grant with 50% match from Firefighter Assn
- *Council Priority: Prioritize vehicle and equipment maintenance and up-keep due to rising replacement costs.*

Acct/Obj	Highlighted Budget Items	FY26
420100/940	Police vehicle annual purchase	\$90,000
420100/399	Integrated Video and Taser Officer Safety System; cost-benefit analysis FY26/Q3 (\$38,000/yr contract)	\$19,000
420400/361	Engine 433 engine rebuild	- 101 - 0



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Road & Street Svcs – 430200
Tax Increment District Fund – 0
Special St Maint District – 2500
Gas Tax Fund – 2820
EDA Fund - 2959
RAISE Fund - 2995
Capital Projects – 4040
Cedar Creek Trust Fund - 2700

Priorities & Significant Projects:

Street and Sidewalk Services, Maintenance, Repairs

- Downtown Sidewalk and Parking Improvement Project
 - Phase 2 Construction **(TIF Fund 2310)**
 - Phase 1 & 2 – Chip sealing asphalt sections **(TIF Fund 2310)**
- Chip Sealing Projects – **(Gas Tax Fund 2820)**
 - 7th St E and Hilltop (Martha/Grace/Beth Rd)
- Gateway to Glacier Safety & Mobility Project – \$11M Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Federal Grant **(RAISE Fund 2995)**
- 4th Ave to Railroad St/8th Ave EN Transportation Alternative Sidewalk - MDOT led project **(Fund 4040)**
 - City contribution is currently \$213,873 (13.42% of total project costs)
- 12th Ave W and RR crossing EDA Grant – project completion **(EDA 2959)**
- City Hall Parking Lot and Alley **(TIF Fund 2310)** **Delayed**
- Sidewalk and Path Repairs
 - Julie’s Park and 5th St W Sidewalk repair **(Cedar Creek Trust Fund 2700)**
- Street Prioritization Plan

Acct/Obj	Highlighted Budget Items	FY26
2500/2820	Chip Sealing and Road Maintenance: 7 th St E, Hilltop (Martha/Grace/Beth) and prioritized street plan	\$235,500
2700/399	Sidewalk and Path Repairs: Julie’s Park, 5 th St W Sidewalk	0



Priorities & Significant Projects:

Parks and Recreation

- River's Edge Improvements
 - Fishing Pier Accessibility Project - ~~\$141,000~~ 110,993 (Resort Tax Fund 2100)
 - MT FWP - \$70,000
 - River's Edge Signs and Landscaping - \$30,000 (Fund 2100)
 - Non-Profit Grant Partners: Flathead River Alliance - \$10,000 and People & Carnivores - \$_____
 - Civic Organization (Rotary) donation - \$_____
 - Resort Tax Funding Infrastructure - \$100,000 (Fund 2100)
- Columbus Park – Improved parking along 2nd Ave E - \$_____ (460400) Delayed
- Swimming Pool – \$200,000 modernization in FY26
 - Boiler Replacement – ~~\$135,000~~ 106,126 (Resort Tax Fund 2100)
 - Splash Pad Sprinkler Features Replacement - \$35,000 (Resort Tax Fund 2100)
 - Interior and Floor Painting; Boiler House Paint and Fascia - \$22,000 (460445/366)
 - Robotic Vacuum - \$8,500 (Capital Project Fund 4010)

Acct/Obj	Highlighted Budget Items	FY26
2100 & 4010	River's Edge Improvements (fishing pier, signs)	\$100,000
2700/399	Swimming Pool Modernization	\$200,000
460400	Columbia Park – Parking along 2 nd Ave E	0



COLUMBIA FALLS MONTANA

Resort Tax Fund (2100)

Item No.8.

Background

- April 2019 – Montana Department of Commerce designated Columbia Falls a qualifying resort community under state law - tourism-based economy and population size.
- June 2020 – Voters approved a 3% resort tax authorizing a 20-year implementation period, with revenue allocations set: 55% public safety, 25% property tax relief, 14% infrastructure, 5% business collection reimbursements, and 1% city administration.
- October 2021 – Revenue collection began and will continue through September 2040.

Collection History:

FY25 - \$1,573,737
FY24 - \$1,412,783
FY23 - \$1,435,827
FY22 - \$518,453

Resort Tax Rebate History:

FY26 - \$441,480 (\$37,102 excess)
FY25 - \$371,785
FY24 - \$847,925 (\$637,960 excess)
FY23 - \$136,435

FY25 Resort Tax Analysis

Total FY25 Resort Tax Collections	\$1,656,565.46
Less: 5% Business Admin	\$82,828.27
Net to City for Distribution	\$1,573,737.19
Less: FY24-25 Budgeted Revenues	\$1,536,635.00
Excess Revenue for Tax Relief¹	\$37,102.19
 Total Revenue for City Distribution ²	 \$1,619,463.27
Public Safety - 55%	\$889,630.79
Other Infrastructure - 14%	\$226,451.47
City Admin - 1%	\$16,175.11
FY26 Annual Appropriation	\$1,133,624.29
 Tax Relief - 25%	 \$404,377.63
Excess Revenue for Tax Relief	\$37,102.19
Total Tax Relief	\$441,479.82

¹ Per state law, all excess collections above budget are added to tax relief

² Distribution Calculation is 100% of the projected budget or actual total revenue, whichever is less.



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Resort Tax Fund (2100)

Item No.8.

FY26 Appropriations

Public Safety – \$889,631

- \$323,880 3x Police Officers (fully burdened costs)
- \$255,393 2.25x Fire Fighters (fully burdened costs)
- \$90,000 Police Vehicle (annual purchase)
- \$20,000 Debt Payment for Fire Engine
- \$200,358 Reserve Cash (+\$212,927 from FY24) =
\$413,285 available for future

Infrastructure – \$226,451

- Options presented in future budget presentation, including capital improvements to Parks, Pool, Sidewalks, Roads, Facilities, etc.
 - \$170,000 Pool Modernization
 - \$100,000 River's Edge Improvements
- Infrastructure Reserve Balance: **\$258,633**

City Administration – \$16,175

FY26 Budget Projections

Total Resort Tax Collections	\$1,736,842
Less: 5% Business Admin	<u>\$86,842</u>
Net to City for Distribution	\$1,650,000
City Distribution:	
Public Safety - 55%	\$955,263
Other Infrastructure - 14%	\$243,158
City Admin - 1%	\$17,368
Property Tax Relief - 25%	\$434,211

FY26 Revenue to Date	Actual	Budget	% Rec
- Lodging	\$205,717	\$260,000	79%
- Bar & Restaurant	\$603,536	\$730,000	83%
- Retail	\$415,999	\$660,000	63%





Background:

- Columbia Falls maintains a low cost, high quality Municipal Water System that is **untreated** and **sourced from three deep groundwater wells**. City water supply does not require treatment to meet Safe Drinking Water Act Standards. City does not add chlorine or fluoride to the water system.
- Aging infrastructure includes a water storage tank and the associated single water transmission main from the tank to the City. An additional storage tank and transmission main will be required within the next decade.

Priorities & Significant Projects:

- FY27 Rate Adjustment – Columbia Falls Water Rate is **among the lowest rate in the State**
 - Last adjustment was in 2018 and the costs of service delivery, maintenance, and modernization exceeds the current revenue rate model
 - Contracting a formal FY26 Water Rate Study to inform rate-level discussions.
- Water Preliminary Engineering Report – Analyze current infrastructure, model system capacities, and identify future projects to ensure the City's infrastructure maintains sufficient capacity, resiliency, and redundancy to continue to provide safe and affordable drinking water to current residents and areas of potential growth.
- Gateway to Glacier Project: **New water mains installed on 4th Ave W, 7th St W, and 13th W**
 - \$400,000 transferred from 5211/Water Capital Expansion for City match
- 4th Ave Water Main: Replace water main North of Gateway to Glacier project to curve along Railroad St.
 - Project development and proposed funding – Delayed

Acct/Obj	Highlighted Budget Items	FY26
430500/354	Rate Study	\$30,565
430500/354	Water System PER in support of MLUPA	\$120,000
430500/240 & 399	Horine Well Variable Frequency Drive and Motor Repair	- 106 - 00



Background:

- Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) is **at or near capacity for future growth.**
- 2018 Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) recommended improvements and expansion of the WWTP
 - Installation of a second bioreactor and ongoing WWTP expansion needed to increase plant capacity
 - Only 1 of 5 recommended projects were financially feasible
 - 2025 PER is ongoing and will expand on required WWTP projects necessary to meet growth projections.
- County Landfill
 - FY25 increased rates for WWTP Biosolid Disposal – annual 3% increase for next 5 years
 - County is adjusting acceptance criteria for biosolids at the landfill - moisture content no greater than 18%. City averages 15.3% with a current maximum of 16.4%. **Current equipment is unable to meet 18%.**

Priorities & Significant Projects:

- Bioreactor Expansion Project – \$5M Phase II WWTP Expansion Project completed in October 2025. **Bioreactor performance greatly exceeding modeling projections - City planning for a new capacity study in Fall 2026.**
- FY27 Rate Adjustment – Columbia Falls Wastewater Rate is **among the lowest rate in the State**
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Acct/Obj	Highlighted Budget Items	FY26
430600/354	Rate Study	\$27,000
430600/354	Sewer System PER in support of MLUPA	- 107 - 00



Water Enterprise Fund Balance:

Funds			FY26 Budget	FY26 Mid-Year
5210	101000	Cash/Cash Equivalents	\$492,017	\$571,537
5210	102222	Bond Reserve 2005	\$35,308	\$35,308
5210	102223	Bond Reserve 2020	\$21,863	\$21,863
5210	102230	Surplus Capital	\$261,733	\$261,733
5210	102240	Replacement and Depreciation	\$586,754	\$586,754
5211	102230	Capital Expansion Surplus Capital	\$58,868	\$82,610

Wastewater Enterprise Fund Balance:

Funds			FY26 Budget	FY26 Mid-Year
5310	101000	Cash/Cash Equivalents	\$619,722	\$613,214
5310	102225	Bond Reserve 2009	\$24,467	\$24,467
5310	102226	Bond Reserve 2025	\$11,957	\$11,957
5310	102230	Surplus Capital	\$313,893	\$313,893
5310	102235	Restricted WWTP	\$481,734	\$481,734
5310	102240	Replacement and Depreciation	\$586,754	\$419,627
5311	102230	Capital Expansion Surplus Capital	\$1,298,501	\$1,240,665

Enterprise Funds Debt Service Balance:

	Principal	Interest	Total	Balance	Notes
Water 2020	\$30,000	\$13,238	\$43,238	\$537,000	2.5% interest rate – 2040 paid off
Sewer 2009	\$42,000	\$4,234	\$46,234	\$77,000 (B) \$129,000 (C)	B – 0.75% C – 3.0%
Sewer 2025	\$14,000	\$10,709	\$24,709	\$382,500	2.5% interest rate – 2045 paid off



Fund 4000 Building Improvements

	Item	Source of Funds	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	Future	Notes
Total Resources (includes) \$ 231,006	Court Room Modernization	General Fund	\$ 15,000	\$ 80,000					FY26 HVAC; FY27 lighting, flooring, furniture
Transfers In - GF \$ 100,000	City Hall Modernization	General Fund		\$ 100,000	\$ 40,000				FY26 Exterior Paint; FY27 Bathrooms, Hall Floor; FY28 Admin Spaces
Transfers In - Projects \$ -	Street Shop Modernization	General Fund	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000					FY26/27 Insulation and Roof
Investment Earnings \$ 4,500									
FY Projected Expenditures \$ 35,000									
Contingency \$ 10,000									
FY26 Closeout Projection \$ 186,006									
	Buildings Totals		\$ 35,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

FY26 Update:

- Court Room HVAC – On Track
- Street Shop – On Track

FY27 Outlook:

- City Hall Modernization – On Track



Fund 4010 Parks Improvements

		Item	Source of Funds	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	Future	Notes
Total Resources (includes)	\$ 657,576	River's Edge Fishing Pond Pier	Resort Tax, Grants, Donations	\$ 141,000						Transfers do not include other funding and only \$100K Resort Tax
Restricted (Pit to Park)	\$ 30,900	Aquatic Center Boiler	Resort Tax	\$ 135,000						Stainless steel boiler to extend life, reduce utilities & maintenance
Transfers In - GF	\$ 75,000	Aquatic Center Splash Pad Sprinklers	Resort Tax	\$ 35,000						Replace existing 25 year old fixtures
Transfers In - Projects	\$ 270,000	Aquatic Center Facility Modernization	General Fund	\$ 22,000						Interior and Floor Painting; Boiler House Paint and Repair
Investment Earnings	\$ 7,500	Aquatic Center Pool Vacuum	General Fund	\$ 8,500						Robotic vacuum; reduce labor costs and water loss
FY Projected Expenditures	\$ 381,500	Columbus Park West Parking Lot	General Fund	\$ 30,000						Additional parking lot at Columbus Park
Contingency	\$ 93,500	Pit to Park Development	Restricted Cash, Grants, Donations						\$ 150,000	\$150K (\$20-30K fencing; \$40-50K parking lot); \$30,900 restricted cash
FY26 Closeout Projection	\$ 182,576	Single Park Bathrooms	General Fund						\$ 40,000	\$40k per; informed by future Parks Master Plan
		Parks and Commons Irrigation	General Fund						\$ 10,000	\$10k per; informed by future Parks Master Plan
Not Included in Funding Projections		Horine T-Ball Field (as needed)	General Fund	\$ 10,000						In coordination with SD6 and Baseball Association
Targeted Grant & Donations - Fishing Pier	\$40,000 - \$60,000	Parks Total		\$ 381,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200,000	



Fund 4010 Parks Improvements

FY26 Update:

- **Fishing Pond Accessibility Project: \$ 110,933**
 - \$70,000 FWP Grant from FWP Bill Camps Memorial Fund
- **River's Edge Park Signs**
 - \$20,000 City
 - \$10,000 Flathead River Alliance partnership American Rivers grant
 - \$_____ Peoples and Carnivores partnership Heart of the Rockies grant
 - \$_____ Other community donations
- **Aquatic Center Boiler: \$106,126**
- **Aquatic Center Splash Pad Features: \$28,102**
 - Installation and other pool liner repairs: In work
- **Aquatic Center Other Projects: On track for \$30,500**
- **Columbus Park Parking Lot: Off track currently due to staff capacity**
- **Horine T-Ball Field: On hold; awaiting further coordination**



