



**AGENDA
CITY OF LAUREL
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2026
6:30 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Public Input: *Citizens may address the Council regarding any item of City business that is not on tonight's agenda. The duration for an individual speaking under Public Input is limited to three minutes. While all comments are welcome, the Council will not take action on any item not on the agenda. Because of the Rules that govern public meetings, Council is not permitted to speak in response to any issue raised that is a non-Agenda item. The Mayor may provide factual information in response, with the intention that the matter may be addressed at a later meeting. In addition, City Council may request that a particular non-Agenda item be placed on an upcoming Agenda, for consideration. Citizens should not construe Council's "silence" on an issue as an opinion, one way or the other, regarding that non-Agenda matter. Council simply cannot debate an item that is not on the Agenda, and therefore, they must simply listen to the feedback given during public input. If a citizen would like to speak or comment regarding an item that is on tonight's agenda, 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.*

Be advised, if a discussion item has an upcoming public hearing, we would request members of the public to reserve your comments until the public hearing. At the public hearing, the City Council will establish an official record that will include all of your comments, testimony, and written evidence.

General Items

1. Public Works Committee Appointment (One Vacancy)
2. Laurel Airport Authority Appointment (One Vacancy)
3. Cemetery Commission Appointments (Three Vacancies)
4. Laurel Urban Renewal Agency - Advisory (Two Vacancies)
5. Library Board Appointment (One Vacancy)
6. Police Commission Appointment (One Vacancy)
7. City/Council Planning Board Appointment (One Vacancy)

Executive Review

8. **Planning:** Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Approving A Conditional Use Permit For Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Based Upon The Recommendation Of The Laurel Zoning Commission.
9. **Public Works:** Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute The Task Order And All Related Documents For The On-Call Engineering By And Between The City Of Laurel And Morrison-Maierle
10. **Fire:** Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement For Provision Of Fire Services For The Laurel Airport Authority.
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- 15. Fire:** Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement For Provision Of Fire Services For The Rural Fire District 7.
- 16. Public Works:** Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Independent Contractor Service Contract With Avanced Pump & Equipment, Inc.

Council Issues

Other Items

Attendance at Upcoming Council Meeting

Announcements

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. 5100, or write to City Clerk, PO Box 10, Laurel, MT 59044, or present your request at City Hall, 115 West First Street, Laurel, Montana.

File Attachments for Item:

2. Laurel Airport Authority Appointment (One Vacancy)

Douglas J Myers
1915 Waterwood Drive
Laurel, MT 59044
406-633-5299

myerdouj1956@outlook.com

Laurel City Hall
Office of the Mayor
115 West 1st Street
Laurel, MT 59044

Subject: Reappointment Request – Doug Myers (current LAA Board member)

04/17/2026

Folks,

My current term of service expires this June 30, 2026.

I would like to continue serving on the board and therefore request that you reappoint me.

I would appreciate your consideration.

Let me know if you need any additional information from me.

Thank you for your time and help.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Doug Myers', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Douglas J Myers

File Attachments for Item:

3. Cemetery Commission Appointments (Three Vacancies)

Reappoint to Cemetery Board.

From Ward 1B <ward1b@laurel.mt.gov>

Date Wed 5/13/2026 12:31 PM

To City Mayor <citymayor@laurel.mt.gov>; Brittney Harakal <bharakal@laurel.mt.gov>; Kelly Strecker <kstrecker@laurel.mt.gov>

Dear Mayor Dave,

I would like to thank you for allowing me to serve on the City of Laurel Cemetery Commission. Please consider me for reappointment to the Laurel Cemetery Commission for another term.

Sincerely,
CC President Canape.

April 21, 2026

Dear Mayor Wagner

I, Wallace Hall, is interested
in being reappointed to the Cemetery
board for the City of Laurel.

I have been honored to serve
on the Cemetery Board.

Wallace E. Hall

File Attachments for Item:

5. Library Board Appointment (One Vacancy)

Kate Manley
1018 Seventh Ave
Laurel, MT 59044
406-839-7866

To Whom It May Concern:

I received your letter, and I am interested in serving another term on the Laurel Public Library board.

Thank you for the opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kate Manley". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Kate Manley

File Attachments for Item:

7. City/Council Planning Board Appointment (One Vacancy)

Brittney Harakal

From: Ward 4B
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2026 3:31 PM
To: City Mayor; Brittney Harakal
Subject: Reference my position on the Laurel City/County planning board. I would like to be reappointed to that board. I believe it to be a honor to serve on that board. C C Richard A Klose SR.

File Attachments for Item:

8. Planning: Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Approving A Conditional Use Permit For Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Based Upon The Recommendation Of The Laurel Zoning Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. R26-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR LOVE’S TRAVEL STOPS & COUNTRY STORES, BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE LAUREL ZONING COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the City of Laurel has adopted zoning regulations pursuant to §76-2-301, et seq., MCA, establishing standards for land use, building, and development within the City;

WHEREAS, Love’s Travel Stops & Country Stores, through its authorized agent, submitted an application for a Conditional Use Permit for recreational vehicle parking in the Highway Commercial (HC) zoning district, located in Westbrook Subdivision, Lot 7A1, Amended Tract 6A and 7A and a portion of Tract 5 less Highway right-of-way in Section 17, Township 02 South, Range 24 East, P.M.M., City of Laurel, Yellowstone County, Montana;

WHEREAS, the Laurel Zoning Commission held its duly noticed public hearing on May 20, 2026, reviewed the application, supporting documentation, and public comment, and adopted findings of fact in accordance with the Standard of Review established by the City Council;

WHEREAS, the Laurel Zoning Commission, on a unanimous vote, found that the application and supporting documentation meet or exceed the Standard of Review and recommended approval of the Conditional Use Permit for Love’s Travel Stops & Country Stores; and

WHEREAS, the City Council considered this matter by way of public hearing on the 23rd day of June 2026 at 6:30 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the Zoning Commission’s recommendation, findings of fact, and supporting documentation, and determined that the application meets the requirements of the Laurel Zoning Regulations, including consistency with the Growth Policy, compatibility with surrounding uses, minimization of adverse impacts, protection of public health and safety, and compliance with applicable codes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, as follows:

1. The Conditional Use Permit application of Love’s Travel Stops & Country Stores for recreational vehicle parking in the Highway Commercial zoning district is hereby APPROVED.
2. This approval is subject to compliance with all applicable provisions of the Laurel Municipal Code, zoning regulations, and the following conditions

deemed necessary by the City to preserve public health, safety, and welfare as follows.

