UPDATES CONCERNING PROCESS OF MEETINGS

Due to the COVID-19 health concerns, the format of the City Commission meeting will be held in a virtual video-conferencing environment. In order to honor the Right of Participation and the Right to Know (Article II, Sections 8 and 9 of the Montana Constitution), the City of Great Falls and City Commission are making every effort to meet the requirements of open meeting laws:

- City Commission members and City staff will attend the meeting via a remote location, using a virtual meeting method.
- The agenda packet material is available on the City’s website: https://greatfallsmt.net/meetings. The Public may view and listen to the meeting on government access channel City-190, cable channel 190; or online at https://greatfallsmt.net/livestream.
- Public comment will be taken during the meeting as indicated on the agenda with an asterisk. Public participation is welcome in the following ways:
  - **Attend in person.** Refrain from attending in person if you are not feeling well. The City will require social distancing at the meeting, and may limit the number of persons in the Gibson Room according to applicable health guidelines.
  - **Provide public comments via email.** Comments may be sent via email before 5:00 PM on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, to commission@greatfallsmt.net. Include the agenda item or agenda item number in the subject line, and include the name and address of the commenter. Written communication received by that time will be shared with the City Commission and appropriate City staff for consideration during the agenda item and before final vote on the matter; and, will be so noted in the official record of the meeting.
  - **Call-in.** The public may call in during specific public comment periods at 406-761-4786. All callers will be in a queued system and are asked to remain on hold and be patient. Calls will be taken in the order in which they are received. Callers will be restricted to customary time limits. This is a pilot service to test the feasibility of expanded public participation by phone. We ask for your patience in the event there are technical difficulties.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL / STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

AGENDA APPROVAL

CONFLICT DISCLOSURE / EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS/NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS/BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
(Public comment on any matter that is not on the agenda of the meeting and that is within the jurisdiction of the City Commission. Please keep your remarks to a maximum of 3 minutes. When at the podium, state your name and address for the record.)

1. Miscellaneous reports and announcements.

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2. Appointments to the Park and Recreation Board.

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CITY MANAGER

3. Miscellaneous reports and announcements from City Manager.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda is made up of routine day-to-day items that require Commission action. Items may be pulled from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion/vote by any Commissioner.


5. Minutes, March 23, 2020, Special City Commission Meeting.

6. Total Expenditures of $2,971,535 for the period of February 29, 2020 through March 25, 2020, to include claims over $5000, in the amount of $2,620,527.

7. Contracts List.

8. Approve Final Payment for the Dewatering Pump Replacement project to MJD Contracting in the amount of $4,849.73, and $48.99 to the State Miscellaneous Tax Fund and authorize the City Manager to make the payments.

9. Approve Final Payment for the Public Works Facilities Repairs on Central Garage, Streets and Sanitation Buildings including Siding and Windows to James Talcott Construction, Inc. in the amount of $41,039.39, and $414.54 to the State Miscellaneous Tax Fund and authorize the City Manager to make the payments.

10. Approve Final Payment for the Great Falls Public Library Air Handler Replacement in the amount of $15,472.21 to McKinstry Essention, LLC and $156.29 to the State Miscellaneous Tax Fund and authorize the City Manager to make the payments.
11. Set a public hearing for April 21, 2020 to consider a lease agreement of City owned property located in Grande Vista Park with the Westside Little League Association.

12. Set a public hearing for April 21, 2020 to consider a lease agreement of City owned property located at 38th Street North and 10th Ave with the Americans Little League Association.

13. Set a public hearing for April 21, 2020 to consider a lease agreement of City owned property located in Sacajawea Park and Riverside Little League Park with the Riverside Little League Association.

14. Approve the minor subdivision of the First Supplement to Hillside Tract as legally described in the Staff Report, and the accompanying Findings of Fact, subject to the Conditions of Approval being fulfilled by the applicant.

15. Approve the submission of an application for an Assistance to Firefighters Grant to assist in the purchase of a new fire ladder truck.

16. Approve the submission of an application for an Assistance to Firefighters Grant to assist in the purchase of safety and decontamination equipment to remove diesel exhaust from all of the fire station bays and products of combustion for firefighting equipment.

17. Postpone consideration of the pending motion on Resolution 10333, regarding the adoption of an Energy Response Task Force indefinitely.

Action: Approve Consent Agenda as presented or remove items for separate discussion and/or vote by any Commission member.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

18. Ordinance 3211, Amending Title 17 of the Official Code of the City of Great Falls (OCCGF): Reserving Chapters 41 through 43; and, repealing and replacing Chapter 44 Pertaining to Landscaping. Action: Conduct a public hearing and adopt or deny Ord. 3211. (Presented by Craig Raymond)

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19. Ordinance 3212, Amending Title 17 of the Official Code of the City of Great Falls (OCCGF): Repealing Appendix B Pertaining to the List of Required Trees for Boulevard Areas and Street Medians. *Action: Conduct a public hearing and adopt or deny Ord. 3212. (Presented by Craig Raymond)*

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20. C.M. Russell Museum property rezone and vacation of the right of way of 5th Avenue North between 12th Street North and 13th Street North.

A. Ordinance 3214, Rezoning the properties legally described as the South 85’ of Lot 8, Block 180 and Lots 8-14, Block 179 of the Great Falls Water Power and Townsite Company’s First Addition from Single-family High Density and Neighborhood Commercial to Public Lands and Institutional. *Action: Conduct a joint public hearing and adopt or deny Ord 3214. (Presented by Craig Raymond)*

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B. Resolution 10340, Vacating 5th Avenue North between 12th Street North and 13th Street North; and a Non-Administrative Plat to aggregate several of the properties. *Action: Adopt or deny Res. 10340.*

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**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS**

**CITY COMMISSION**
21. Miscellaneous reports and announcements from the City Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

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