Fund 4020 Machinery & Equipment

	Item	Source of Funds	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	Future	Notes
Total Resources (includes) \$ 438,684	Police Car (Annual - 6 yr life rotation)	Resort Tax	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	
Restricted (Fire Dept) \$ 60,942	Fire Command Vehicle/Utility	Resort Tax / Rural Fire		\$ 135,000					50% split with CF Rural
Transfers In - GF \$ -	Fire Mobile Radio Purchase	Restricted Cash	\$ 49,000						
Transfers In - Projects \$ 90,000	Streets F650 (5 yd Dump Truck)	General Fund				\$ 130,000			Current model 2011
Investment Earnings \$ 12,000	Streets F650 (5 yd Dump Truck)	General Fund						\$ 130,000	Current model 2000
FY Projected Expenditures \$ 189,000	Streets F350	General Fund		\$ 90,000					Current model 2008
Contingency \$ 56,000	Streets Front End Loader	General Fund			\$ 165,000				Current model 2006
FY26 Closeout Projection \$ 193,684	Backhoe	General Fund					\$ 125,000		Current model 2007
	Parks F150	General Fund	\$ 50,000						Current model 2006
	Ford Tractor - Mower								Current model 1988
	Machinery & Equipment Total		\$ 189,000	\$ 315,000	\$ 255,000	\$ 220,000		\$ 220,000	

FY26 Update:

- Sewer Dump Truck Replacement (FY26 budget amendment) – On hold
- Police Patrol Vehicle – On track
- Parks Truck Replacement – On track



Fund 4040 Street Construction

	Item	Source of Funds	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	Future	Notes
Total Resources (includes) \$ 1,403,206	*Glacier to Gateway (65% for Streets / 35% Water)	RAISE Federal, City Match	\$ 3,250,000	\$ 3,250,000					Funded through RAISE
Restricted (RR St Sidewalk) \$ 149,923	*Downtown Sidewalks and Parking Phase 2	TIF District	\$ 1,100,000						Funded through TIF 2310
Transfers In - GF \$ 250,000	*City Hall Parking Lot and Alley	TIF District	\$ 150,000						Funded through TIF 2310
Transfers In - Projects \$ -	*12th Ave & RR - EDA Grant Match	EDA Grant, City Match	\$ 205,000						Funded through EDA 2959
Investment Earnings \$ 32,000	RR Street Sidewalk - TA Grant Match	TA Grant, City Match	\$ 150,000						City Share-\$213,873; Balance-\$149,923
FY Projected Expenditures \$ 150,000	Street Priority Plan (iWorq)				\$ 500,000		\$ 500,000		Major streets projects in even years
Contingency \$ 25,000									
FY26 Closeout Projection \$ 1,228,206									
<i>*Fund 4040 Summary does not include accounting of RAISE, EDA, TIF, and EDA funded projects</i>									
Street Construction Total			\$ 4,855,000	\$ 3,250,000	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000	\$ -	

FY26 Update:

- Glacier to Gateway: \$9,411,191 construction contract exceeded budget by \$552,099
- Downtown Sidewalk Phase 2: \$699,699 contract; \$400,000 in budget savings
- City Hall Parking Lot: Off track; delayed to a future FY
- MDT Railroad St: On track
- 12th Ave EDA Project: Off track due to staff capacity

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1000 GENERAL FUND											
310000 TAXES											
311010 Real Property Taxes	1,295,938	708,441	1,125,089	652,917	1,175,864	56%					0%
311020 Personal Property Taxes	39,372	36,527	10,221	15,160	0	***%					0%
311030 Motor Vehicle Taxes	41				0	0%					0%
312000 Penalty & Interest on	3,269	2,073	2,361	1,483	2,400	62%					0%
314150 Local Option - Marijuana	3,274	40,874	46,703	23,941	50,000	48%					0%
Group:	1,341,894	787,915	1,184,374	693,501	1,228,264	56%	0	0	0	0	0%
320000 LICENSES AND PERMITS											
322010 Alcoholic Beverage	8,438	8,073	7,238	6,638	6,500	102%					0%
322020 Professional Business	9,828	8,780	9,280	6,660	9,250	72%					0%
322030 General Business	14,688	13,673	14,340	10,900	14,000	78%					0%
323060 Non-Exclusive Cable TV	43,268	40,292	44,270	14,948	43,200	35%					0%
Group:	76,222	70,818	75,128	39,146	72,950	54%	0	0	0	0	0%
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES											
331010 Home Program Grant				147,000	0	0%					0%
331081 DNRC Forestry Grant/ VFA		3,000			0	0%					0%
331112 Stonegarden Grant CFDA #	158		2,116		3,125	0%					0%
331113 FEMA GRANT	49,718	3,336		329	0	***%					0%
334000 State Grants/Hwy Safety	3,207	5,390	7,230	2,040	15,761	13%					0%
334122 DNRC Grant	850	850	850		850	0%					0%
334140 MT DOJ - Grants		1,213			0	0%					0%
334220 SLIPA - HB 355			21,363		0	0%					0%
334230 DOC Housing Grant			30,000		0	0%					0%
335120 Gambling Licenses &	15,369	16,476	15,100	11,811	15,000	79%					0%
335230 State Entitlement	806,090	833,472	861,849	434,524	869,049	50%					0%
336020 State On-Behalf	261,663	306,177	338,274		377,230	0%					0%
337340 Flathead County (BMS)	10,372	11,714	13,571	8,781	13,500	65%					0%
337350 Flathead County (SRO)	20,000	20,000	20,000		20,000	0%					0%
337360 School District #6 (SRO)	7,000	7,000	7,000		7,000	0%					0%
Group:	1,174,427	1,208,628	1,317,353	457,485	1,468,515	31%	0	0	0	0	0%
340000 CHARGES FOR SERVICES											
341000 General Miscellaneous	6,081	2,640	2,675	964	2,500	39%					0%
341070 Planning and Zoning Fees	42,846	15,655	16,905	20,704	20,000	104%					0%
342020 Special Fire Protection	145,362	195,000	200,450	161,144	240,000	67%					0%
342021 Fire Protective	12,080	18,597	26,879	9,522	22,500	42%					0%
343005 Public Works Billing -				75	500	15%					0%
343300 Weed Control Charges -				194	0	***%					0%
346030 Swimming Pool User Fees	10,861	11,358	7,885	10,477	10,000	105%					0%
346031 Parks Use Permits/Fees	5,659	4,461	4,713	1,420	5,000	28%					0%
346033 Swim Lessons	4,644	13,081	8,420	4,534	10,000	45%					0%
346034 Individual Swim Pass	67	1,016	858	304	1,100	28%					0%

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						25-26	25-26	26-27	26-27	26-27	26-27
1000 GENERAL FUND											
346035 Lap Swim Pass	558	600	234	72	500	14%				0	0%
346036 Family Swim Pass	9,568	9,130	6,900	2,495	8,500	29%				0	0%
346037 Pool Parties	2,500	2,050	1,866	1,325	2,000	66%				0	0%
346050 Swim Team Agreement	10	10	10		10	0%				0	0%
Group:	240,236	273,598	277,795	213,230	322,610	66%	0	0	0	0	0%
350000 FINES AND FORFEITURES											
351030 City Courts Fines &	143,407	227,663	217,451	125,631	230,000	55%				0	0%
351031 Court Fines Surcharge	5,193	9,187	10,584	5,068	11,000	46%				0	0%
351034 Court Administration	753	392	799	376	800	47%				0	0%
Group:	149,353	237,242	228,834	131,075	241,800	54%	0	0	0	0	0%
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE											
362000 Refunds, Rebates,	2,526		613	8,094	0	***%				0	0%
366000 Miscellaneous	6,765	17	11,892	2,901	0	***%				0	0%
Group:	9,291	17	12,505	10,995	0	***%	0	0	0	0	0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS											
371010 Investment Earnings	111,506	184,314	170,241	78,663	175,000	45%				0	0%
Group:	111,506	184,314	170,241	78,663	175,000	45%	0	0	0	0	0%
380000 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES											
383000 Interfund Operating	583,216	1,504,149	1,286,146	1,240,749	1,430,587	87%				0	0%
Group:	583,216	1,504,149	1,286,146	1,240,749	1,430,587	87%	0	0	0	0	0%
Fund:	3,686,145	4,266,681	4,552,376	2,864,844	4,939,726	58%	0	0	0	0	0%
2100 RESORT TAX											
310000 TAXES											
315110 Resort Tax - Lodging	165,863	188,600	213,760	205,717	260,000	79%				0	0%
315120 Resort Tax - Bar &	673,512	682,095	716,042	603,536	730,000	83%				0	0%
315130 Resort Tax - Retail	596,452	542,088	643,936	415,999	660,000	63%				0	0%
Group:	1,435,827	1,412,783	1,573,738	1,225,252	1,650,000	74%	0	0	0	0	0%
Fund:	1,435,827	1,412,783	1,573,738	1,225,252	1,650,000	74%	0	0	0	0	0%

Account	22-23	23-24	Actuals	24-25	25-26	Current Budget	25-26	Rec. Budget	Prelim. Budget	Budget Change	Final Budget	% Old Budget
2260 Emergency Disaster												
310000 TAXES												
311010 Real Property Taxes		23,134	488		26		0 ***					0 0%
311020 Personal Property Taxes		19	323				0 0%					0 0%
312000 Penalty & Interest on		19	27		4		0 ***					0 0%
Group:		23,172	838		30		0 ***		0	0		0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS												
371010 Investment Earnings			1,045		497		1,000 50%					0 0%
Group:			1,045		497		1,000 50%		0	0		0 0%
Fund:		23,172	1,883		527		1,000 53%		0	0		0 0%
2310 TAX INCREMENT DISTRICT FUND												
310000 TAXES												
311010 Real Property Taxes	638,184	1,076,616	1,366,029		929,068		0 ***					0 0%
311020 Personal Property Taxes	24,804	26,768	25,857		37,960		0 ***					0 0%
312000 Penalty & Interest on	1,839	1,768	2,476		2,520		0 ***					0 0%
Group:	664,827	1,105,152	1,394,362		969,548		0 ***		0	0		0 0%
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES												
335230 State Entitlement	11,099	26,419	26,419		13,210		26,419 50%					0 0%
Group:	11,099	26,419	26,419		13,210		26,419 50%		0	0		0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS												
371010 Investment Earnings	58,521	109,098	121,355		73,502		90,000 82%					0 0%
Group:	58,521	109,098	121,355		73,502		90,000 82%		0	0		0 0%
Fund:	734,447	1,240,669	1,542,136		1,056,260		116,419 907%		0	0		0 0%
2311 TEDD-INDUSTRIAL PARK												
310000 TAXES												
311010 Real Property Taxes	6,038	26,408	33,462		19,689		0 ***					0 0%
Group:	6,038	26,408	33,462		19,689		0 ***		0	0		0 0%

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2311 TEDD-INDUSTRIAL PARK										
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES										
335230 State Entitlement	962	962	962	481	962	50%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
Group:	962	962	962	481	962	50%	0	0	0	0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS										
371010 Investment Earnings	1,400	1,767	2,751	1,825	2,500	73%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
Group:	1,400	1,767	2,751	1,825	2,500	73%	0	0	0	0 0%
Fund:	8,400	29,137	37,175	21,995	3,462	635%	0	0	0	0 0%
2312 TEDD - COLUMBIA RISING IND PARK										
310000 TAXES										
311010 Real Property Taxes	41,358	98,041	111,432	104,290	0	***%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
311020 Personal Property Taxes	43,959	56,924	66,924	122,033	0	***%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
Group:	85,317	154,965	178,356	226,323	0	***%	0	0	0	0 0%
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES										
335230 State Entitlement	3,218	11,184	11,391	5,696	11,391	50%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
Group:	3,218	11,184	11,391	5,696	11,391	50%	0	0	0	0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS										
371010 Investment Earnings	3,065	10,115	17,750	10,169	10,000	102%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
Group:	3,065	10,115	17,750	10,169	10,000	102%	0	0	0	0 0%
Fund:	91,600	176,264	207,497	242,188	21,391	***%	0	0	0	0 0%
2350 Local Government Review										
310000 TAXES										
311010 Real Property Taxes			48,073	906	0	***%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
311020 Personal Property Taxes			30	657	0	***%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
312000 Penalty & Interest on			59	46	0	***%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
Group:			48,162	1,609	0	***%	0	0	0	0 0%

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2350 Local Government Review												
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS				655	886		0 ***%					0 0%
371010 Investment Earnings				655	886		0 ***%		0	0		0 0%
Group:												
Fund:				48,817	2,495		0 ***%		0	0		0 0%
2372 PERMISSIVE MEDICAL LEVY												
310000 TAXES												
311010 Real Property Taxes	243,062	307,018		334,170	227,359	412,120	55%					0 0%
311020 Personal Property Taxes	6,600	7,006		4,390	4,479	0 ***%						0 0%
312000 Penalty & Interest on	581	535		786	470	0 ***%						0 0%
Group:	250,243	314,559		339,346	232,308	412,120	56%		0	0		0 0%
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES												
335230 State Entitlement	2,359	2,338		2,405	1,216	2,400	51%					0 0%
Group:	2,359	2,338		2,405	1,216	2,400	51%		0	0		0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS												
371010 Investment Earnings	2,645	2,997		1,576	344	1,700	20%					0 0%
Group:	2,645	2,997		1,576	344	1,700	20%		0	0		0 0%
Fund:	255,247	319,894		343,327	233,868	416,220	56%		0	0		0 0%
2394 BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT FUND												
320000 LICENSES AND PERMITS												
323010 Building Permits	47,106	65,781		100,503	29,944	100,000	30%					0 0%
323012 Plumbing/Mechanical	9,904	16,124		18,621	12,499	15,000	83%					0 0%
323013 Signs & Demolition	1,473	1,476		1,899	1,292	1,800	72%					0 0%
323014 Building Plan Review Fees	21,611	30,781		44,493	15,915	40,000	40%					0 0%
323020 Electrical Permits	9,346	8,925		19,264	4,159	15,000	28%					0 0%
Group:	89,440	123,087		184,780	63,809	171,800	37%		0	0		0 0%
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE												
362000 Refunds, Rebates,	50	558		49		0	0%					0 0%
Group:	50	558		49		0	0%		0	0		0 0%