- a. That the development of the RV Park shall be in accordance with the plans, specifications, and design documents submitted for review except as modified by these conditions.
- b. That a Revised Preliminary Plat showing the details of the RV Park layout, spaces, amenities, utilities, and support buildings shall be filed with the Yellowstone County Clerk and Recorder.
- c. That the provision of water, sanitary sewer, stormwater, solid waste, and fire flow shall be reviewed and approved by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality.
- d. That the proposed RV Park shall be licensed by the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services prior to opening.
- e. That an approach permit to 19th Avenue West shall be issued for the proposed RV Park by the Montana Department of Transportation.
- f. That the Conditional Use Permit is for the construction of a 24 Unit Recreational vehicle Park within the Laurel Highway Commercial Zoning District.
- g. That all public and private infrastructure, including landscaping shall be installed prior to the opening of the RV Park to the public.
- h. That the Conditional Use Permit is valid for three years from the date of issuance to facilitate construction of the facility. If completed within the time specified, the permit shall run with the land as provided in the Laurel Municipal Code.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of June 2026, by Council Member .

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel the 23rd day of June 2026.

APPROVED by the Mayor the 23rd day of June 2026.

CITY OF LAUREL

Tom Canape, Acting Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ryan C. Addis, Civil City Attorney

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City Of Laurel

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Office of the City Planner

**PLANNING BOARD RECOMMENDATION
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REPORT CUP-26-01
Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores
RV Park – Highway Commercial District
May 21, 2026**

BACKGROUND:

The City of Laurel has had zoning since the early 1970's as authorized by §76-2-301 et. seq MCA. These regulations set minimum and maximum standards for all lands located within the jurisdiction of the City of Laurel. These regulations establish standards for the height, bulk, and location of structures as well as the intended use of the property.

The subject property was recently annexed into the City of Laurel and was assigned the initial zoning of Highway Commercial (HC).

The application materials address several other points that outline the anticipated benefits of the project. The application materials are incorporated into this report by reference.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Westbrook Subdivision, Lot 7A1, Amended Tract 6A and 7A and a portion of Tract 5 less Highway right-of-way in Section 17, Township 02 South, Range 24 East, P.M.M., City of Laurel, Yellowstone County, Montana.

APPLICANT(S):

Love's Travel Stops & Community Stores, Corporate Office
10601 N Pennsylvania Ave
Oklahoma City, OK 73120

AGENT:

JSA Civil
Charlie Severs, PE
111 Tumwater BLVD SE, Ste B203
Tumwater WA 98501

EXISTING CONDITION:

The subject property is a platted subdivision within the City of Laurel. The property is undeveloped and is intended to be served by private extensions to public water and sewer, streets, and solid waste collection will be public. The property is 34.239 acres in size. This project will be located on the west side of the I-90 interchange.

PROCESS:

- The application for a Conditional Use was submitted on March 20, 2026, and is scheduled for review and recommendation on April 15, 2026 by the Laurel Zoning Commission.
- The Zoning Commission following the Public Comment must adopt findings of fact and issue a formal recommendation to the City Council on the requested conditional use. The Zoning Commission may propose conditions or modifications to the request so long as the findings of fact support the condition(s).
- Those findings of fact and conclusions as well as the record minutes of the public comments will be submitted to the City Council for consideration, hearing and final decision.
- The City Council will consider the Zoning Commission recommendation, findings of fact, and any conditions mitigating the impacts associated with the request.

ZONES INVOLVED: Existing and Proposed

- HC – Highway Commercial District.
 - Recreational Vehicle camping is a Conditionally Permitted use in the HC District.

RATIONAL NEXUS FOR CONDITIONAL USES:

“Conditional Use” The purpose of Conditional Uses is to allow uses that may be suitable in some but not all locations in the zoning district in which they are allowed or require special consideration because of unusual operational or physical characteristics or must be designed and developed with conditions to assure compatibility

Findings of Fact: Standard of Review – REQUIRED.

Approval or Conditional Approval of a Conditional Use shall require the Planning Board and City Council to consider and address each of the following Findings of Fact:

CONSISTENT WITH GROWTH POLICY

The Conditional Use is consistent with the policies, goals, objectives, and strategies of the Laurel Growth Policy.

COMPATIBILITY

The Conditional Use is compatible with the character of the immediate vicinity including the bulk, scale, and general appearance of neighboring buildings and uses.

MINIMIZES ADVERSE IMPACT

The design, development, and operation of the Conditional Use minimizes and mitigate adverse effects, including visual impact of the proposed use on adjacent lands.

MINIMIZES ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The development and operation of the proposed Conditional Use minimizes adverse environmental impacts. Environmental resources to be assessed include, but are not limited to wetlands, riparian areas, steep slopes, mature vegetation, and the floodplain.

IMPACT ON PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES

The Conditional Use does not have a significant adverse impact on public facilities and services, including, but not limited to, transportation systems, potable water and wastewater facilities, storm drainage, solid waste and recycling, parks, trails, sidewalks, schools, police, fire, and EMT facilities.

HAZARD, NUISANCE

The proposed Conditional Use will not create a hazard to persons or property and will not create a nuisance arising from, but not limited to traffic, noise, smoke, odors, dust, vibration, or illumination.

OTHER CODES

The Conditional use complies with all applicable City codes and ordinances.

