



**AGENDA  
CITY OF LAUREL  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2024  
6:30 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**WELCOME . . .** By your presence in the City Council Chambers, you are participating in the process of representative government. To encourage that participation, the City Council has specified times for citizen comments on its agenda -- once following the Consent Agenda, at which time citizens may address the Council concerning any brief community announcement not to exceed one minute in duration for any speaker; and again following Items Removed from the Consent Agenda, at which time citizens may address the Council on any matter of City business that is not on tonight's agenda. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes, unless the time limit is extended by the Mayor with the consent of the Council. Citizens may also comment on any item removed from the consent agenda prior to council action, with each speaker limited to three minutes, unless the time limit is extended by the Mayor with the consent of the Council. If a citizen would like to comment on an agenda item, we ask that you wait until the agenda item is presented to the Council by the Mayor and the public is asked to comment by the Mayor.

Any person who has any question concerning any agenda item may call the City Clerk-Treasurer's office to make an inquiry concerning the nature of the item described on the agenda. Your City government welcomes your interest and hopes you will attend the Laurel City Council meetings often.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call of the Council**

**Approval of Minutes**

1. Approval of Minutes of December 10, 2024.
2. Approval of Minutes of December 17, 2024.

**Correspondence**

**Council Disclosure of Ex Parte Communications**

**Public Hearing**

**Consent Items**

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

*The Consent Calendar adopting the printed Recommended Council Action will be enacted with one vote. **The Mayor will first ask the Council members if any Council member wishes to remove any item from the Consent Calendar for discussion and consideration.** The matters removed from the Consent Calendar will be considered individually at the end of this Agenda under "Items Removed from the Consent Calendar." (See Section 12.) The entire Consent Calendar, with the exception of items removed to be discussed under "Items Removed from the Consent Calendar," is then voted upon by roll call under one motion.*

3. Claims entered through December 20, 2024.
4. Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for November 2024.
5. Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 11/24/2024 totaling \$237,386.34.
6. Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 12/8/2024 totaling \$299,645.93.
7. Council Workshop Minutes of December 17, 2024.

**Ceremonial Calendar**

**Reports of Boards and Commissions**

8. Budget/Finance Committee Minutes December 10, 2024.
9. Public Works Committee Minutes of November 18, 2024
10. Public Works Committee Minutes of December 16, 2024.
11. Park Board Minutes of December 5, 2024.

### **Audience Participation (Three-Minute Limit)**

*Citizens may address the Council regarding any item of City business that is not on tonight's agenda. Comments regarding tonight's agenda items will be accepted under Scheduled Matters. The duration for an individual speaking under Audience Participation is limited to three minutes. While all comments are welcome, the Council will not take action on any item not on the agenda.*

### **Scheduled Matters**

12. Appointment of Daniel Klein to the Laurel Urban Renewal Agency for a four-year term ending December 31, 2028.
13. Appointment of Cami Story to the Laurel Urban Renewal Agency for a four-year term ending December 31, 2028.
14. Appointment of Dianne Lehm to the Laurel Urban Renewal Agency - Advisory for a four-year term ending December 31, 2028.
15. Appointment of Richard Klose to Park Board for a four-year term ending December 31, 2028.
16. Appointment of Tom Canape to the Park Board for a four-year term ending December 31, 2028.
17. Appointment of Phyllis Bromgard to the Park Board for a four-year term ending December 31, 2028.
18. Appointment of Casey Wheeler to the Board of Health for a three-year term ending December 31, 2027.
19. Appointment of Irv Wilke to the Police Commission for the remainder of a three-year term ending April 30, 2025.
20. Appointment of Dan Gatley to the Police Commission for the remainder of a three-year term ending April 30, 2026.
21. Resolution No. R24-99: A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The City Of Laurel And The Laurel Urban Renewal Agency (LURA) To Negotiate A Contract With Triple Tree Engineering To Act As The Engineer For The TIF District.
22. Resolution No. R24-100: Resolution Of The City Council To Approve The Proposed Increase In The Rates And Charges For The Users Of The Municipal Water And Sanitary Sewer Rates And Charges To Become Effective On January 10, 2025.

### **Items Removed From the Consent Agenda**

#### **Community Announcements (One-Minute Limit)**

*This portion of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for citizens to address the Council regarding community announcements. The duration for an individual speaking under Community Announcements is limited to one minute. While all comments are welcome, the Council will not take action on any item not on the agenda.*

#### **Council Discussion**

*Council members may give the City Council a brief report regarding committees or groups in which they are involved.*

#### **Mayor Updates**

#### **Unscheduled Matters**

#### **Adjournment**

*The City makes reasonable accommodations for any known disability that may interfere with a person's ability to participate in this meeting. Persons needing accommodation must notify the City Clerk's Office to make needed arrangements. To make your request known, please call 406-628-7431, Ext. 2, or write to City Clerk, PO Box 10, Laurel, MT 59044, or present your request at City Hall, 115 West First Street, Laurel, Montana.*