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2394 BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT FUND												
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS												
371010 Investment Earnings	5,528	6,796		7,023	3,010	6,000	50%					0 0%
Group:	5,528	6,796		7,023	3,010	6,000	50%		0	0		0 0%
Fund:	95,018	130,441		191,852	66,819	177,800	38%		0	0		0 0%
2400 SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT FUND												
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE												
362000 Refunds, Rebates,	2,405	1,240		1,482			0 0%					0 0%
363010 Maintenance Assessments	30,149	30,128		29,924	18,160	30,049	60%					0 0%
363040 Penalty & Interest	87	74		73	62	0	***%					0 0%
Group:	32,641	31,442		31,479	18,222	30,049	61%		0	0		0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS												
371010 Investment Earnings	961	1,170		989	509	700	73%					0 0%
Group:	961	1,170		989	509	700	73%		0	0		0 0%
Fund:	33,602	32,612		32,468	18,731	30,749	61%		0	0		0 0%
2500 SPECIAL STREET MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FUND												
340000 CHARGES FOR SERVICES												
346000 Street Excavation Permits	1,000	550		650	250	1,000	25%					0 0%
Group:	1,000	550		650	250	1,000	25%		0	0		0 0%
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE												
362000 Refunds, Rebates,	1,023	62		62		0	0%					0 0%
363010 Maintenance Assessments	314,310	334,188		345,462	213,000	363,825	59%					0 0%
363040 Penalty & Interest	880	884		789	439	500	88%					0 0%
366000 Miscellaneous				1,077		0	0%					0 0%
Group:	316,213	335,134		347,390	213,439	364,325	59%		0	0		0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS												
371010 Investment Earnings	2,078	2,671		2,090	1,845	1,500	123%					0 0%
Group:	2,078	2,671		2,090	1,845	1,500	123%		0	0		0 0%

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2500 SPECIAL STREET MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FUND																			
380000 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES																			
383000 Interfund Operating		59,832	206,701	215,864	219,468	235,834	93%											0	0%
Group:		59,832	206,701	215,864	219,468	235,834	93%											0	0%
Fund:		379,123	545,056	565,994	435,002	602,659	72%											0	0%
2700 CEDAR CREEK TRUST																			
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS																			
371010 Investment Earnings		43,482	61,715	43,712	21,296	45,000	47%											0	0%
373000 Other principal/interest		150	288	15,628	6,592	44,491	15%											0	0%
Group:		43,632	62,003	59,340	27,888	89,491	31%											0	0%
Fund:		43,632	62,003	59,340	27,888	89,491	31%											0	0%
2820 GAS TAX FUND																			
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES																			
335040 Gasoline Tax		93,346	235,306	224,389	143,278	230,477	62%											0	0%
335041 Gas Tax-Special			196,574			0	0%											0	0%
Group:		93,346	431,880	224,389	143,278	230,477	62%											0	0%
Fund:		93,346	431,880	224,389	143,278	230,477	62%											0	0%
2917 CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE FUND																			
350000 FINES AND FORFEITURES																			
351034 Court Administration		3,320	4,158	5,375	2,707	7,000	39%											0	0%
Group:		3,320	4,158	5,375	2,707	7,000	39%											0	0%
Fund:		3,320	4,158	5,375	2,707	7,000	39%											0	0%

Account	22-23	23-24	Actuals	24-25	25-26	Current Budget	25-26	26-27	Prelim. Budget	Budget Change	Final Budget	% Old Budget
2940 CDBG-HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM GRANT FUND												
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE												
362020 HOME Program Repayment	7,627	7,627	7,627	7,627		7,627	0%				0	0%
Group:	7,627	7,627	7,627	7,627		7,627	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
Fund:	7,627	7,627	7,627	7,627		7,627	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
2955 HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY												
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES												
331150 Highway Safety Program			123,947			123,947	0%				0	0%
Group:			123,947			123,947	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
Fund:			123,947			123,947	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
2959 EDA												
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES												
331040 EDA	577,557	6,315				0	0%				0	0%
Group:	577,557	6,315				0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE												
365000 Contributions and	320,000					0	0%				0	0%
Group:	320,000					0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
380000 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES												
383000 Interfund Operating	100,000			100,000		0	0%				0	0%
Group:	100,000			100,000		0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
Fund:	997,557	6,315		100,000		0	0%	0	0	0	0	0%
2995 RAISE Grant												
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES												
331055 RAISE Grant			4,654	781,644	5,297,800	0%	0%				0	0%
Group:			4,654	781,644	5,297,800	0%	0%	0	0	0	0	0%

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2995 RAISE Grant										
380000 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			500,000	0	0	0%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
383000 Interfund Operating			500,000	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0 0%
Group:										
Fund:			1,281,644	4,654	5,297,800	0%	0	0	0	0 0%
3020 GO Street Improvements										
310000 TAXES										
311010 Real Property Taxes	1,787				0	0%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
311020 Personal Property Taxes	2,062				0	0%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
312000 Penalty & Interest on	93				0	0%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
Group:	3,942				0	0%	0	0	0	0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS										
371010 Investment Earnings	1,523				0	0%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
Group:	1,523				0	0%	0	0	0	0 0%
Fund:	5,465				0	0%	0	0	0	0 0%
3534 SID 34 FUND - 5th Avenue Water Main										
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE										
363020 Special Assmts - Bond P&I	5,791	5,366	5,598	0	0	0%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
363040 Penalty & Interest	11		4	0	0	0%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
Group:	5,802	5,366	5,602	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS										
371010 Investment Earnings	112	113	114	0	0	0%	-----	-----	-----	0 0%
Group:	112	113	114	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0 0%
Fund:	5,914	5,479	5,716	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0 0%

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3536 SID 36 FUND - Talbott & 4th Avenue Water Main										
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE										
363020 Special Asmts - Bond P&I	3,344	3,080	3,607		0	0%				0%
363040 Penalty & Interest	7	8	10		0	0%				0%
Group:	3,351	3,088	3,617		0	0%	0	0	0	0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS										
371010 Investment Earnings	102	88	115		0	0%				0%
Group:	102	88	115		0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Fund:	3,453	3,176	3,732		0	0%	0	0	0	0%
3538 SID 38 FUND - Riverwood										
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE										
363020 Special Asmts - Bond P&I	27,609	26,902	32,545	14,394	24,493	59%				0%
363040 Penalty & Interest		14	48	30	0	***%				0%
Group:	27,609	26,916	32,593	14,424	24,493	59%	0	0	0	0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS										
371010 Investment Earnings	677	617	157	29	0	***%				0%
Group:	677	617	157	29	0	***%	0	0	0	0%
Fund:	28,286	27,533	32,750	14,453	24,493	59%	0	0	0	0%
4000 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - Building Improvements										
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS										
371010 Investment Earnings	5,292	7,742	5,637	2,508	4,500	56%				0%
Group:	5,292	7,742	5,637	2,508	4,500	56%	0	0	0	0%
380000 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES										
383000 Interfund Operating	6,000	71,000		100,000	100,000	100%				0%
Group:	6,000	71,000		100,000	100,000	100%	0	0	0	0%
Fund:	11,292	78,742	5,637	102,508	104,500	98%	0	0	0	0%

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4010 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - Parks Improvements										
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES										
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL				330,000		0	0%			0
Group:				330,000		0	0%	0	0	0%
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE										
365000 Contributions and	27,000	50,000		385,044		0	0%			0
365050 Cash in lieu of Parks	1,000					1,000	0%			0
Group:	28,000	50,000		385,044		1,000	0%	0	0	0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS										
371010 Investment Earnings	9,166	13,247		9,821	6,031	7,500	80%			0
Group:	9,166	13,247		9,821	6,031	7,500	80%	0	0	0
380000 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES										
383000 Interfund Operating	54,047			58,000	345,000	345,000	100%			0
Group:	54,047			58,000	345,000	345,000	100%	0	0	0
Fund:	91,213	63,247		782,865	351,031	353,500	99%	0	0	0
4020 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - General Equipment										
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE										
365000 Contributions and		487,530			205	0	0%			0
366000 Miscellaneous						0	***%			0
Group:		487,530			205	0	***%	0	0	0
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS										
371010 Investment Earnings	12,510	15,423		16,207	8,855	12,000	74%			0
Group:	12,510	15,423		16,207	8,855	12,000	74%	0	0	0
380000 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES										
381070 Proceeds from Loans		141,786				0	0%			0
382000 Proceeds of General Fixed		15,500				0	0%			0
382010 Sale of General Fixed	4,899	2,750		68,000	16,000	0	***%			0
383000 Interfund Operating	92,337	294,864		106,000	190,000	190,000	100%			0
Group:	97,236	454,900		174,000	206,000	190,000	108%	0	0	0
Fund:	109,746	957,853		190,207	215,060	202,000	106%	0	0	0

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4040 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - Street Construction										
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES										
335041 Gax Tax-Special		464,114			0	0%				0 0%
Group:		464,114			0	0%	0	0	0	0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS										
371010 Investment Earnings	29,588	40,507	38,033	22,230	32,000	69%				0 0%
Group:	29,588	40,507	38,033	22,230	32,000	69%	0	0	0	0 0%
380000 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES										
383000 Interfund Operating	123,035		400,000	350,000	350,000	100%				0 0%
Group:	123,035		400,000	350,000	350,000	100%	0	0	0	0 0%
Fund:	152,623	504,621	438,033	372,230	382,000	97%	0	0	0	0 0%
5210 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND										
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES										
331010 Home Program Grant					120,000	0%				0 0%
331991 CARES/ARPA GRANT	143,000				0	0%				0 0%
334220 SLIPA - HB 355			58,827		0	0%				0 0%
336020 State On-Behalf	8,522	5,821			0	0%				0 0%
Group:	151,522	5,821	58,827		120,000	0%	0	0	0	0 0%
340000 CHARGES FOR SERVICES										
343020 Water Administration Fee		125	250	125	125	100%				0 0%
343021 Metered Water Sales	741,380	729,804	734,794	463,175	730,000	63%				0 0%
343022 Water Testing Charge -	4,350	4,296	4,272	4,428	4,400	101%				0 0%
343024 Sale of Materials,	16,805	3,198	22,668	11,856	20,000	59%				0 0%
343025 Water Permit Fees	550	100	600	450	750	60%				0 0%
343026 Water Connection Fees/New	4,545	1,140	2,090	1,565	4,500	35%				0 0%
343027 Repairs/Materials &	17,211	21,572	22,478	18,800	30,000	63%				0 0%
343028 Late Charges/Disconnect &	7,819	5,407	9,366	6,319	7,500	84%				0 0%
Group:	792,660	765,642	796,518	506,718	797,275	64%	0	0	0	0 0%
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE										
362000 Refunds, Rebates,	4,094	1,364	2,645	812	0	***%				0 0%
363020 Special Assmts - Bond P&I	725	489	239		0	0%				0 0%
365100 Donated Infrastructure		18,050			0	0%				0 0%
366000 Miscellaneous	1,100	1,926	74		0	0%				0 0%
Group:	5,919	21,829	2,958	812	0	***%	0	0	0	0 0%

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5210 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND											
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS											
371010 Investment Earnings	47,573	63,615		61,345	27,184	55,000	49%				0 0%
Group:	47,573	63,615		61,345	27,184	55,000	49%	0	0		0 0%
380000 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES											
382010 Sale of General Fixed	146,500	200				0	0%				0 0%
383000 Interfund Operating						0	0%				0 0%
Group:	146,500	200				0	0%	0	0		0 0%
Fund:	1,144,174	857,107		919,648	534,714	972,275	55%	0	0		0 0%
5211 WATER CAPITAL EXPANSION											
340000 CHARGES FOR SERVICES											
343029 Plant Investment Fees	43,246	21,201		44,378	22,525	45,000	50%				0 0%
Group:	43,246	21,201		44,378	22,525	45,000	50%	0	0		0 0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS											
371010 Investment Earnings	17,549	18,621		6,410	1,216	7,000	17%				0 0%
Group:	17,549	18,621		6,410	1,216	7,000	17%	0	0		0 0%
Fund:	60,795	39,822		50,788	23,741	52,000	46%	0	0		0 0%
5310 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND											
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES											
331010 Home Program Grant						125,000	0%				0 0%
331991 CARES/ARPA GRANT		781,531		2,095,655		0	0%				0 0%
334220 SLIPA - HB 355				199,374	43,269	79,629	54%				0 0%
336020 State On-Behalf	10,714	10,057				0	0%				0 0%
Group:	10,714	791,588		2,295,029	43,269	204,629	21%	0	0		0 0%
340000 CHARGES FOR SERVICES											
343030 Sewer Administrative Fees	275	125		125	125	125	100%				0 0%
343031 Sewer Service Charges	1,129,088	1,139,875		1,123,594	655,565	1,130,000	58%				0 0%
343032 Sewer Connection Fees/New	2,700	900		1,950	1,200	3,000	40%				0 0%
343033 Sewer Permit Fees	950	300		650	400	1,000	40%				0 0%
343035 Sale of Materials,	1,144	3,439		844	542	2,500	22%				0 0%

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5310 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND											
343038 Disposal Fee Agreements	12,838	7,165	7,995	1,890	8,500	22%				0	0%
Group:	1,146,995	1,151,804	1,135,158	659,722	1,145,125	58%	0	0		0	0%
360000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE											
362000 Refunds, Rebates,	6,451	4,866	4,413	1,354	0	***%				0	0%
363020 Special Assmts - Bond P&I	430	294	147		0	0%				0	0%
365100 Donated Infrastructure	53,481	28,670			0	0%				0	0%
366000 Miscellaneous	1,100		149		0	0%				0	0%
Group:	61,462	33,830	4,709	1,354	0	***%	0	0		0	0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS											
371010 Investment Earnings	67,217	92,066	79,428	40,591	78,000	52%				0	0%
Group:	67,217	92,066	79,428	40,591	78,000	52%	0	0		0	0%
380000 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES											
381021 Revenue Bonds - WPCSRF			313,099	54,401	54,401	100%				0	0%
381022 Revenue Bonds - WPCSRF			325,877	56,623	56,623	100%				0	0%
382000 Proceeds of General Fixed		1,750			0	0%				0	0%
383000 Interfund Operating	681,775	210,955	799,151		715,065	0%				0	0%
Group:	681,775	212,705	1,438,127	111,024	826,089	13%	0	0		0	0%
Fund:	1,968,163	2,281,993	4,952,451	855,960	2,253,843	38%	0	0		0	0%
5311 SEWER CAPITAL EXPANSION											
340000 CHARGES FOR SERVICES											
343039 Plant Investment Fees To	60,479	39,026	46,055	20,493	60,000	34%				0	0%
Group:	60,479	39,026	46,055	20,493	60,000	34%	0	0		0	0%
370000 INVESTMENT EARNINGS											
371010 Investment Earnings	44,684	55,153	53,556	23,767	50,000	48%				0	0%
Group:	44,684	55,153	53,556	23,767	50,000	48%	0	0		0	0%
Fund:	105,163	94,179	99,611	44,260	110,000	40%	0	0		0	0%