CONDITIONS

Conditions or restrictions may be placed on the approval of a Conditional Use. Such items include but are not limited to:

- A. OPEN SPACES; AND
- B. BUFFERS; AND
- C. FENCES; AND
- D. WALLS; AND
- E. REQUIRING INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF LANDSCAPING; AND
- F. REQUIRING STREET DEDICATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS; AND
- G. REGULATING POINTS OF VEHICULAR INGRESS AND EGRESS; AND
- H. REGULATING TRAFFIC CIRCULATION; AND
- I. REGULATING SIGNS; AND
- J. REGULATING HOURS OF OPERATION AND METHODS OF OPERATIONS; AND
- K. CONTROLLING POTENTIAL NUISANCES; AND
- L. PRESCRIBING STANDARDS FOR MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS; AND
- M. PRESCRIBING DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULES AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS; AND
- N. SUCH OTHER CONDITIONS AS THE COUNCIL MAY DEEM NECESSARY TO ENSURE COMPATIBILITY OF THE USE WITH SURROUNDING

DEVELOPMENTS AND USES AND TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC HEALTH,
SAFETY, AND WELFARE.

EXPIRATION

A Conditional Use shall expire one (1) year from the date of approval if the next logical step in the development process is not commenced. The next step in the development process includes but is not limited to applying for a building permit, commencing the use, or applying for a Development Permit.

ISSUES:

- The waterline serving the proposed development has not yet been accepted by the City of Laurel.
- Information on the line has been supplied to the City but acceptance has not occurred.
- The water pressure on the private main extension are perilously low >30 psi and will require the installation of a booster system to meet fire flows. This situation will be examined by MDEQ as part of their required review process.
- The problem is not the quantity of water but the pressures resulting from demands.
- The reports and documentation submitted by JSA Civil are incorporated into this report and made a part by reference.
- Love's has never made a secret of the intended use of this property as an RV Park

RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning Board and Zoning Commission recommends that the City Council consider each of the seven (7) criteria individually adopt findings related to each criterion and then based on the findings, take final action on the requested conditional use permit.

PROPOSED CONDITIONS:

1. That the development of the RV Park shall be in accordance with the plans, specifications, and design documents submitted for review except as modified by these conditions.
2. That a Revised Preliminary Plat showing the details of the RV Park layout, spaces, amenities, utilities, and support buildings shall be filed with the Yellowstone County Clerk and Recorder.
3. That the provision of water, sanitary sewer, stormwater, solid waste, and fire flow shall be reviewed and approved by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality.
4. That the proposed RV Park shall be licensed by the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services prior to opening.
5. That an approach permit to 19th Avenue West shall be issued for the proposed RV Park by the Montana Department of Transportation.
6. That the Conditional Use Permit is for the construction of a 24 Unit Recreational vehicle Park within the Laurel Highway Commercial Zoning District.

7. That all public and private infrastructure, including landscaping shall be installed prior to the opening of the RV Park to the public.
8. That the Conditional Use Permit is valid for three years from the date of issuance to facilitate construction of the facility. If completed within the time specified, the permit shall run with the land as provided in the Laurel Municipal Code.

File Attachments for Item:

9. Public Works: Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute The Task Order And All Related Documents For The On-Call Engineering By And Between The City Of Laurel And Morrison-Maierle

RESOLUTION NO. R26-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE TASK ORDER AND ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS FOR THE ON-CALL ENGINEERING BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUREL AND MORRISON-MAIERLE

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana,

Section 1: Approval. The Task Order and all related documents, by and between the City of Laurel and Morrison-Maierle., for the on-call engineering, a copy attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2: Execution. The Mayor is hereby given authority to execute the Task Order and all related documents, by and between the City of Laurel and Morrison-Maierle.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of June 2026, by Council Member _____.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel on the 23rd day of June 2026.

APPROVED by the Mayor on the 23rd day of June 2026.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Civil City Attorney

Task Order

In accordance with Paragraph 1.01 of the Agreement Between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services – Task Order Edition, dated 5/26/2026 ("Agreement"), Owner and Engineer agree as follows:

1. Background Data

- a. Effective Date of Task Order: 6/23/2026
- b. Owner: City of Laurel
- c. Engineer: Morrison-Maierle
- d. Specific Project (title): On-Call General Assistance
- e. Specific Project (description): Engineer shall provide specific services as requested by the City of Laurel, in writing.

2. Services of Engineer

- A. The specific services to be provided or furnished by Engineer under this Task Order are:
 - as follows: Engineer shall provide specific services as requested and authorized by the City of Laurel Public Works staff via email or other written communication. Each request shall define the scope, schedule expectations, and any budget limitations, and shall constitute authorization to proceed unless otherwise stated.

3. Additional Services

- B. Additional Services that may be authorized or necessary under this Task Order are:
 - as follows: Engineer shall provide specific Additional Services as requested and authorized by the City of Laurel Public Works staff via email or other written communication. Each request shall define the scope, schedule expectations, and any budget limitations, and shall constitute authorization to proceed unless otherwise stated.

4. Owner's Responsibilities

Owner shall have those responsibilities set forth in Article 2 of the Agreement and in Exhibit B, subject to the following: *None*

Task Order Form

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5. Task Order Schedule

In addition to any schedule provisions provided in Exhibit A or elsewhere, the parties shall meet the following schedule: The schedule shall be as agreed to in writing for each individual on-call work task requested.

6. Payments to Engineer

A. Owner shall pay Engineer for services rendered under this Task Order as follows:

The total compensation for services identified under this Task Order is estimated to be \$50,000 per year. Council approval is required for any services exceeding \$50,000 in one year. Based on the following assumed distribution:

Description of Service	Amount	Basis of Compensation
1. On-Call General Assistance	\$50,000	Hourly Rates or as agreed per task
TOTAL COMPENSATION	\$50,000	Hourly Rates or as agreed per task

Services shall be performed on either an Hourly Rate or Lump Sum basis in accordance with the rate schedule included in the Agreement and as described in Exhibit C of the Master Agreement.

For hourly rate work, the hourly rates and expenses for Engineering Services may be adjusted annually, and such adjusted rates will be utilized for those Basic Services and Additional Services utilizing the Hourly Rate method of payment. Owner shall pay Engineer for services at the current Standard Billing Rates in effect at the time of the work request.

In some cases, Owner and Engineer may agree on a Lump Sum for specific tasks. This will be defined in writing at the time the task is authorized.

