

**MINUTES
CITY OF LAUREL
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2025**

A Council Workshop was held in Council Chambers and called to order by Mayor Dave Waggoner at 6:30 p.m. on November 18, 2025.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tom Canape	<input type="checkbox"/> Heidi Sparks
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michelle Mize	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jessica Banks
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Casey Wheeler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Irv Wilke
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Klose	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jodi Mackay

OTHERS PRESENT:

Brittney Harakal, Administrative Assistant
Kurt Markegard, CAO
Michele Braukmann, Civil Attorney

Public Input:

There were none.

General Items

1. Appointment of Shane Lacasse to the Emergency Services Committee.

No discussion on the item.

Executive Review

2. **Transit:** Resolution - Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Sign A Memorandum Of Understanding For Operation And Cost Sharing For Public Transportation Services With Allies In Aging.

The changes to the MOU concern the buses the City has recently received. It is updating which buses will be used.

Tyler Amundson from Allies in Aging gave a brief overview of the services they offer. The County collects three mills that support seniors. See the attached handout for offered services. He also noted on the front cover of this issue of Prime Connections is Mary Sickel, who has cooked in Laurel for the last 30 years.

It was noted that seniors could get help for minor home repairs. It was questioned whether repairing a running toilet would be considered a minor home repair. It was clarified that this would most likely be considered a minor home repair, but that the senior would need to contact

Allies in Aging for help. If they are unable to help financially, they may also be able to help connect a senior to a reliable handyman.

It was noted that, due to demand, the bus now runs to Billings every Tuesday.

3. **Public Works:** Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Independent Contractor Service Contract With Prorover.

This contract is to remove a giant cottonwood tree located in Riverside Park. It is leaning towards a building. The tree will be cut into pieces, and residents will be allowed to pick up the wood for personal use.

4. **Ambulance:** Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Declaring Certain City Of Laurel Property As "Surplus" Available For Sale Or Trade To The Public Or Other Governmental Entities Or Vendors.

Council questioned whether the new ambulance is ready to go. It was clarified that we have the vehicle; it is not quite ready yet, but it will be very soon.

Council Issues

Other Items

There will be a resolution added to next week's meeting stating that the proceeds from the sale of the fire truck and trailer will be used toward the ambulance.

It was questioned who owns the property being sold. It was clarified that the City owns the property. It was further clarified that the trailer was not declared surplus, as the Water Department intends to purchase it. There will be a resolution before Council allowing the purchase to proceed.

Attendance at Upcoming Council Meeting

All Council Members present will be in attendance at next week's meeting.

Announcements

Jersey Mike's is having their grand opening this Wednesday. Part of the grand opening is a fundraiser for the new ambulance. With a minimum donation of 3 dollars, you receive a free sandwich.

The council workshop adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Brittney Harakal
Administrative Assistant

NOTE: This meeting is open to the public. This meeting is for information and discussion of the Council for the listed workshop agenda items.