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7120 FIRE RELIEF DISABILITY/PENSION FUND										
310000 TAXES										
311010 Real Property Taxes	42,989	42,482	35,937	11,364	19,900	57%				0%
311020 Personal Property Taxes	1,373	1,226	609	479	0	***%				0%
312000 Penalty & Interest on	111	66	72	43	0	***%				0%
Group:	44,473	43,774	36,618	11,886	19,900	60%	0	0	0	0%
330000 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES										
335050 Insurance Premium	13,449	22,307	22,705		21,300	0%				0%
335230 State Entitlement	8,623	8,915	9,219	4,648	9,296	50%				0%
Group:	22,072	31,222	31,924	4,648	30,596	15%	0	0	0	0%
Fund:	66,545	74,996	68,542	16,534	50,496	33%	0	0	0	0%
7196 FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT										
390000 OTHER										
395100 Flexible Spending	28,788	20,554	16,941	11,461	0	***%				0%
Group:	28,788	20,554	16,941	11,461	0	***%	0	0	0	0%
Fund:	28,788	20,554	16,941	11,461	0	***%	0	0	0	0%
Grand Total:	11,646,511	13,697,994	18,342,559	8,888,460	18,220,875		0	0	0	

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1000 GENERAL FUND										
410100 LEGISLATIVE SERVICES										
110 Salaries and Wages	19,200	18,600	19,200	11,200	19,200	58%	—	—	—	0%
140 Employer Contributions	2,426	2,358	2,458	1,448	2,466	59%	—	—	—	0%
210 Office Supplies			60		0	0%	—	—	—	0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000	4,930		12,306	2,537	10,000	25%	—	—	—	0%
220 Operating Supplies	772	453	564	745	750	99%	—	—	—	0%
331 Legal Notices					800	0%	—	—	—	0%
335 Membership & Dues	3,119	3,527	700	9,130	9,330	98%	—	—	—	0%
380 Training & Certification	90	681	134	104	1,000	10%	—	—	—	0%
390 Other Purchased Services	580	1,298	7,532	120	10,000	1%	—	—	—	0%
399 Other Contracted Services	57,036	26,285	18,122	39,565	80,000	49%	—	—	—	0%
Account:	88,153	53,202	61,076	64,849	133,546	49%	0	0	0	0%
410131 Tree City Program (Tree Board)										
110 Salaries and Wages	8,096	7,791	7,014	6,030	9,681	62%	—	—	—	0%
120 Overtime	114	192	81	77	178	43%	—	—	—	0%
140 Employer Contributions	1,689	1,623	1,420	1,153	2,026	57%	—	—	—	0%
180 Health Insurance	2,233	2,164	1,977	1,816	2,689	68%	—	—	—	0%
220 Operating Supplies					500	0%	—	—	—	0%
335 Membership & Dues					30	0%	—	—	—	0%
380 Training & Certification					500	0%	—	—	—	0%
390 Other Purchased Services	5,000	11,775	1,006	18,741	30,000	62%	—	—	—	0%
Account:	17,132	23,545	11,498	27,817	45,604	61%	0	0	0	0%
410132 Arbor Day (Tree Board)										
220 Operating Supplies		32	82		0	0%	—	—	—	0%
390 Other Purchased Services	2,400	1,058	908		1,000	0%	—	—	—	0%
Account:	2,400	1,090	990		1,000	0%	0	0	0	0%
410360 CITY COURT										
110 Salaries and Wages	139,929	148,627	158,270	104,271	164,479	63%	—	—	—	0%
140 Employer Contributions	24,930	26,160	27,285	18,006	28,523	63%	—	—	—	0%
180 Health Insurance	13,536	17,990	29,169	20,376	32,602	62%	—	—	—	0%
190 Deferred Comp	8,334	7,466	3,993	3,025	4,872	62%	—	—	—	0%
210 Office Supplies	1,169	1,618	2,907	1,299	3,000	43%	—	—	—	0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000	677	635	793	330	1,000	33%	—	—	—	0%
220 Operating Supplies	31	62	179		0	0%	—	—	—	0%
310 Postage & Freight	1,828	2,040	2,236	1,811	2,500	72%	—	—	—	0%
335 Membership & Dues	270	420	400	400	400	100%	—	—	—	0%
345 Phone & Fax	987	994	982	695	1,200	58%	—	—	—	0%
380 Training & Certification	2,031	2,859	2,770	1,082	3,000	27%	—	—	—	0%
390 Other Purchased Services	117				3,000	0%	—	—	—	0%
399 Other Contracted Services	207	494	131	384	2,600	15%	—	—	—	0%
Account:	194,046	209,365	229,115	151,679	248,176	61%	0	0	0	0%

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410365	CITY COURT PROSECUTION											
350	Legal Services/Contract	43,399	46,630	51,704	40,712	54,289	75%				0	0%
399	Other Contracted Services	43,399	46,630	51,704	40,712	54,789	74%		0		0	0%
	Account:											
410400	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES											
110	Salaries and Wages	35,794	56,999	41,979	32,856	50,250	65%				0	0%
140	Employer Contributions	6,878	9,361	3,856	3,093	4,405	70%				0	0%
180	Health Insurance	7,843	8,129	2,330	6,269	10,030	63%				0	0%
190	Deferred Comp	6,859	7,203	1,295	2,849	4,558	63%				0	0%
220	Operating Supplies		230			0	0%				0	0%
335	Membership & Dues	1,162	768	325	50	930	5%				0	0%
345	Phone & Fax	269	244	387	339	419	81%				0	0%
354	Engineering/Consulting	2,000				5,000	0%				0	0%
380	Training & Certification	446	871	561	1,039	3,000	35%				0	0%
390	Other Purchased Services		639	18,401	1,500	3,000	50%				0	0%
399	Other Contracted Services	61,251	84,444	86,134	47,995	81,592	59%		0		0	0%
	Account:											
410500	DEPT. OF FINANCE											
110	Salaries and Wages	96,288	104,700	117,731	80,044	138,343	58%				0	0%
120	Overtime	1,078	1,629	1,578	1,000	1,720	58%				0	0%
140	Employer Contributions	17,323	18,383	20,531	14,131	24,175	58%				0	0%
180	Health Insurance	23,499	29,840	17,402	6,368	16,347	39%				0	0%
190	Deferred Comp	2,426	1,455	3,794	4,811	7,313	66%				0	0%
210	Office Supplies	3,052	2,771	4,058	1,555	3,200	49%				0	0%
212	Small Equipment < \$5,000	90	15	192	85	1,500	6%				0	0%
220	Operating Supplies	221	55	276	178	250	71%				0	0%
310	Postage & Freight	1,054	2,786	1,502	449	3,000	15%				0	0%
330	Subscriptions & Books	50	405	59	62	500	12%				0	0%
331	Legal Notices	6,235	2,559	4,025	1,253	4,000	31%				0	0%
335	Membership & Dues	280	280	1,470	1,393	1,800	77%				0	0%
345	Phone & Fax	269	244	387	339	500	68%				0	0%
353	Audit	7,768	7,100	11,170	31,016	56,325	55%				0	0%
355	Data Processing Services	600	956	1,402	273	1,500	18%				0	0%
360	Maintenance & Repair		100			0	0%				0	0%
363	Office Maintenance/Agreem	10,657	12,760	11,738	12,010	13,500	89%				0	0%
380	Training & Certification	3,912	1,194	2,986	1,581	3,500	45%				0	0%
390	Other Purchased Services	1,172	774	3,109	1,399	1,000	140%				0	0%
399	Other Contracted Services	4,157	3,013	12,979	2,503	6,500	39%				0	0%
	Account:	180,131	191,019	216,389	160,450	284,973	56%		0		0	0%
410580	Computer Systems & Programs											
212	Small Equipment < \$5,000	8,288	792	3,580	1,152	12,000	10%				0	0%
220	Operating Supplies	125		55		0	0%				0	0%
345	Phone & Fax	3,806	4,138	5,160	3,376	5,200	65%				0	0%
355	Data Processing Services	32,317	31,275	30,859	21,483	36,000	60%				0	0%
360	Maintenance & Repair	44,536	36,205	39,654	26,011	53,700	48%				0	0%
	Account:											

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411000 PLANNING & ZONING											
110 Salaries and Wages	20,005	26,180	23,298	16,329	25,799	63%				0	0%
120 Overtime	71	43	36	97	120	81%				0	0%
140 Employer Contributions	3,792	4,410	3,065	1,822	3,505	52%				0	0%
180 Health Insurance	2,400	8,315	7,147	6,176	9,880	63%				0	0%
190 Deferred Comp	2,832	1,720	309	680	1,088	63%				0	0%
210 Office Supplies	12	319	95	175	300	58%				0	0%
240 Repair & Maintenance Supp		4			0	0%				0	0%
310 Postage & Freight	725	543	446	309	1,000	31%				0	0%
331 Legal Notices	2,320	587	1,270	1,454	3,000	48%				0	0%
350 Legal Services/Contract	3,498	4,906	4,168	3,280	4,376	75%				0	0%
380 Training & Certification					1,000	0%				0	0%
390 Other Purchased Services	4,147	1,894	1,730	565	2,000	28%				0	0%
399 Other Contracted Services	39,332	24,386	85,786	42,278	180,000	23%				0	0%
Account:	79,134	73,307	127,350	73,165	232,068	32%		0		0	0%
411100 LEGAL SERVICES											
330 Subscriptions & Books		824			825	0%				0	0%
350 Legal Services/Contract	23,177	30,688	27,612	21,747	28,992	75%				0	0%
351 Litigation/Add'l Legal Se	29,496	3,486	11,560	203	25,000	1%				0	0%
Account:	52,673	34,998	39,172	21,950	54,817	40%		0		0	0%
411200 FACILITIES ADMINISTRATION											
110 Salaries and Wages	8,163	7,380	5,120	6,090	9,318	65%				0	0%
140 Employer Contributions	1,484	1,340	896	1,065	1,648	65%				0	0%
180 Health Insurance	2,388	2,045	1,641	1,909	3,054	63%				0	0%
210 Office Supplies		50	26		75	0%				0	0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000	2,686	1,112	970		3,000	0%				0	0%
220 Operating Supplies	2,682	2,645	1,023	944	2,500	38%				0	0%
224 Janitorial/Cleaning Suppl	5,543	6,070	6,545	3,923	6,500	60%				0	0%
231 Gas & Oil	87	24	175	133	150	89%				0	0%
240 Repair & Maintenance Supp	493	2,009	1,568	220	3,000	7%				0	0%
340 Utility Services	999	1,166	1,145	703	1,400	50%				0	0%
341 Electric Utility	4,937	4,820	4,931	3,004	5,300	57%				0	0%
342 Water & Sewer	2,217	1,695	1,574	959	1,800	53%				0	0%
344 Gas Utility	5,560	3,214	3,258	1,564	3,500	45%				0	0%
345 Phone & Fax	149	149	149	195	200	98%				0	0%
354 Engineering/Consulting					5,000	0%				0	0%
360 Maintenance & Repair	2,214	289	782	389	3,000	13%				0	0%
366 Building Maintenance & Re	17,192	16,013	44,498	38,009	45,000	84%				0	0%
380 Training & Certification		78			150	0%				0	0%
390 Other Purchased Services	72	72	104	72	250	29%				0	0%
399 Other Contracted Services	45,372	43,103	43,143	23,800	44,000	54%				0	0%
Account:	102,238	93,274	117,548	82,979	138,845	60%		0		0	0%
411800 Employee Asst Program & Flex Plan											
399 Other Contracted Services	1,455	1,305	1,180	1,355	1,300	104%				0	0%
Account:	1,455	1,305	1,180	1,355	1,300	104%		0		0	0%

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420100 LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES										
110 Salaries and Wages	839,722	785,441	926,175	596,077	1,002,094	59%				0%
120 Overtime	98,850	65,067	118,183	46,076	65,768	70%				0%
121 Overtime - STEP	3,048	5,072	6,881	2,160	15,000	14%				0%
122 Overtime - Stonegarden	158		2,013		2,502	0%				0%
124 PD Training OT			426	16,302	19,200	85%				0%
125 PD Court OT				2,929	4,800	61%				0%
140 Employer Contributions	159,626	159,254	178,790	112,098	192,670	58%				0%
145 Police-State Contribution	209,999	219,117	244,662		268,296	0%				0%
180 Health Insurance	147,032	179,175	208,603	174,063	264,072	66%				0%
190 Deferred Comp	14,190	10,885	8,569	5,919	13,104	45%				0%
210 Office Supplies	5,030	5,998	5,401	3,191	5,300	60%				0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000	4,419	16,874	17,278	15,533	16,000	97%				0%
220 Operating Supplies	9,105	7,295	19,073	1,358	9,100	15%				0%
226 Clothing/Uniforms	1,643	4,144	4,458	4,008	4,400	91%				0%
231 Gas & Oil	26,387	32,323	33,155	18,447	35,000	53%				0%
232 Vehicle Parts	355	564	743	619	1,000	62%				0%
240 Repair & Maintenance Supp	46	373			0	0%				0%
310 Postage & Freight	885	999	1,368	856	1,300	66%				0%
335 Membership & Dues	7,990	9,701	4,588	5,353	9,000	59%				0%
341 Electric Utility	471	482	499	304	500	61%				0%
344 Gas Utility	951	671	689	403	750	54%				0%
345 Phone & Fax	12,216	13,196	13,645	7,398	16,000	46%				0%
355 Data Processing Services	4,345	6,523	7,715	7,701	6,600	117%				0%
360 Maintenance & Repair			788	875	800	109%				0%
361 Motor Vehicle M & R	11,562	18,152	23,231	10,015	20,000	50%				0%
363 Office Maintenance/Agreem	3,204	2,987	4,914	4,707	5,000	94%				0%
380 Training & Certification	12,177	20,283	24,718	14,734	24,000	61%				0%
390 Other Purchased Services	5,518	7,624	13,141	6,350	8,000	79%				0%
399 Other Contracted Services	7,892	5,306	3,087	22,930	25,000	92%				0%
Account:	1,586,821	1,577,506	1,872,793	1,080,406	2,035,256	53%	0	0	0	0%
420400 FIRE PROTECTION & CONTROL										
110 Salaries and Wages	168,057	271,527	292,158	190,444	338,048	56%				0%
120 Overtime	2,178	4,305	6,624	2,545	7,860	32%				0%
140 Employer Contributions	39,593	62,244	69,625	44,351	84,587	52%				0%
146 Fire-State Contribution	51,664	87,060	93,612		108,934	0%				0%
180 Health Insurance	51,254	83,458	89,775	62,963	111,606	56%				0%
190 Deferred Comp	2,593	1,480			0	0%				0%
210 Office Supplies		533	463	702	400	176%				0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000	3,895	3,301	4,413	873	3,500	25%				0%
220 Operating Supplies	5,796	4,074	5,962	9,276	10,500	88%				0%
224 Janitorial/Cleaning Suppl			170	14	200	7%				0%
226 Clothing/Uniforms	4,642	5,676	10,153	2,507	10,000	25%				0%
231 Gas & Oil	9,416	9,574	8,305	5,987	12,000	50%				0%
232 Vehicle Parts	1,360	1,556	1,206	1,116	1,600	70%				0%
240 Repair & Maintenance Supp	211	206	583	41	500	8%				0%
310 Postage & Freight	287	173	223	22	350	6%				0%
330 Subscriptions & Books	282			225	350	64%				0%