7. **Consultants retained as of the Effective Date of the Task Order:** None. May be defined on a task by task basis, if needed.
8. **Other Modifications to Agreement and Exhibits:** None
9. **Attachments:** Current Hourly Rates, effective through December 31, 2026.
10. **Other Documents Incorporated by Reference:** None

Task Order Form

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11. Terms and Conditions

Execution of this Task Order by Owner and Engineer shall make it subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement (as modified above), which Agreement is incorporated by this reference. Engineer is authorized to begin performance upon its receipt of a copy of this Task Order signed by Owner.

The Effective Date of this Task Order is 6/23/2026.

OWNER:

By: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

ENGINEER:

By: Jill A. Cook

Print Name: Jill A. Cook, PE

Title: Vice President

Engineer License or Firm's Certificate No. (if required): 19585 PE

State of: MT

DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE FOR TASK ORDER:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone: _____

DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE FOR TASK ORDER:

Name: Kurtis DeShaw

Title: Project Manager

Address: 315 N 25th St, Suite 102

E-Mail Address: kdeshaw@m-m.net

Phone: 406-237-1251

Task Order Form

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File Attachments for Item:

10. Fire: Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement For Provision Of Fire Services For The Laurel Airport Authority.

RESOLUTION NO. R26-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES FOR THE LAUREL AIRPORT AUTHORITY.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana,

Section 1: Approval. The Agreement for Provision of Fire Services for the Laurel Airport Authority (hereinafter “Airport Authority”), by and between the City of Laurel (hereinafter “the City”) and Airport Authority, a copy attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2: Execution. The Mayor is hereby given authority to execute the Agreement for Provision of Fire Services with Airport Authority on behalf of the City.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of June 2026, by Council Member _____.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel on the 23rd day of June 2026.

APPROVED by the Mayor on the 23rd day of June 2026.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Civil City Attorney



LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

215 WEST 1ST STREET • LAUREL, MT • 59044
OFFICE 406.628.4911 • FAX 406.628.2185

May 11, 2026

Fire District: Laurel Airport Authority

Dear Laurel Airport Authority,

The Laurel Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Laurel have discussed the upcoming Fire service contracts and other services for the Rural Fire Districts and Fire Service Areas.

We would like to continue to offer you a contract with a 10% increase from last year. This increase is a result of the rising costs of expenses associated with the Fire Service. These include fire apparatus - both new equipment and the maintenance and repair of existing apparatus, personal protective equipment, fuel costs and equipment purchase to maintain and provide highly effective fire services for our districts. The proposed payment would be as follows:

Contract Year	Last Contract		% +/-	Increase/ Decrease		Last Contract	=	Annual Payment
2026-27	\$6,620.68	x	10.00	\$662.09	+	\$6,620.68	=	\$7,282.75

Enclosed, you will find the contract for the next year of service. If your Board of Directors accepts this contract amount, please sign and return to the following by May 30, 2026:

Brittney Harakal
Council Administrative Assistant, P O Box 10
Laurel, MT 59044

The City of Laurel and the Laurel Fire Department are requesting that the new contracts be finalized and ready, to be presented to the City of Laurel Council before the end of the fiscal year. If you feel that the new rate is unjust and would like to meet with myself or the City of Laurel Mayor, please contact me and arrange a date and time at your convenience to meet.

Thank you for your support. If there is anything we can do to help support Fire District 7, please don't hesitate to call us. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

J W Hopper
Fire Chief,
Laurel Fire Department
jwhopper@laurel.mt.gov
406-628-4911

**AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES
FOR
THE LAUREL AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 1st day of July, 2026, by and between the City of Laurel, Montana, a municipal corporation (hereinafter “the City”) and the Laurel Airport Authority (hereinafter “the Laurel Airport Authority”).

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the City maintains the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department (hereinafter “the LVFD”) and is willing to provide fire protection, prevention, and investigation services to properties within the Laurel Airport Authority at the same level as such services are provided to properties within the limits of the City, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter provided;

WHEREAS, attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, is the Laurel Airport Authority boundary description and map;

WHEREAS, the Laurel Airport Authority desires to obtain the said fire services from the City by entering into a contract with the City for such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. SERVICES

The City will furnish the following services to properties and residents within the Laurel Airport Authority at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the Fire Districts served by the City:

- a. fire protection and suppression;
- b. fire prevention

The City further agrees to provide grassland, rangeland, and timberland fire protection services to properties located within the Laurel Airport Authority, at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the Fire Districts served by the City.

It is mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the amount of equipment, the type of equipment, the number of personnel dispatched, the manner of fighting the fire or explosion, etc., shall be in the sole discretion of the City and its personnel.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that, in the event fire, explosion, or emergency calls shall occur simultaneously in the Laurel Airport Authority and within the City’s municipal boundaries, the City shall have priority in using its equipment and manpower to protect the City property first, and that protection of City inhabitants and property shall have preference and priority over any call or demand of the Laurel Airport Authority.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the Fire Marshall of the LVFD shall conduct the investigation of all fires and/or explosions within the organized fire district and be independently responsible for determining the cause, origin, and circumstances of the same.

The Laurel Airport Authority agrees to cooperate with the City and the LVFD in the inspection of the property to be protected and to cooperate in reducing fire risks as may be suggested from time to time by LVFD personnel and/or the City and/or State Fire Inspector.

2. SERVICE AREA

Fire services will be provided to all properties located within the boundaries of the Laurel Airport Authority as specified in the Agreement, and as amended from time to time by agreement of the parties. Any enlargement of the Laurel Airport Authority will not receive fire service unless approved in writing by the City. The hydrants and water system used for fire suppression by the City will be the sole responsibility for maintenance, care, and upkeep of the Laurel Airport Authority.

3. EFFECTIVE

This Agreement shall be effective on July 1, 2026, and shall terminate on June 30, 2027, subject to the provisions of Section 4.

4. RENEWAL AND EXTENSION

This Agreement may be renewed, with the terms and conditions of the renewal Agreement to be as mutually agreed upon by the parties or, prior to expiration, this agreement may be extended for one or more thirty-day period(s) to provide the parties the opportunity to negotiate a new agreement. The parties may extend the agreement in writing, accepted, and signed by both the City's Mayor and an authorized official/agent of the Laurel Airport Authority.