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335 Membership & Dues	305	315	365	75	400	19%				0%
341 Electric Utility	3,961	4,564	5,133	3,058	4,900	62%				0%
342 Water & Sewer	437	445	451	256	500	51%				0%
344 Gas Utility	7,890	5,560	6,823	3,858	7,500	51%				0%
345 Phone & Fax	1,506	2,196	2,547	1,647	3,500	47%				0%
355 Data Processing Services			119	83	300	28%				0%
360 Maintenance & Repair	9,027	3,947	1,038	1,072	5,000	21%				0%
361 Motor Vehicle M & R	33,865	23,578	38,673	41,411	75,000	55%				0%
366 Building Maintenance & Re	579	221	221	221	600	37%				0%
380 Training & Certification	8,285	6,773	9,366	6,093	13,000	47%				0%
390 Other Purchased Services	8,569	3,440	1,739	5,554	8,000	69%				0%
394 Sampling & Testing	6,811	9,678	13,931	7,800	12,000	65%				0%
399 Other Contracted Services	3,335	636	1,711	398	750	53%				0%
Account:	425,798	596,520	665,389	392,592	821,885	48%	0	0	0	0%
420730 Emergency Medical Services										
220 Operating Supplies	781	130	2,897	435	7,375	6%				0%
335 Membership & Dues		35	110		125	0%				0%
380 Training & Certification	2,986	1,388	2,929	899	6,000	15%				0%
Account:	3,767	1,553	5,936	1,334	13,500	10%	0	0	0	0%
430200 ROAD & STREET SERVICES										
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000			46		11,000	0%				0%
220 Operating Supplies			46		11,000	0%		0	0	0%
Account:										
430400 Transit Systems										
300 Purchased Services	5,500	5,500	5,500		5,500	0%				0%
Account:	5,500	5,500	5,500		5,500	0%	0	0	0	0%
431200 Flood Control-High Hazard Dam										
110 Salaries and Wages	2,401	2,171	1,506	1,791	2,741	65%				0%
140 Employer Contributions	437	394	264	313	485	65%				0%
180 Health Insurance	702	601	483	561	898	62%				0%
380 Training & Certification		12		478	0	***%				0%
399 Other Contracted Services				16,375	31,500	52%				0%
Account:	3,540	3,178	2,253	19,518	35,624	55%	0	0	0	0%
440600 ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES										
300 Purchased Services	4,250	4,250	4,250		4,250	0%				0%
Account:	4,250	4,250	4,250		4,250	0%	0	0	0	0%
460400 PARK & RECREATION SERVICES										
110 Salaries and Wages	74,516	97,858	84,410	64,441	107,893	60%				0%
120 Overtime	1,101	3,198	858	951	1,695	56%				0%
140 Employer Contributions	13,988	18,803	15,196	10,797	20,644	52%				0%
180 Health Insurance	10,497	17,358	14,613	10,588	16,794	63%				0%
210 Office Supplies			48		0	0%				0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000	511	3,258	1,327	539	5,000	11%				0%

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220 Operating Supplies	15,703	7,039	5,438	1,124	7,500	15%					0%
221 Chemicals	32		66	19	100	19%					0%
224 Janitorial/Cleaning Suppl	5	388	244	497	500	99%					0%
225 Recreation Supplies	1,819	716	3,552	20	5,000	0%					0%
226 Clothing/Uniforms	282	281	41	76	300	25%					0%
231 Gas & Oil	3,444	5,038	4,655	2,101	5,100	41%					0%
232 Vehicle Parts	501	179	415	4	500	1%					0%
240 Repair & Maintenance Supp	5,273	2,167	2,073	2,080	5,500	38%					0%
335 Membership & Dues		394	341	68	345	20%					0%
340 Utility Services	1,197	812	763	468	1,300	36%					0%
341 Electric Utility	5,004	5,615	6,081	3,648	6,000	61%					0%
342 Water & Sewer	15,730	13,689	11,760	9,646	14,000	69%					0%
345 Phone & Fax		348	597	353	350	101%					0%
354 Engineering/Consulting		19,218	7,397	3,086	10,000	31%					0%
360 Maintenance & Repair	1,465	9,289	28,601	49	15,000	0%					0%
361 Motor Vehicle M & R		577	896	3,016	600	503%					0%
366 Building Maintenance & Re	4,997	1,858		245	2,000	12%					0%
380 Training & Certification		592	488		600	0%					0%
390 Other Purchased Services	861	298	1,127	170	4,500	4%					0%
399 Other Contracted Services	24,353	15,201	14,035	5,380	15,000	36%					0%
452 Gravel and Sand			90	606	1,000	61%					0%
930 New Improvements/Misc.		8,968	329		0	0%					0%
Account:	181,279	233,142	205,441	119,972	247,221	49%		0		0	0%
460439 Other Parks Activities						0%					0%
390 Other Purchased Services	77,654				0	***%					0%
Account:	77,654				0			0		0	0%
460445 SWIMMING POOL											
110 Salaries and Wages	54,779	54,846	53,098	50,864	57,400	89%					0%
120 Overtime	2,341	2,485	3,509	531	250	212%					0%
140 Employer Contributions	6,007	5,659	5,544	4,981	6,670	75%					0%
180 Health Insurance	340	61			0	0%					0%
210 Office Supplies	120	27	53	40	200	20%					0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000		120	72	259	2,500	10%					0%
220 Operating Supplies	2,045	1,905	1,394	355	2,500	14%					0%
221 Chemicals	12,917	19,994	13,879	15,922	20,000	80%					0%
224 Janitorial/Cleaning Suppl	93		18		200	0%					0%
225 Recreation Supplies			67		500	0%					0%
226 Clothing/Uniforms	827	-65	1,050		1,300	0%					0%
240 Repair & Maintenance Supp	2,839	1,569	2,656	444	4,000	11%					0%
335 Membership & Dues	200	370	200	225	200	113%					0%
340 Utility Services		168	451	259	450	58%					0%
341 Electric Utility	2,179	2,262	2,294	1,316	2,500	53%					0%
342 Water & Sewer	2,267	2,617	2,525	1,810	2,800	65%					0%
344 Gas Utility	6,144	6,559	4,871	3,780	6,600	57%					0%
345 Phone & Fax	614	536	604	418	650	64%					0%
360 Maintenance & Repair	829	15,370	116	1,031	8,000	13%					0%
366 Building Maintenance & Re	2,739	20,967	8,418		22,000	0%					0%

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380 Training & Certification	1,551	400	1,950			2,250	0%				0%
390 Other Purchased Services	36	1,159	36		36	500	7%				0%
399 Other Contracted Services		253				0	0%				0%
Account:	98,867	137,262	102,805	82,271		141,470	58%	0	0		0%
490500 Other Debt Service Payments											
610 Principal	15,657	14,398	11,353		6,481	15,077	43%				0%
620 Interest	119	288	6,657		2,524	4,923	51%				0%
Account:	15,776	14,686	18,010	9,005		20,000	45%	0	0		0%
510100 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS											
540 Special Assessments	7,898	8,148	8,873	9,203		9,600	96%				0%
Account:	7,898	8,148	8,873	9,203		9,600	96%	0	0		0%
510300 ORDINANCE CODIFICATION/CONSULTANTS											
300 Purchased Services	1,700		1,700	1,785		1,785	100%				0%
Account:	1,700		1,700	1,785		1,785	100%	0	0		0%
510330 Comprehensive Liability Insurance											
510 Insurance	88,578	100,206	103,528	105,439		105,439	100%				0%
519 Deductible Reserve/Small	3,500	4,467	7,548			5,000	0%				0%
Account:	92,078	104,673	111,076	105,439		110,439	95%	0	0		0%
510620 TERMINATION COSTS											
100 Personal Services		20,340		2,907		50,000	6%				0%
170 Employee Incentive Progra						500	0%				0%
Account:		20,340		2,907		50,500	6%	0	0		0%
521000 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT											
820 Transfers to Other Funds	252,082	210,000	564,000	625,000		625,000	100%				0%
Account:	252,082	210,000	564,000	625,000		625,000	100%	0	0		0%
Fund:	3,623,558	3,765,142	4,549,882	3,148,394		5,463,440	58%	0	0		0%
2100 RESORT TAX											
521000 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT											
820 Transfers to Other Funds	374,883	1,385,413	1,091,656	1,416,928		1,416,928	100%				0%
Account:	374,883	1,385,413	1,091,656	1,416,928		1,416,928	100%	0	0		0%
Fund:	374,883	1,385,413	1,091,656	1,416,928		1,416,928	100%	0	0		0%
2310 TAX INCREMENT DISTRICT FUND											
470300 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT											
354 Engineering/Consulting						50,000	0%				0%
930 New Improvements/Misc.	27,279	603,378	183,703			2,000,000	0%				0%

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931	Project Engineering	78,040	79,360		30,376		29,210	30,376	84,000	36%				0%
940	New Machinery & Equipmen	50,000							0	0%				0%
	Account:	155,319	682,738		30,376		212,913	30,376	2,134,000	1%		0		0%
521000	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT													
820	Transfers to Other Funds	100,000					100,000		0	0%				0%
	Account:	100,000					100,000		0 ***%			0		0%
	Fund:	255,319	682,738		30,376		312,913	30,376	2,134,000	1%		0		0%
2311	TEDD-INDUSTRIAL PARK													
470300	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT													
930	New Improvements/Misc.								50,000	0%				0%
931	Project Engineering								25,000	0%				0%
	Account:								75,000	0%		0		0%
	Fund:								75,000	0%		0		0%
2312	TEDD - COLUMBIA RISING IND PARK													
470300	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT													
930	New Improvements/Misc.								355,000	0%				0%
931	Project Engineering								65,000	0%				0%
	Account:								420,000	0%		0		0%
	Fund:								420,000	0%		0		0%
2350	Local Government Review													
410130	Committees and Special Bodies													
220	Operating Supplies								1,000	0%				0%
380	Training & Certification						2,304		0	0%				0%
390	Other Purchased Services						1,851	274	33,662	1%				0%
	Account:						4,155	274	34,662	1%		0		0%
	Fund:													
2372	PERMISSIVE MEDICAL LEVY													
521000	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT													
820	Transfers to Other Funds	258,198	337,809		223,290		342,722	223,290	429,493	52%				0%
	Account:	258,198	337,809		223,290		342,722	223,290	429,493	52%		0		0%
	Fund:	258,198	337,809		223,290		342,722	223,290	429,493	52%		0		0%

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2394 BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT FUND											
420500 PROTECTIVE INSPECTIONS											
210	Office Supplies	32	169	141		300	0%				0%
212	Small Equipment < \$5,000			377	65	1,500	4%				0%
220	Operating Supplies	78	60			200	0%				0%
330	Subscriptions & Books	903				1,200	0%				0%
335	Membership & Dues	145	160	170		170	0%				0%
345	Phone & Fax					500	0%				0%
353	Audit	1,000	1,000	1,200		1,200	0%				0%
355	Data Processing Services					400	0%				0%
380	Training & Certification	442				750	0%				0%
390	Other Purchased Services	44	23	70	5,098	0	***%				0%
398	Bldg Inspection Svcs	60,122	81,199	120,466	45,924	125,000	37%				0%
399	Other Contracted Services	344	483	725	258	800	32%				0%
940	New Machinery & Equipmen	37,500				0	0%				0%
	Account:	100,610	83,094	123,149	51,345	132,020	39%	0		0	0%
420510 Administration											
110	Salaries and Wages	28,713	34,232	33,017	22,098	35,368	62%				0%
120	Overtime	473	641	603	444	765	58%				0%
140	Employer Contributions	5,365	5,969	5,082	3,050	5,586	55%				0%
180	Health Insurance	4,480	10,593	10,032	7,839	12,541	63%				0%
190	Deferred Comp	2,422	1,290	232	510	816	63%				0%
	Account:	41,453	52,725	48,966	33,941	55,076	62%	0		0	0%
510330 Comprehensive Liability Insurance											
510	Insurance	1,120	1,046	1,069	1,011	1,010	100%				0%
	Account:	1,120	1,046	1,069	1,011	1,010	100%	0		0	0%
	Fund:	143,183	136,865	173,184	86,297	188,106	46%	0	0	0	0%
2400 SPECIAL LIGHTING DISTRICT FUND											
430200 ROAD & STREET SERVICES											
240	Repair & Maintenance Supp	1,136	595	1,486		10,000	0%				0%
341	Electric Utility	30,486	30,807	30,561	17,853	36,000	50%				0%
354	Engineering/Consulting					1,500	0%				0%
363	Office Maintenance/Agreen	966	1,062	1,169	1,286	1,300	99%				0%
399	Other Contracted Services	150	2,738			3,000	0%				0%
	Account:	32,738	35,202	33,216	19,139	51,800	37%	0		0	0%
	Fund:	32,738	35,202	33,216	19,139	51,800	37%	0	0	0	0%

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2500 SPECIAL STREET MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FUND										
430200 ROAD & STREET SERVICES										
110 Salaries and Wages	188,635	211,450	232,553	149,289	245,938	61%				0%
120 Overtime	5,962	11,043	4,459	4,471	9,915	45%				0%
140 Employer Contributions	42,647	47,048	50,568	32,317	58,638	55%				0%
180 Health Insurance	60,955	67,258	67,306	50,686	70,961	71%				0%
210 Office Supplies	152	180	141		250	0%				0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000	4,922	4,151	6,580	914	6,500	14%				0%
220 Operating Supplies	16,838	5,742	10,333	6,415	12,000	53%				0%
221 Chemicals	27,753	29,612	32,061	17,835	35,000	51%				0%
226 Clothing/Uniforms	395	568		427	900	47%				0%
231 Gas & Oil	23,563	18,398	12,983	7,714	19,000	41%				0%
232 Vehicle Parts	12,332	18,826	20,999	6,999	20,000	35%				0%
240 Repair & Maintenance Supp	6,447	5,620	5,606	988	7,500	13%				0%
242 Sign Parts and Supplies	3,018	11,082	3,607		5,000	0%				0%
243 Traffic Signal Supplies	1,007	378		432	1,000	43%				0%
318 U-DIG Services	311	271	330	135	400	34%				0%
340 Utility Services	2,280	2,250	2,306	1,415	2,500	57%				0%
341 Electric Utility	1,839	1,624	1,538	1,022	2,000	51%				0%
342 Water & Sewer	1,184	1,172	1,180	614	1,300	47%				0%
344 Gas Utility	3,032	2,053	1,825	884	3,200	28%				0%
345 Phone & Fax	2,632	2,892	2,541	1,359	3,200	42%				0%
355 Data Processing Services	1,127	1,053	1,053	900	1,200	75%				0%
360 Maintenance & Repair		47	8	282	1,000	28%				0%
361 Motor Vehicle M & R	2,020	1,558	10,929	4,079	5,000	82%				0%
363 Office Maintenance/Agreem	966	1,217	1,239	1,286	1,400	92%				0%
366 Building Maintenance & Re	499	160	165	170	3,000	6%				0%
380 Training & Certification	265	259	250	69	600	12%				0%
390 Other Purchased Services	409	364		152	1,500	10%				0%
399 Other Contracted Services	4,728	11,336	1,923	3,865	8,500	45%				0%
452 Gravel and Sand	4,352	2,927	2,778	2,197	4,500	49%				0%
471 Asphalt & Asphalt Filler	6,060	5,267	5,024	3,040	6,000	51%				0%
Account:	426,330	465,806	480,285	299,956	537,902	56%	0	0		0%
430210 Street Administration										
110 Salaries and Wages	37,612	41,037	33,301	29,536	46,122	64%				0%
120 Overtime	134	201	190	117	215	54%				0%
140 Employer Contributions	6,887	7,183	5,117	4,625	7,206	64%				0%
180 Health Insurance	10,402	9,862	6,500	6,762	10,817	63%				0%
190 Deferred Comp	1,536	1,612	542	910	1,525	60%				0%
Account:	56,571	59,895	45,650	41,950	65,885	64%	0	0		0%
Fund:	482,901	525,701	525,935	341,906	603,787	57%	0	0		0%

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2700 CEDAR CREEK TRUST												
470100 Community Public Facility Projects												
930 New Improvements/Misc.												
Account:												
					3,650	7,605	200,000	4%				0%
					3,650	7,605	200,000	4%	0	0		0%
Fund:												
					3,650	7,605	200,000	4%	0	0		0%
2820 GAS TAX FUND												
430200 ROAD & STREET SERVICES												
399 Other Contracted Services												
Account:												
		11,294	221,599			1,375	235,543	1%				0%
		11,294	221,599			1,375	235,543	1%	0	0		0%
521000 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT												
820 Transfers to Other Funds												
Account:												
		23,337	143,491		164,827	180,000	180,000	100%				0%
		23,337	143,491		164,827	180,000	180,000	100%	0	0		0%
Fund:												
		34,631	365,090		164,827	181,375	415,543	44%	0	0		0%
2821 Special Road/Street Allocation Program												
430200 ROAD & STREET SERVICES												
930 New Improvements/Misc.												
Account:												
			135,072				0	0%				0%
			135,072				0	***%				0%
Fund:												
			135,072				0	0%	0	0		0%
2917 CRIME VICTIMS ASSISTANCE FUND												
410360 CITY COURT												
356 Local Crime Victims Progr												
Account:												
		3,320	4,158		5,375	2,707	7,000	39%				0%
		3,320	4,158		5,375	2,707	7,000	39%	0	0		0%
Fund:												
		3,320	4,158		5,375	2,707	7,000	39%	0	0		0%
2940 CDBG-HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM GRANT FUND												
470450 Partnership with NW Montana Land Trust												
850 Home Project Activity Cos												
Account:												
			132,006		34,264		7,627	0%				0%
			132,006		34,264		7,627	0%	0	0		0%
Fund:												
			132,006		34,264		7,627	0%	0	0		0%

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2955 HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY										
420100 LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES										
110 Salaries and Wages				20,134	73,605	27%				0%
120 Overtime				5,381	13,170	41%				0%
121 Overtime - STEP				1,522	11,250	14%				0%
124 PD Training OT				775	0	***%				0%
125 PD Court OT				258	0	***%				0%
140 Employer Contributions				4,174	9,758	43%				0%
190 Deferred Comp				1,883	4,914	38%				0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000				1,775	0	***%				0%
380 Training & Certification					5,625	0%				0%
399 Other Contracted Services				1,500	5,625	27%				0%
Account:				37,402	123,947	30%	0	0		0%
Fund:				37,402	123,947	30%	0	0		0%
2959 EDA										
470300 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT										
354 Engineering/Consulting		4,468	3,906	140	5,000	3%				0%
930 New Improvements/Misc.		12,631		300	201,526	0%				0%
Account:		17,099	3,906	440	206,526	0%	0	0		0%
Fund:		17,099	3,906	440	206,526	0%	0	0		0%
2991 ARPA (State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds) 21.027										
521000 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT										
820 Transfers to Other Funds		210,955	697,607		0	0%				0%
Account:		210,955	697,607		0	***%	0	0		0%
Fund:		210,955	697,607		0	0%	0	0		0%
2995 RAISE Grant										
430230 Road and Street Construction										
930 New Improvements/Misc.		530,980	530,980	236,644	3,743,695	6%				0%
Account:				236,644	3,743,695	6%	0	0		0%
430550 Water Projects										
930 New Improvements/Misc.		285,913	285,913	127,554	2,018,856	6%				0%
Account:				127,554	2,018,856	6%	0	0		0%
Fund:			816,893	364,198	5,762,551	6%	0	0		0%

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3020 GO Street Improvements											
490100 General Obligation Bonds											
610 Principal		40,196				0	0%				0
620 Interest		76				0	0%				0
Account:		40,272				0	***%	0			0
521000 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT											
820 Transfers to Other Funds		9,967				0	0%				0
Account:		9,967				0	***%	0			0
Fund:		50,239				0	0%	0			0
3534 SID 34 FUND - 5th Avenue Water Main											
490300 Special Improvement District											
610 Principal		4,770	4,997	5,234		0	0%				0
620 Interest		713	486	249		0	0%				0
Account:		5,483	5,483	5,483		0	***%	0			0
521000 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT											
820 Transfers to Other Funds				911		0	0%				0
Account:				911		0	***%	0			0
Fund:		5,483	5,483	6,394		0	0%	0			0
3536 SID 36 FUND - Talbott & 4th Avenue Water Main											
490300 Special Improvement District											
610 Principal		2,901	3,047	3,192		0	0%				0
620 Interest		443	296	152		0	0%				0
Account:		3,344	3,343	3,344		0	***%	0			0
521000 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT											
820 Transfers to Other Funds				1,894		0	0%				0
Account:				1,894		0	***%	0			0
Fund:		3,344	3,343	5,238		0	0%	0			0
3538 SID 38 FUND - Riverwood											
490300 Special Improvement District											
610 Principal		17,223	17,001	24,286	8,197	16,394	50%				0
620 Interest		10,172	9,889	8,970	4,068	8,099	50%				0
Account:		27,395	26,890	33,256	12,265	24,493	50%	0			0
Fund:		27,395	26,890	33,256	12,265	24,493	50%	0			0

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4000 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - Building Improvements											
411200 FACILITIES ADMINISTRATION											
930	New Improvements/Misc.	6,025		10,367		20,000	0%				0%
Account:		6,025		10,367		20,000	0%	0	0		0%
430200 ROAD & STREET SERVICES											
930	New Improvements/Misc.	18,210	81,663	9,549		25,000	0%				0%
Account:		18,210	81,663	9,549		25,000	0%	0	0		0%
Fund:		24,235	81,663	19,916		45,000	0%	0	0		0%
4010 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - Parks Improvements											
460400 PARK & RECREATION SERVICES											
360	Maintenance & Repair	7,585				0	0%				0%
930	New Improvements/Misc.	118,106	10,834	727,537	16	225,000	0%				0%
931	Project Engineering			21,190		25,000	0%				0%
940	New Machinery & Equipmen			44,917	1,326	25,000	5%				0%
Account:		125,691	10,834	793,644	1,342	275,000	0%	0	0		0%
460445 SWIMMING POOL											
940	New Machinery & Equipmen			14,373		200,000	7%				0%
Account:				14,373		200,000	7%	0	0		0%
Fund:		125,691	10,834	793,644	15,715	475,000	3%	0	0		0%
4020 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - General Equipment											
410500 DEPT. OF FINANCE											
940	New Machinery & Equipmen	7,500				0	0%				0%
Account:		7,500				0	***%	0	0		0%
420100 LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES											
940	New Machinery & Equipmen	102,866	109,231	87,670	7,318	100,000	7%				0%
Account:		102,866	109,231	87,670	7,318	100,000	7%	0	0		0%
420400 FIRE PROTECTION & CONTROL											
942	Replacement Machinery/Equ		785,000	6,559	50,357	55,000	92%				0%
Account:			785,000	6,559	50,357	55,000	92%	0	0		0%
430200 ROAD & STREET SERVICES											
940	New Machinery & Equipmen	7,947		15,710		0	0%				0%
Account:		7,947		15,710		0	***%	0	0		0%

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460400 PARK & RECREATION SERVICES											
930 New Improvements/Misc.						90,000	0%				0%
940 New Machinery & Equipmen		20,000				0	0%				0%
Account:		20,000				90,000	0%	0	0		0%
Fund:	118,313	914,231	109,939	57,675	245,000	24%	0	0	0	0	0%
4040 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - Street Construction											
430200 ROAD & STREET SERVICES											
399 Other Contracted Services		30,680				150,000	0%				0%
950 City Construction	28,407	678,832				500,000	0%				0%
Account:	28,407	709,512				650,000	0%	0	0		0%
Fund:	28,407	709,512				650,000	0%	0	0	0	0%
5210 WATER ENTERPRISE FUND											
430500 Water Operating											
110 Salaries and Wages	161,049	86,432	145,337	83,905	154,200	54%					0%
120 Overtime	3,504	2,530	2,277	1,578	3,002	53%					0%
140 Employer Contributions	33,933	18,612	31,741	18,868	35,464	53%					0%
180 Health Insurance	47,883	25,157	42,602	29,112	49,192	59%					0%
197 Pension Expense	28,190	-48,769			0	0%					0%
210 Office Supplies	2,142	1,882	2,537	1,080	2,200	49%					0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000	614	1,327	4,295	635	4,000	16%					0%
220 Operating Supplies	2,730	3,257	3,642	1,722	3,500	49%					0%
226 Clothing/Uniforms	130	284	148	748	500	150%					0%
230 Waterline Supplies	65,794	27,161	23,880	34,887	40,000	87%					0%
231 Gas & Oil	5,782	3,495	4,399	2,006	6,000	33%					0%
232 Vehicle Parts	704	921	969	14	2,000	1%					0%
240 Repair & Maintenance Supp	8,740	24,219	21,239	1,616	20,000	8%					0%
310 Postage & Freight	4,342	3,859	4,813	2,848	4,500	63%					0%
318 U-DIG Services	311	271	330	134	400	34%					0%
331 Legal Notices	1,506	283	801	48	1,500	3%					0%
335 Membership & Dues	524	499	388	236	600	39%					0%
340 Utility Services	1,530	1,173	1,145	703	1,400	50%					0%
341 Electric Utility	48,785	54,377	59,269	38,018	58,000	66%					0%
342 Water & Sewer	709	623	603	245	800	31%					0%
344 Gas Utility	927	536	543	261	800	33%					0%
345 Phone & Fax	4,348	4,939	4,402	2,353	5,100	46%					0%
350 Legal Services/Contract	6,996	7,517	8,335	6,568	8,752	75%					0%
353 Audit	2,366	2,700	4,250	4,753	9,388	51%					0%
354 Engineering/Consulting	6,605	2,165	1,270	45,713	160,000	29%					0%
355 Data Processing Services	4,831	5,520	5,140	5,470	6,000	91%					0%
357 Employee Services	314	338	374	298	393	76%					0%
360 Maintenance & Repair	21,310	67,760	18,711	64,422	70,000	92%					0%

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Account Object	22-23	23-24	Actuals	24-25	25-26	Current Budget	Exp. 25-26	%	Prelim. Budget	Budget Changes	Final Budget	% Old Budget
						25-26	25-26		26-27	26-27	26-27	26-27
361 Motor Vehicle M & R	577	937	85	1,583	1,200	132%					0	0%
363 Office Maintenance/Agreen	9,598	10,195	11,131	11,803	12,000	98%					0	0%
366 Building Maintenance & Re	470	460		1,230	1,500	82%					0	0%
380 Training & Certification	2,367	2,456	1,959		3,000	0%					0	0%
390 Other Purchased Services	1,603	5,369	1,820	2,204	3,000	73%					0	0%
391 DEQ Permit	4,394	4,424	4,424	4,372	4,500	97%					0	0%
392 Leak Detection					5,000	0%					0	0%
394 Sampling & Testing	2,664	5,817	3,404	1,120	6,500	17%					0	0%
399 Other Contracted Services	23,659	15,508	32,254	8,231	28,000	29%					0	0%
810 Losses (Bad debt expense)		525	8,127		0	0%					0	0%
930 New Improvements/Misc.			84,266		0	0%					0	0%
934 Replacement/Improvements			540,910		0	0%					0	0%
Account:	511,931	344,759		378,784	712,391	53%			0		0	0%
430560 Administration												
110 Salaries and Wages	64,834	58,197	65,499	52,416	100,966	52%					0	0%
120 Overtime	71	43	36	97	120	81%					0	0%
140 Employer Contributions	12,000	13,250	9,269	7,249	15,246	48%					0	0%
180 Health Insurance	14,965	20,474	13,906	13,099	26,934	49%					0	0%
190 Deferred Comp	5,289	4,300	1,280	2,247	3,735	60%					0	0%
Account:	97,159	96,264	89,990	75,108	147,001	51%			0		0	0%
430570 Water Customer Accounting & Collection												
110 Salaries and Wages	45,428	51,989	55,513	38,932	51,478	76%					0	0%
120 Overtime	545	833	824	536	860	62%					0	0%
140 Employer Contributions	8,079	9,222	9,874	7,094	9,175	77%					0	0%
180 Health Insurance	7,397	10,691	6,361	2,717	4,346	63%					0	0%
190 Deferred Comp	1,361	950	3,076	3,365	4,543	74%					0	0%
Account:	62,810	73,685	75,648	52,644	70,402	75%			0		0	0%
490210 Revenue Bonds, Series 2005												
610 Principal			31,000		0	0%					0	0%
620 Interest	1,879	1,204	529		0	0%					0	0%
Account:	1,879	1,204	31,529		0	***%			0		0	0%
490220 Water Revenue Bonds Series 2020												
610 Principal			29,000	15,000	30,000	50%					0	0%
620 Interest	15,375	14,675	13,975	6,713	13,238	51%					0	0%
Account:	15,375	14,675	42,975	21,713	43,238	50%			0		0	0%
510330 Comprehensive Liability Insurance												
510 Insurance	13,723	14,464	12,647	14,187	14,187	100%					0	0%
Account:	13,723	14,464	12,647	14,187	14,187	100%			0		0	0%
510400 Depreciation												
830 Depreciation - Closed to	213,053	226,519			228,000	0%					0	0%
Account:	213,053	226,519			228,000	0%			0		0	0%
Fund:	915,930	771,570	793,699	542,436	1,215,219	45%			0		0	0%