5. CHARGES AND PAYMENTS

The fees for providing services for this Agreement shall be:

July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027: \$7,282.75

One-half of the said fees shall be paid on or before December 31, 2026. The remaining one-half shall be paid on or before June 30, 2027.

6. ANNUAL REPORT

The City will furnish an annual written report to the Laurel Airport Authority, which will include the number and type of incidents responded to within the Laurel Airport Authority by City personnel.

7. MODIFICATION

This Agreement cannot be modified or amended except in writing executed by the parties.

8. TERMINATION

Termination of this Agreement occurs either 1) upon mutual agreement of the parties or 2) upon the termination date contemplated herein. If either party wishes to terminate this Agreement before the termination date, such party shall give written notice to the other party to respond, with the other party's consent or objection, no less than thirty (30) days before the proposed termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

CITY OF LAUREL

LAUREL AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Mayor

By _____

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

File Attachments for Item:

11. Fire: Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement For Provision Of Fire Services For The Yellowstone Boys And Girls Ranch.

RESOLUTION NO. R26-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES FOR THE YELLOWSTONE BOYS AND GIRLS RANCH.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana,

Section 1: Approval. The Agreement for Provision of Fire Services for the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch (hereinafter “YBGR”), by and between the City of Laurel (hereinafter “the City”) and YBGR, a copy attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2: Execution. The Mayor is hereby given authority to execute the Agreement for Provision of Fire Services with YBRG on behalf of the City.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of June 2026, by Council Member _____.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel on the 23rd day of June 2026.

APPROVED by the Mayor on the 23rd day of June 2026.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Civil City Attorney



LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

215 WEST 1ST STREET • LAUREL, MT • 59044
OFFICE 406.628.4911 • FAX 406.628.2185

May 11, 2026

Fire District: Yellowstone Boys & Girls Ranch

Dear Yellowstone Boys & Girls Ranch Chairperson,

The Laurel Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Laurel have discussed the upcoming Fire service contracts and other services for the Rural Fire Districts and Fire Service Areas.

We would like to continue to offer you a contract with a 10% increase from last year. This increase is a result of the rising costs of expenses associated with the Fire Service. These include fire apparatus - both new equipment and the maintenance and repair of existing apparatus, personal protective equipment, fuel costs and equipment purchase to maintain and provide highly effective fire services for our districts. The proposed payment would be as follows:

Contract Year	Last Contract		% +/-	Increase/ Decrease		Last Contract		Annual Payment
2026-27	\$13,640.94	x	10.00	\$1,364.09	+	\$13,640.94	=	\$15,005.03

Enclosed, you will find the contract for the next year of service. If your Board of Directors accepts this contract amount, please sign and return to the following by May 30, 2026:

Brittney Harakal
Council Administrative Assistant, P O Box 10
Laurel, MT 59044

The City of Laurel and the Laurel Fire Department are requesting that the new contracts be finalized and ready, to be presented to the City of Laurel Council before the end of the fiscal year. If you feel that the new rate is unjust and would like to meet with myself or the City of Laurel Mayor, please contact me and arrange a date and time at your convenience to meet.

Thank you for your support. If there is anything we can do to help support Fire District 7, please don't hesitate to call us. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

J.W. Hopper
Fire Chief,
Laurel Fire Department
jwhopper@laurel.mt.gov
406-628-4911

**AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES
FOR
THE YELLOWSTONE BOYS AND GIRLS RANCH**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 1st day of July, 2026, by and between the City of Laurel, Montana, a municipal corporation (hereinafter “the City”) and the Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch (hereinafter “YBGR”).

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the City maintains the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department (hereinafter “the LVFD”) and is willing to provide fire protection, prevention, and investigation services to properties within YBGR at the same level as such services are provided to properties within the limits of the City, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter provided;

WHEREAS, attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, is YBGR’s boundary description and map;

WHEREAS, YBGR desires to obtain the said fire services from the City by entering into a contract with the City for such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. SERVICES

The City will furnish the following services to properties and residents within YBGR at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the Fire Districts served by the City:

- a. fire protection and suppression;
- b. fire prevention; and
- c. fire investigations.

The City further agrees to provide grassland, rangeland, and timberland fire protection services to properties located within YBGR, at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the Fire Districts served by the City.

It is mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the amount of equipment, the type of equipment, the number of personnel dispatched, the manner of fighting the fire or explosion, etc., shall be in the sole discretion of the City and its personnel.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that, in the event fire, explosion, or emergency calls shall occur simultaneously in YBGR and within the City’s municipal boundaries, the City shall have priority in using its equipment and manpower to protect the City property first, and that protection of City inhabitants and property shall have preference and priority over any call or demand of YBGR.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the Fire Marshall of the LVFD shall conduct the investigation of all fires and/or explosions within the organized fire district and be independently responsible for determining the cause, origin, and circumstances of the same.

YBGR agrees to cooperate with the City and the LVFD in the inspection of the property to be protected and to cooperate in reducing fire risks as may be suggested from time to time by LVFD personnel and/or the City and/or State Fire Inspector.

2. SERVICE AREA

Fire services will be provided to all properties located within the boundaries of YBGR as specified in the Agreement, and as amended from time to time by agreement of the parties. Any enlargement of YBGR will not receive fire service unless approved in writing by the City. The hydrants and water system used for fire suppression by the City will be the sole responsibility for maintenance, care, and upkeep of YBGR.

3. EFFECTIVE

This Agreement shall be effective on July 1, 2026, and shall terminate on June 30, 2027, subject to the provisions of Section 4.

4. RENEWAL AND EXTENSION

This Agreement may be renewed, with the terms and conditions of the renewal Agreement to be as mutually agreed upon by the parties or, prior to expiration, this agreement may be extended for one or more thirty-day period(s) to provide the parties the opportunity to negotiate a new agreement. The parties may extend the agreement in writing, accepted and signed by both the City's Mayor and an authorized official/agent of YBGR.

5. CHARGES AND PAYMENTS

The fees for providing services for this Agreement shall be:

July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027: \$15,005.03.

One-half of the said fees shall be paid on or before December 31, 2026. The remaining one-half shall be paid on or before June 30, 2027.

6. ANNUAL REPORT

The City will furnish an annual written report to YBGR, which will include the number and type of incidents responded to within YBGR by City personnel.

7. MODIFICATION

This Agreement cannot be modified or amended except in writing executed by the parties.

8. TERMINATION

Termination of this Agreement occurs either 1) upon mutual agreement of the parties or 2) upon the termination date contemplated herein. If either party wishes to terminate this Agreement before the termination date, such party shall give written notice to the other party to respond, with the other party's consent or objection, no less than thirty (30) days before the proposed termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

CITY OF LAUREL

YELLOWSTONE BOYS AND GIRLS RANCH

Mayor

By _____

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

File Attachments for Item:

12. Fire: Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement For Provision Of Fire Services For The Rural Fire District 5.

RESOLUTION NO. R26-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES FOR THE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT 5.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana,

Section 1: Approval. The Agreement for Provision of Fire Services for the Rural Fire District 5 (“Fire District 5”), by and between the City of Laurel (hereinafter “the City”) and Fire District 5, a copy attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2: Execution. The Mayor is hereby given authority to execute the Agreement for Provision of Fire Services with Fire District 5 on behalf of the City.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of June 2026, by Council Member _____.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel on the 23rd day of June 2026.

APPROVED by the Mayor on the 23rd day of June 2026.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Civil City Attorney



LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

215 WEST 1ST STREET • LAUREL, MT • 59044
OFFICE 406.628.4911 • FAX 406.628.2185

May 11, 2026

Fire District: 5
Attn: Mr. John Rutt

Dear Mr. Rutt,

Laurel Fire Rescue and the City of Laurel have discussed the upcoming fire service contracts and other services for the Rural Fire Districts and Fire Service Areas.

We would like to continue to offer you a contract for 2026-27. This year, we are pleased to maintain and provide our fire services to you at 0% increase, thereby maintaining the annual payment at the current level.

The proposed payment would be as follows:

Contract Year	Last Contract		% +/-	Increase/ Decrease		Last Contract	=	Annual Payment
2026-27	\$21,127.96	x	0	\$0.00	+	\$21,127.96	=	\$21,127.96

Enclosed, you will find the contract for the next year of service. If your Board of Directors accepts this contract amount, please sign and return to the following by May 30, 2026:

Brittney Harakal
Council Administrative Assistant, P O Box 10
Laurel, MT 59044

The City of Laurel and the Laurel Fire Department are requesting that the new contracts be finalized and ready, to be presented to the City of Laurel Council before the end of the fiscal year. If you feel that the new rate is unjust and would like to meet with myself or the City of Laurel Mayor, please contact me and arrange a date and time at your convenience to meet.

Thank you for your support. If there is anything we can do to help support Fire District 7, please don't hesitate to call us. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

J.W. Hopper
Fire Chief,
Laurel Fire Department
jwhopper@laurel.mt.gov
406-628-4911

**AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES
FOR
THE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT 5**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 1st day of July, 2026, by and between the City of Laurel, Montana, a municipal corporation (hereinafter “the City”) and the Rural Fire District 5 (hereinafter “the Fire District”).

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the City maintains the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department (hereinafter “the LVFD”) and is willing to provide fire protection, prevention, and investigation services to properties within the Fire District at the same level as such services are provided to properties within the limits of the City, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter provided;

WHEREAS, attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, is the Fire District boundary description and map;

WHEREAS, the Fire District desires to obtain the said fire services from the City by entering into a contract with the City for such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. SERVICES

The City will furnish the following services to properties and residents within the Fire District at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the Fire Districts served by the City:

- a. fire protection and suppression;
- b. fire prevention; and
- c. fire investigations.

The City further agrees to provide grassland, rangeland, and timberland fire protection services to properties located within the Fire District, at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the Fire Districts served by the City.

It is mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the amount of equipment, the type of equipment, the number of personnel dispatched, the manner of fighting the fire or explosion, etc., shall be in the sole discretion of the City and its personnel.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that, in the event fire, explosion, or emergency calls shall occur simultaneously in the Fire District and within the City’s municipal boundaries, the City shall have priority in using its equipment and manpower to protect the City property first, and that protection of City inhabitants and property shall have preference and priority over any call or demand of the Fire District.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the Fire Marshall of the LVFD shall conduct the investigation of all fires and/or explosions within the organized fire district and be independently responsible for determining the cause, origin, and circumstances of the same.

The Fire District agrees to cooperate with the City and the LVFD in the inspection of the property to be protected and to cooperate in reducing fire risks as may be suggested from time to time by LVFD personnel and/or the City and/or State Fire Inspector.

2. SERVICE AREA

Fire services will be provided to all properties located within the boundaries of the Fire District as specified in the Agreement, and as amended from time to time by agreement of the parties. Any enlargement of the Fire District will not receive fire service unless approved in writing by the City. The hydrants and water system used for fire suppression by the City will be the sole responsibility for maintenance, care, and upkeep of the Fire District.

3. EFFECTIVE

This Agreement shall be effective on July 1, 2026, and shall terminate on June 30, 2026, subject to the provisions of Section 4.

4. RENEWAL AND EXTENSION

This Agreement may be renewed, with the terms and conditions of the renewal Agreement to be as mutually agreed upon by the parties or, prior to expiration, this agreement may be extended for one or more thirty-day period(s) to provide the parties the opportunity to negotiate a new agreement. The parties may extend the agreement in writing, accepted, and signed by both the City's Mayor and an authorized official/agent of the Fire District.

5. CHARGES AND PAYMENTS

The fees for providing services for this Agreement shall be:

July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026: \$21,127.96.

One-half of the said fees shall be paid on or before December 31, 2026. The remaining one-half shall be paid on or before June 30, 2026.

6. ANNUAL REPORT

The City will furnish an annual written report to the Fire District, which will include the number and type of incidents responded to within the Fire District by City personnel.

7. MODIFICATION

This Agreement cannot be modified or amended except in writing executed by the parties.