Account Object	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26	Current Budget 25-26	% Exp. 25-26	Prelim. Budget 26-27	Budget Changes 26-27	Final Budget 26-27	% Old Budget 26-27
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5211 WATER CAPITAL EXPANSION										
521000 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT										
820 Transfers to Other Funds	46,500		400,000			0 0%				0 0%
Account:	46,500		400,000			0 ***%		0		0 0%
Fund:	46,500		400,000			0 0%		0		0 0%
5310 SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND										
430600 Sewer Operating	221,569	239,348	257,958	166,731	272,478	61%				0 0%
110 Salaries and Wages	9,889	7,076	6,716	5,740	7,926	72%				0 0%
120 Overtime	51,569	54,641	59,277	39,327	66,833	59%				0 0%
140 Employer Contributions	40,474	56,031	93,436	69,720	111,552	63%				0 0%
180 Health Insurance	8,898	7,162			2,328	0%				0 0%
190 Deferred Comp	23,587	34,164			0	0%				0 0%
197 Pension Expense	2,344	1,898			2,200	51%				0 0%
210 Office Supplies	1,221	488	8,946	645	12,000	5%				0 0%
212 Small Equipment < \$5,000	7,455	14,342	13,055	5,681	13,000	44%				0 0%
220 Operating Supplies	29,357	19,880	19,880	11,628	26,000	45%				0 0%
221 Chemicals	8,558	8,180	5,094	4,340	7,000	62%				0 0%
222 Lab Supplies	389	447		621	500	124%				0 0%
226 Clothing/Uniforms	12,649	7,610	9,803	3,797	8,000	47%				0 0%
231 Gas & Oil	2,319	1,940	1,380	1,485	7,500	20%				0 0%
232 Vehicle Parts	32,817	21,258	54,689	33,328	40,500	82%				0 0%
240 Repair & Maintenance Supp	4,950	3,950	4,993	3,042	4,500	68%				0 0%
310 Postage & Freight	311	271	330	135	400	34%				0 0%
318 U-DIG Services	907	1,773	810	48	1,000	5%				0 0%
331 Legal Notices	494	499	388	236	600	39%				0 0%
335 Membership & Dues	832	890	953	585	900	65%				0 0%
340 Utility Services	75,884	76,394	80,610	43,663	80,000	55%				0 0%
341 Electric Utility	1,249	1,096	1,195	699	1,500	47%				0 0%
342 Water & Sewer	8,585	6,566	6,119	2,999	6,500	46%				0 0%
344 Gas Utility	4,537	4,707	4,222	3,134	4,500	70%				0 0%
345 Phone & Fax	6,996	7,517	23,335	6,568	8,752	75%				0 0%
350 Legal Services/Contract	2,366	2,700	4,250	4,753	9,388	51%				0 0%
353 Audit	9,720	4,167	13,407	111,350	158,000	70%				0 0%
354 Engineering/Consulting	11,046	11,645	9,276	11,289	15,000	75%				0 0%
355 Data Processing Services	468	499	554	433	581	75%				0 0%
357 Employee Services	9,409	70,944	23,368	21,193	50,000	42%				0 0%
360 Maintenance & Repair	7,924	6,158	6,950	1,630	5,000	33%				0 0%
361 Motor Vehicle M & R	9,598	10,266	11,175	11,803	11,500	103%				0 0%
363 Office Maintenance/Agreen	3,391	2,902	5,227	2,260	8,500	27%				0 0%
366 Building Maintenance & Re	2,453	2,300	6,139	160	3,000	5%				0 0%
380 Training & Certification	879	1,811	1,368	1,812	1,500	121%				0 0%
390 Other Purchased Services	1,500	1,500	1,500		1,500	0%				0 0%
391 DEQ Permit										

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						25-26	25-26	25-26	26-27	26-27	26-27	26-27
394 Sampling & Testing	4,742	4,463		5,044	4,165	6,500	64%					0%
395 Landfill Services	31,039	30,577		34,187	19,827	38,000	52%					0%
399 Other Contracted Services	3,530	9,245		11,647	5,109	9,000	57%					0%
810 Losses (Bad debt expense)		349				0	0%					0%
930 New Improvements/Misc.				3,913,103	610,830	826,089	74%					0%
934 Replacement/Improvements				257,973	57,693	116,395	50%					0%
940 New Machinery & Equipmen						125,000	0%					0%
Account:	655,905	737,654		4,960,959	1,269,574	2,071,422	61%		0		0	0%
430610 Sewer Administration												
110 Salaries and Wages	64,830	67,869		65,494	52,412	100,966	52%					0%
120 Overtime	71	42		35	96	120	80%					0%
140 Employer Contributions	11,999	13,248		9,268	7,248	15,246	48%					0%
180 Health Insurance	14,965	20,469		13,905	13,097	26,934	49%					0%
190 Deferred Comp	5,288	4,300		1,280	2,247	3,735	60%					0%
Account:	97,153	105,928		89,982	75,100	147,001	51%		0		0	0%
430670 Sewer Customer Accounting & Collection												
110 Salaries and Wages	45,363	51,267		54,822	38,931	51,478	76%					0%
120 Overtime	541	827		814	534	860	62%					0%
140 Employer Contributions	8,067	9,099		9,748	7,093	9,175	77%					0%
180 Health Insurance	7,368	10,331		6,221	2,715	4,346	62%					0%
190 Deferred Comp	1,360	949		3,017	3,365	4,543	74%					0%
Account:	62,699	72,473		74,622	52,638	70,402	75%		0		0	0%
490215 Revenue Bonds, Series 2009												
610 Principal				42,000	21,000	42,000	50%					0%
620 Interest	6,694	5,899		5,089	2,224	4,234	53%					0%
Account:	6,694	5,899		47,089	23,224	46,234	50%		0		0	0%
490225 Sewer Revenue Bonds Series 2025												
610 Principal					6,000	14,000	43%					0%
620 Interest					4,181	10,710	39%					0%
Account:					10,181	24,710	41%		0		0	0%
510330 Comprehensive Liability Insurance												
510 Insurance	35,535	39,706		42,663	43,003	43,003	100%					0%
519 Deductible Reserve/Small					1,500	0	***					0%
Account:	35,535	39,706		42,663	44,503	43,003	103%		0		0	0%
510400 Depreciation												
830 Depreciation - Closed to	362,930	359,541				400,000	0%					0%
Account:	362,930	359,541				400,000	0%		0		0	0%
Fund:	1,220,916	1,321,201		5,215,315	1,475,220	2,802,772	53%		0		0	0%

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5311 SEWER CAPITAL EXPANSION												
521531 Transfer to Sewer												
820 Transfers to Other Funds		184,862			101,544		715,065	0%				0%
Account:		184,862			101,544		715,065	0%	0	0		0%
Fund:		184,862			101,544		715,065	0%	0	0		0%
7120 FIRE RELIEF DISABILITY/PENSION FUND												
420400 FIRE PROTECTION & CONTROL												
130 Employee Benefits							50,496	0%				0%
Account:							50,496	0%	0	0		0%
Fund:							50,496	0%	0	0		0%
7196 FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT												
510610 Flexible Spending Account Employee												
185 Flex FSA Reimbursements			18,395		18,374	2,681		***%				0%
Account:			18,395		18,374	2,681		***%	0	0		0%
Fund:			18,395		18,374	2,681		***%	0	0		0%
9000 GENERAL FIXED ASSET GROUP OF ACCOUNTS FUND												
510400 Depreciation												
830 Depreciation - Closed to		802,061	798,017					0%				0%
Account:		802,061	798,017					***%	0	0		0%
Fund:		802,061	798,017					0%	0	0		0%
Grand Total:		10,444,311	12,394,389	16,257,504	7,966,323	23,763,455			0	0		0



COLUMBIA FALLS MONTANA

City Council Agenda Item Summary

Title: Garnier Heights Preliminary Plat Extension Request

Date: February 11, 2026

Staff Contact: Caleb Sobczak

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY: Request for a two-year extension of the conditional approval for the preliminary plat for the Garnier Heights Subdivision per condition 22.

BACKGROUND: Resolution 1851, the conditional approval of the preliminary plat for the Garnier Heights Subdivision, was set to expire July 6th, 2024. It was granted a two-year extension with an expiration of July 6th, 2026.

ANALYSIS: Contact between the developer, engineers and the City regarding this project has been consistent. No active construction has begun but the plans have been submitted to the appropriate agencies for approval. The developer has met the requirements of the City for the granting of an extension. See attached letter from staff.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of this request for preliminary plat extension.

SUGGESTED MOTION: Motion to approve the request for preliminary plat extension of the Garnier Heights Subdivision with an expiration date of July 6th, 2028.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Letter from Jackola Engineering
- Letter from City Planner
- Resolution 1851



130 6TH STREET WEST
ROOM A
COLUMBIA FALLS, MT 59912

Planning Department

PHONE (406) 892-4391

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Item No.9.

February 4, 2026

Columbia Falls City Council
130 6th Street, Rm A
Columbia Falls, MT 59912

Sent via email

RE: Extension request for Garnier Heights.

Dear Mayor and City Council:

Pursuant to 17.12.060(L) of the Columbia Falls Subdivision Regulations, the developer of an approved preliminary plat may request extension of up to two years with the total approval life not to exceed ten years. This request by Jackola Engineering on behalf of the owner, Big Sky Investments CFalls LLC, is the second request for extension. With approval of this extension the plat will have an approval life of seven years when it expires in 2028.

Since the original preliminary plat approval, the owners of the development have completed all the civil engineering for the sewer, water, and stormwater infrastructure. They have secured Public Works approval for the infrastructure as well as MDEQ approvals. They have secured the Floodplain Development Permit and Flathead Conservation District Permit for the stormwater infrastructure along Garnier Creek. There is also a Flathead County Road Department approval for the connection of the interior subdivision roads to North Hilltop. All these approvals constitute a considerable investment of time and money by the owner.

Staff recommend that the Columbia Falls City Council grant a two-year extension to the Garnier Heights preliminary plat so that it now expires on July 6th, 2028.

Sincerely,

Eric H. Mulcahy, City Planner



Date: February 3, 2026

Eric Mulcahy
City of Columbia Falls
130 6th St West
Columbia Falls, MT, 59912

Re: Garnier Heights Subdivision- Preliminary Plat Extension Request

Dear Eric,

This letter is in regard to Resolution No. 1851, the conditional approval of the preliminary plat for the Garnier Heights Subdivision. The original approval was set to expire on July 6th 2024 and was granted a two-year extension with an expiration of July 6th, 2026. Per condition 22, the developer may request an extension 30 days before the preliminary plat expires. On behalf of the owner Big Sky Investments Cfalls, LLC we are requesting a 2-year extension to allow for the subdivision to be completed.

Please consider our extension request and feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Tyler Korb Civil EI
Jackola Engineering & Architecture, PC

RESOLUTION NO. 1851

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA CONDITIONALLY APPROVING THE PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR THE GARNIER HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, DESCRIBED AS PARCEL 1 OF COS 14679 EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE PROPERTY WITHIN THE PLAT KNOWN AS HILLTOP MEADOWS IN SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 20 WEST, P.M.M., FLATHEAD COUNTY, MONTANA.

WHEREAS, RH Joint Holdings, LLC, owner/applicant of the subject property, has applied for preliminary plat approval of The Garnier Heights Subdivision;

WHEREAS, the proposed subdivision plat is subject to the provisions of Title 17 of the Columbia Falls Municipal Code and Title 76 of the Montana Code Annotated;

WHEREAS, the Columbia Falls Planning Department, in Subdivision Report #CPP-21-01, recommended approval of said subdivision plat with certain conditions;

WHEREAS, the request was considered by the Columbia Falls City-County Planning Board in a public hearing at its regularly scheduled meeting on June 15, 2021, at which the Board adopted Staff Report #CPP-21-01 with revisions and recommended approval of the preliminary plat subject to certain conditions as shown on Attachment "A;" and

WHEREAS, the preliminary approval of said subdivision plat was considered by the City Council of the City of Columbia Falls at the regular council meeting on Tuesday, July 6, 2021 after said hearing was advertised according to law' and at which time the Council considered the recommendation of the Planning Board, the report of the Columbia Falls Planning Office, together with any and all comments filed or voiced, and determined that the development of the subdivision meets the requirements of Title 76, Chapter 3 of the Montana Code Annotated and should be approved with certain conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA AS FOLLOWS:

Section One. Findings of Fact. That Subdivision Report #CPP-21-01 of the Columbia Falls Planning Department is adopted by the Council as findings of fact with respect to said Subdivision Plat approval and subject to the conditions set forth on Attachment "A."

Section Two. Zoning. That the zoning classification of said premises shall not be affected by this action.

Section Three. Final Plat. That upon proper review and filing of the final plat of said subdivision in the office of the Flathead County Clerk and Recorder; said premises shall be a subdivision of the City of Columbia Falls.

Section Four. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the City Council.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA THIS 6th DAY OF JULY, 2021, THE COUNCIL VOTING AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Shepard, Fisher, Karper, Lovering, Piper, Robinson and Barnhart

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR OF COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA THIS 6th DAY OF JULY, 2021.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

ATTACHMENT “A”

1. The final plat shall be submitted in substantial compliance with the preliminary plat/PUD plat layouts provided with this application and prepared by WGM Group, dated 4/30/21 and 4/30/21, unless altered by these conditions. In addition to these Conditions of Preliminary Plat, the development is also subject to the Conditions of the PUD; file number CPUD-21-01.
2. All road right-of-ways within the subdivision shall be dedicated to the City of Columbia Falls.
3. The applicants shall provide at final plat, CC&R's that address the open space/park maintenance. A note shall be placed on the face of the plat informing the lot owner of the open space maintenance responsibility through the HOA.
4. The road construction shall meet the requirements of Chapter 17.16 of the City of Columbia Falls Subdivision Regulations and the Columbia Falls Public Works Standards. The construction plan shall be reviewed and approved by the City prior to construction. The road construction shall be certified by a registered engineer that they meet such standards following construction and the roadways shall be accepted by the City prior to Final Plat approval.
5. The applicants shall contact the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) to determine if an application is needed to place the stormwater facilities in the wetland area. The applicant shall provide a copy of the permit or a letter from the ACOE stating a permit is not needed prior to the issuance of Final Plat.
6. The applicants shall secure new “Approach Permits” from the Flathead County Road Department for the access and driveways onto North Hilltop Road and Meadow Lake Boulevard.
7. The Columbia Falls Fire Chief shall approve location of the fire hydrants in writing prior to construction of the project.
8. Due to the steep slopes along the creek channel, staff will request Geotechnical Analysis of the site prior to final plat. Any recommendation in the Geotechnical report shall be incorporated into the subdivision design and or the CC&R's
9. The responsible postmaster shall approve a common mailbox facility at an approved location. The facility shall meet the requirements of 17.18.250. The facility shall be installed prior to final plat or included in an SIA.
10. Developer shall provide a student loading/unloading facility at an approved location as directed by School District 6 or provide a letter from the School District stating that the bus stop is not required.
11. The sewer, water and stormwater facilities shall be reviewed and approved by the Columbia Falls Public Works Director and Montana Department of Environmental Quality. The water, sewer, and stormwater shall be constructed in accordance with the approved plan and the construction shall be certified by a registered engineer that they meet the approved specifications.
12. A note shall be placed on the face of the Final Plat stating: “All dwellings shall have house numbers visible from the internal subdivision road.”
13. The applicants shall provide copies of the final plat drawing and as-built construction drawings for all public infrastructure and utilities existing or constructed in the right-of-way or easements. Copies of drawings shall be in both paper and digital. Digital copies shall be in a format prescribed by the City.
14. All utilities shall be installed underground and stubbed to each lot prior to the paving of the roads.
15. The Flathead County Weed Department shall approve a Weed Management Plan for the Development prior to Final Plat. A note shall be placed on the face of the final plat stating: “Lot owners are subject to the Weed Management Plan approved by the Flathead County Weed Department.”
16. That the parkland requirement shall be met by providing 11.4 acres of land as open space/park as prescribed in the PUD regulations. As there are no active park areas in close proximity of the development, Park area C shall be developed with Playground Equipment and amenities. A comprehensive playground plan, including maintenance, will be presented and approved by the City before final plat.

17. Assessment for taxation and special assessments for lands within the common areas shall be proportionally shared among all lots in the subdivision. The proportion may be equal or based upon the area of the lot in proportion to the total area of all lots. Such assessment shall be reported to Flathead County, billed and collected with other tax and assessment due each lot.
18. Plat notes shall be added to the face of the plat delineating that the parks and common area are dedicated in perpetuity and that said space(s) will be owned and maintained by the Homeowners Association. Changes to the use and/or management of the common space or parks shall be approved by the Homeowners Association and the City.
19. The following notes indicating the PUD deviations shall be placed on the face of the final plat:
 - a. A reduced front yard setback from 25-feet to 20-feet just for the lots served by the alleyway (Lots 1A – 8D and Lots 37A – 46B) side, side corner, and rear setbacks will remain the same. All other lots shall have setbacks standard setbacks of 25-foot; 5-feet side; 15-feet side corner; and 20-feet rear yard.
 - b. Minimum Lots sizes shall conform to the PUD and Preliminary Plat Map presented with this application 4/30/21 and 4/30/21.
 - c. Maximum Lot coverage will be considered the building envelopes/setbacks
20. All improvements to the public right-of-way shall be complete or guaranteed through a SIA prior to final plat approval. The Developer shall warranty all infrastructure improvements for a minimum of one (1) year after approval of the final plat.
21. The applicant shall provide a letter from the applicable Solid Waste Contractor stating that Solid Waste Service is available to the Subdivision. The CC&R's will encourage use of a Solid Waste contractor for residences in the subdivision.
22. The preliminary plat shall expire three (3) years after the approved effective date stipulated by the City Council. Extensions may be granted by the City Council if the applicant requests extension 30-days prior to the expiration of the plat or any remaining phase.
23. Plat notes shall be added to the face of the plat stating that all Solid Waste is to be stored indoors or enclosed except on refuse collection day.
24. The applicants shall request the Montana Department of Transportation to consider signalizations and timing movements at the intersection at Hwy 2 and Meadow Lake Boulevard and the intersection at Hwy 2 and North Hilltop.
25. At the City's discretion, cash in lieu of installing a sidewalk can be explored along Lots 47 – 52 adjacent to North Hilltop provided a trail connection into the subdivision is provided prior to final plat.



City Manager's Report

City Calendar

12 Feb: Planning Commission

- MLUPA Workshop – Data Collection, Research, and Analysis Phase.
- LUP Existing Conditions
- Subdivision and Zoning Regulations
- Short-Term Rentals

17 Feb (Tues): City Council Regular Mtg

- Mid-Year Budget Update

18 Feb: Open House: Gateway to Glacier Safety & Mobility

18 Feb: Local Govt Study Commission

2 Mar: City Council Regular Mtg

- Review LUP Existing Conditions
- Short-Term Rentals

12 Mar: Planning Commission

- Future Land Use Map
- Subdivision and Zoning Regulations

16 Mar: City Council Regular Mtg

Mar: Open House: Utility Infrastructure Future Conditions

6 Apr: City Council Regular Mtg

- Future Land Use Map
- Subdivision and Zoning Regulations

Apr: Virtual Open House: MLUPA

9 Apr (TBD): Planning Commission

- Teakettle Heights Application

20 Apr: City Council Regular Mtg

23 Apr: Planning Commission

- MLUPA Public Hearing



New City Website

Staff Highlights

City Manager

- Utility Infrastructure PERs
- Land Use Plan
- Developer Applications
- **Website Transition – Wk of Feb 16th**
- IT Strategy and Framework

Finance & Admin

- Resort Tax and Short-Term Rental Policy

Fire

- Now Hiring

Police

- Now Hiring
- Technology Upgrade

Public Works & Planning

- Gateway to Glacier Safety & Mobility Project
- Downtown Sidewalk and Parking Project
- River's Edge Park Projects
- Pool Modernization Project
- GIS Map Analysis – Short Term Rental Use, and Utility Infrastructure

City Manager Report

- **MT Executive Forum (Mayors, CMs)**
 - Mar 4-6 – Livingston
- **Land Use Plan Development –**
 - **Water PER** – Ongoing
 - **Sewer PER** – Ongoing
 - **Land Use Planning** – FLUM and Draft Recommendations
 - **Subdivision & Zoning Codes** - Ongoing coordination
 - **Future Land Use Map**
 - **Short Term Rental Policy Framework**

Capital Improvement Projects: *City Staff is available to discuss current project details with the public*

- **Gateway to Glacier Safety & Mobility Project** (www.columbiafallsgatewaytoglacier.com)
 - **Open House–Feb 18**; Construction Mar 2026
- **Downtown Sidewalk and Parking**
 - Construction in Spring 2026
- **Railroad St Pathway Project (MDT-led)**
 - Staff reviewed plans; Jan 29
 - Construction Spring 2026
- **River's Edge Projects**
 - **Fishing Pier:** Construction Spring 2026
 - **Sign Project:** Construction Spring 2026
- **Pinewood Aquatic Center Modernization**
 - **Boiler:** Spring 2026
 - **Wading Pool Features:** Spring 2026
 - **Pool House Improvements:** Spring 2026

MLUPA Plan of Action & Milestones

Public Engagement Opportunities

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✓ Nov 13	Joint Council & Planning Commission Land Use Plan Kickoff
✓ Nov 20	Open House - Utility Infrastructure Public Meeting 1
✓ Dec-Feb	Land Use Plan Outreach Round 1
✓ Dec 11	Planning Commission – Utility Infrastructure
✓ Dec 15	City Council – Utility Infrastructure
✓ Jan 8	Planning Commission – Utility Infrastructure
✓ Jan 26	Joint Council & Planning Commission Workshop - LUP Existing Conditions & Survey Results
✓ Feb 12	Planning Commission (<i>LUP workshop</i>) - Discuss LUP Existing Conditions & Survey Results - Subdivision & Zoning Regulations - Short Term Rentals
Mar 12	Planning Commission (<i>LUP workshop</i>) - Future Land Use Map & Recommendations Workshop
Mar __	Open House - Utility Infrastructure Public Meeting 2
Apr __	Virtual Public Meeting – Outreach Round 2
Apr 6	City Council Regular Mtg - Future Land Use Map and Subdivision & Zoning
Apr 9	Planning Commission
Apr 13	Joint Council and Planning Commission Workshop
Apr 23	MLUPA Public Hearing Planning Commission
May 4	MLUPA Public Hearing Council – First Reading
May 18	MLUPA Public Hearing Council – Approves Plan



Columbia Falls Gateway to Glacier Safety and Mobility Improvement Project Schedule



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Columbia Falls Fire Department
2026 Runs

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	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total	2026
calls	31												31	
Weeks	9												9	29.03%
Peterson	15												15	48.39%
Smith, R.	17												17	54.84%
Thomas	12												12	38.71%
Ross	4												4	12.90%
Loughery	6												6	19.35%
Smith, K.	18												18	58.06%
Arnold	5												5	16.13%
Perkins	2												2	6.45%
Willcut	10												10	32.26%
Woodruff	8												8	25.81%
Stuhler	3												3	9.68%
Grogan	28												28	90.32%
Shanks	7												7	22.58%
Bates	2												2	6.45%
Schrader	7												7	22.58%
Dickerson	1												1	3.23%
Butts	7												7	22.58%
Hogan	23												23	74.19%
Messer	6												6	19.35%
Vessels	0												0	0.00%
Kienas	16												16	51.61%
Johnson	21												21	67.74%
Jost	8												8	25.81%
Thorsteinson	4												4	12.90%
Weber	1												1	3.23%
Mainolfi	0												0	0.00%
Ruben	6												6	19.35%
Swartzenberger	3												3	9.68%
Inabnit	7												7	22.58%
Thomas, J	1												1	3.23%
Styler	0												0	0.00%
Johnson, N	5												5	16.13%
Buchanan													0	0.00%
			#1 Month		#2 Month		2026 #1					Average	8	24.86%
	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD 2026	
Total calls	31												31	
Rural	20												20	64.52%
City	11												11	35.48%
Mutual Aid Received	0												0	0.00%
Mutual Aid Given	2												2	6.45%
Medical & MVA	17												17	54.84%

Columbia Falls Fire Department Incident Breakdown

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2026	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD	2026
Dispatches	31												31	Dispatches
ALS Medical Total	1												1	ALS Medical Total
BLS Medical Total	16												16	BLS Medical Total
Medical CPR	0												0	Medical CPR
Medical ALS	1												1	Medical ALS
Medical BLS	8												8	Medical BLS
Medical Lift Assist	0												0	Medical Lift Assist
MVA with injury	2												2	MVA with injury
Extrication	1												1	Extrication
Ambulance Driver	0												0	Ambulance Driver
MVA non injury	5												5	MVA non injury
Airport Emergency	0												0	Airport Emergency
Traffic Control	0												0	Traffic Control
HazMat	0												0	HazMat
Hazardous Conditions	1												1	Hazardous Conditions
CO	1												1	CO
Gas Leak/Odor inside	0												0	Gas Leak/Odor inside
Gas Leak/Odor outside	0												0	Gas Leak/Odor outside
Powerline	0												0	Powerline
Other	0												0	Other
Service	0												0	Service
Good Intent	4												4	Good Intent
Fire Alarm	1												1	Fire Alarm
False Alarm	2												2	False Alarm
Illegal burn	0												0	Illegal burn
Smoke Investigation, outside	0												0	Smoke Investigation, outside
Smoke Investigation, inside	0												0	Smoke Investigation, inside
Cancelled enroute	3												3	Cancelled enroute
Fire, residential	1												1	Fire, residential
Fire, chimney	0												0	Fire, chimney
Fire, commercial	0												0	Fire, commercial
Fire, vehicle	1												1	Fire, vehicle
Fire, vegetation, grass	0												0	Fire, vegetation, grass
Fire, vegetation, wildland	0												0	Fire, vegetation, wildland
Dispatch Totals	31												31	Dispatch Totals
Structure fires (In District)	0												0	Structure fires
Structure fires (Mutual aid)	1												1	
Acres burned	0												0	Acres burned

Columbia Falls Fire Department January 2026 Inspections

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**Columbia Falls Police Department
Monthly Activity Report
January 2026**

Police	January					5-Year Average	Year to Date
	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022		
Calls for Service	814	867	839	718	688	785	814
Case Reports	41	62	36	32	30	40	41
Arrests (Total)	28	44	25	24	13	27	28
Adult	24	33	22	18	10	21	24
Juvenile	4	11	3	6	3	5	4
Misdemeanor Arrests	21	-	-	-	-	21	21
Misdemeanor Warrants Served	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Felony Arrests	7	-	-	-	-	7	7
Felony Warrants Served	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
PFMA/Domestic Violence Arrests	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Accidents Investigated	16	17	25	10	16	17	16
Injury Accidents	6	-	-	-	-	6	6
Stolen Property (Value)	4476	42381	6367	5566	7541	13266	4,476
Stolen Property (Recovered)	12000	0	4462	236	27511	8842	12,000
Criminal Mischief (Incidents)	0	2	3	5	8	4	0
Damage Amount	0	50	1	1600	3301	990	0
Traffic Stops	208	288	138	138	104	175	208
Misdemeanor Citations Issued	65	179	109	65	66	97	65
Traffic Offenses	53	165	90	53	57	84	53
Cell Phone Viol.	0	6	6	1	0	3	0
DUI Offenses	11	12	4	3	1	6	11
Felony DUIs	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
Drug Offenses	3	6	0	0	2	2	3
Court Fines and Forfeitures	17853	19883	17535	10042	12686	15600	17,583
Miles patrolled	6779	8039	5293	6260	7344	6743	6,779
911 Phone Calls	232	198	248	121	99	180	232
Disturbances/Disorderly	17	17	21	27	22	21	17
Felony Calls Investigated	9	6	4	6	9	7	9
Business Checks	96	75	103	68	54	79	96
Welfare Checks	9	6	15	10	11	10	9
Citizen Assists	58	41	40	47	58	49	58
Agency Assists	25	31	18	43	35	30	25