8. TERMINATION

Termination of this Agreement occurs either 1) upon mutual agreement of the parties or 2) upon the termination date contemplated herein. If either party wishes to terminate this Agreement before the termination date, such party shall give written notice to the other party to respond, with the other party's consent or objection, no less than thirty (30) days before the proposed termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

CITY OF LAUREL

FIRE DISTRICT

Mayor

By _____

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

File Attachments for Item:

13. Fire: Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement For Provision Of Fire Services For The Rural Fire District 8.

RESOLUTION NO. R26-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES FOR THE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT 8.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana,

Section 1: Approval. The Agreement for Provision of Fire Services for the Rural Fire District 8 (“Fire District 8”), by and between the City of Laurel (hereinafter “the City”) and Fire District 8, a copy attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2: Execution. The Mayor is hereby given authority to execute the Agreement for Provision of Fire Services with Fire District 8 on behalf of the City.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of June 2026, by Council Member ____.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel on the 23rd day of June 2026.

APPROVED by the Mayor on the 23rd day of June 2026.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Civil City Attorney

**AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES
FOR
THE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT 8**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 1st day of July, 2026, by and between the City of Laurel, Montana, a municipal corporation (hereinafter “the City”) and the Rural Fire District 8 (hereinafter “the Fire District”).

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the City maintains the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department (hereinafter “the LVFD”) and is willing to provide fire protection, prevention, and investigation services to properties within the Fire District at the same level as such services are provided to properties within the limits of the City, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter provided;

WHEREAS, attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, is the Fire District boundary description and map;

WHEREAS, the Fire District desires to obtain the said fire services from the City by entering into a contract with the City for such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. SERVICES

The City will furnish the following services to properties and residents within the Fire District at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the Fire Districts served by the City:

- a. fire protection and suppression;
- b. fire prevention; and
- c. fire investigations.

The City further agrees to provide grassland, rangeland, and timberland fire protection services to properties located within the Fire District, at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the Fire Districts served by the City.

It is mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the amount of equipment, the type of equipment, the number of personnel dispatched, the manner of fighting the fire or explosion, etc., shall be in the sole discretion of the City and its personnel.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that, in the event fire, explosion, or emergency calls shall occur simultaneously in the Fire District and within the City’s municipal boundaries, the City shall have priority in using its equipment and manpower to protect the City property first, and that protection of City inhabitants and property shall have preference and priority over any call or demand of the Fire District.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the Fire Marshall of the LVFD shall conduct the investigation of all fires and/or explosions within the organized fire district and be independently responsible for determining the cause, origin, and circumstances of the same.

The Fire District agrees to cooperate with the City and the LVFD in the inspection of the property to be protected and to cooperate in reducing fire risks as may be suggested from time to time by LVFD personnel and/or the City and/or State Fire Inspector.

2. SERVICE AREA

Fire services will be provided to all properties located within the boundaries of the Fire District as specified in the Agreement, and as amended from time to time by agreement of the parties. Any enlargement of the Fire District will not receive fire service unless approved in writing by the City. The hydrants and water system used for fire suppression by the City will be the sole responsibility for maintenance, care, and upkeep of the Fire District.

3. EFFECTIVE

This Agreement shall be effective on July 1, 2026, and shall terminate on June 30, 2027, subject to the provisions of Section 4.

4. RENEWAL AND EXTENSION

This Agreement may be renewed, with the terms and conditions of the renewal Agreement to be as mutually agreed upon by the parties or, prior to expiration, this agreement may be extended for one or more thirty-day period(s) to provide the parties the opportunity to negotiate a new agreement. The parties may extend the agreement in writing, accepted, and signed by both the City's Mayor and an authorized official/agent of the Fire District.

5. CHARGES AND PAYMENTS

The fees for providing services for this Agreement shall be:

July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027: \$9,806.76.

One-half of the said fees shall be paid on or before December 31, 2026. The remaining one-half shall be paid on or before June 30, 2027.

6. ANNUAL REPORT

The City will furnish an annual written report to the Fire District, which will include the number and type of incidents responded to within the Fire District by City personnel.

7. MODIFICATION

This Agreement cannot be modified or amended except in writing executed by the parties.

8. TERMINATION

Termination of this Agreement occurs either 1) upon mutual agreement of the parties or 2) upon the termination date contemplated herein. If either party wishes to terminate this Agreement before the termination date, such party shall give written notice to the other party to respond, with the other party's consent or objection, no less than thirty (30) days before the proposed termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

CITY OF LAUREL

FIRE DISTRICT

Mayor

By _____

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer



LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

215 WEST 1ST STREET • LAUREL, MT • 59044
OFFICE 406.628.4911 • FAX 406.628.2185

May 11, 2026

Fire District: 8

Dear Fire District 8 Chairperson,

The Laurel Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Laurel have discussed the upcoming Fire service contracts and other services for the Rural Fire Districts and Fire Service Areas.

We would like to continue to offer you a contract with a 10% increase from last year. This increase is a result of the rising costs of expenses associated with the Fire Service. These include fire apparatus - both new equipment and the maintenance and repair of existing apparatus, personal protective equipment, fuel costs and equipment purchase to maintain and provide highly effective fire services for our districts. The proposed payment would be as follows:

Contract Year	Last Contract		% +/-	Increase/ Decrease		Last Contract	=	Annual Payment
2026-27	\$8,915.24	x	10.00	\$891.52	+	\$8,915.24	=	\$9,806.76

Enclosed, you will find the contract for the next year of service. If your Board of Directors accepts this contract amount, please sign and return to the following by May 30, 2026:

Brittney Harakal
Council Administrative Assistant, P O Box 10
Laurel, MT 59044

The City of Laurel and the Laurel Fire Department are requesting that the new contracts be finalized and ready, to be presented to the City of Laurel Council before the end of the fiscal year. If you feel that the new rate is unjust and would like to meet with myself or the City of Laurel Mayor, please contact me and arrange a date and time at your convenience to meet.

Thank you for your support. If there is anything we can do to help support Fire District 7, please don't hesitate to call us. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

J W Hopper
Fire Chief,
Laurel Fire Department
jwhopper@laurel.mt.gov
406-628-4911

File Attachments for Item:

14. Fire: Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement For Provision Of Fire Services For The Laurel Urban Fire Services Area.

RESOLUTION NO. R26-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES FOR THE LAUREL URBAN FIRE SERVICES AREA.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana,

Section 1: Approval. The Agreement for Provision of Fire Services for the Laurel Urban Fire Services Area (“LUFSA”), by and between the City of Laurel (hereinafter “the City”) and LUFSA, a copy attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2: Execution. The Mayor is hereby given authority to execute the Agreement for Provision of Fire Services with LUFSA on behalf of the City.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of June 2026, by Council Member _____.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel on the 23rd day of June 2026.

APPROVED by the Mayor on the 23rd day of June 2026.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Civil City Attorney



LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

215 WEST 1ST STREET • LAUREL, MT • 59044
OFFICE 406.628.4911 • FAX 406.628.2185

May 11, 2026

Fire District: Laurel Urban Fire Service Area (LUFSA)
Attn: Mr. Mark Caron

Dear Mr. Caron,

The Laurel Volunteer Fire Department and the City of Laurel have discussed the upcoming Fire service contracts and other services for the Rural Fire Districts and Fire Service Areas.

We would like to continue to offer you a contract with a 10% increase from last year. This increase is a result of the rising costs of expenses associated with the Fire Service. These include fire apparatus - both new equipment and the maintenance and repair of existing apparatus, personal protective equipment, fuel costs and equipment purchase to maintain and provide highly effective fire services for our districts. The proposed payment would be as follows:

Contract Year	Last Contract		% +/-	Increase/ Decrease		Last Contract		Annual Payment
2026-27	\$113,006.59	x	10.00	\$11,300.66	+	\$113,006.59	=	\$124,307.25

Enclosed, you will find the contract for the next year of service. If your Board of Directors accepts this contract amount, please sign and return to the following by May 30, 2026:

Brittney Harakal
Council Administrative Assistant, P O Box 10
Laurel, MT 59044

The City of Laurel and the Laurel Fire Department are requesting that the new contracts be finalized and ready, to be presented to the City of Laurel Council before the end of the fiscal year. If you feel that the new rate is unjust and would like to meet with myself or the City of Laurel Mayor, please contact me and arrange a date and time at your convenience to meet.

Thank you for your support. If there is anything we can do to help support Fire District 7, please don't hesitate to call us. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

J W Hopper
Fire Chief,
Laurel Fire Department
jwhopper@laurel.mt.gov
406-628-4911

**AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES
FOR
THE LAUREL URBAN FIRE SERVICE AREA (LUFSA)**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 1st day of July, 2026, by and between the City of Laurel, Montana, a municipal corporation (hereinafter “the City”) and the Laurel Urban Fire Service Area (hereinafter “the LUFSA”).

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the City maintains the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department (hereinafter “the LVFD”) and is willing to provide fire protection, prevention, and investigation services to properties within the LUFSA at the same level as such services are provided to properties within the limits of the City, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter provided;

WHEREAS, attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, is the LUFSA boundary description and map;

WHEREAS, the LUFSA desires to obtain the said fire services from the City by entering into a contract with the City for such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. SERVICES

The City will furnish the following services to properties and residents within the LUFSA at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the City:

- a. fire protection and suppression;
- b. fire prevention; and
- c. fire investigations.

It is mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the amount of equipment, the type of equipment, the number of personnel dispatched, the manner of fighting the fire or explosion, etc., shall be in the sole discretion of the City and its personnel.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that, in the event fire, explosion, or emergency calls shall occur simultaneously in the LUFSA and within the City’s municipal boundaries, the City shall have priority in using its equipment and manpower to protect the City property first, and that protection of City inhabitants and property shall have preference and priority over any call or demand of the LUFSA.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the Fire Marshall of the LVFD shall conduct the investigation of all fires and/or explosions within the organized LUFSA and be independently responsible for determining the cause, origin, and circumstances of the same.

The LUFSA agrees to cooperate with the City and the LVFD in the inspection of the property to be protected and to cooperate in reducing fire risks as may be suggested from time to time by LVFD personnel and/or the City and/or State Fire Inspector.

2. SERVICE AREA

Fire services will be provided to all properties located within the boundaries of the LUFSA as specified in the Agreement, and as amended from time to time by agreement of the parties. Any enlargement of the LUFSA will not receive fire service unless approved in writing by the City. The hydrants and water system used for fire suppression by the City will be the sole responsibility for maintenance, care, and upkeep of the LUFSA.

3. EFFECTIVE

This Agreement shall be effective on July 1, 2026, and shall terminate on June 30, 2027, subject to the provisions of Section 4.

4. RENEWAL AND EXTENSION

This Agreement may be renewed, with the terms and conditions of the renewal Agreement to be as mutually agreed upon by the parties or, prior to expiration, this agreement may be extended for one or more thirty-day period(s) to provide the parties the opportunity to negotiate a new agreement. The parties may extend the agreement in writing, accepted, and signed by both the City's Mayor and an authorized official/agent of LUFSA.

5. CHARGES AND PAYMENTS

The fees for providing services for this Agreement shall be:

July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027: \$124,307.25.

One-half of the said fees shall be paid on or before December 31, 2026. The remaining one-half shall be paid on or before June 30, 2027.

6. ANNUAL REPORT

The City will furnish an annual written report to LUFSA, which will include the number and type of incidents responded to within the LUFSA by City personnel.

7. MODIFICATION

This Agreement cannot be modified or amended except in writing executed by the parties.

8. TERMINATION

Termination of this Agreement occurs either 1) upon mutual agreement of the parties or 2) upon the termination date contemplated herein. If either party wishes to terminate this Agreement before the termination date, such party shall give written notice to the other

party to respond, with the other party's consent or objection, no less than thirty (30) days before the proposed termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

CITY OF LAUREL

LUFSA

Mayor

By _____

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

File Attachments for Item:

15. Fire: Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement For Provision Of Fire Services For The Rural Fire District 7.

RESOLUTION NO. R26-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES FOR THE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT 7.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana,

Section 1: Approval. The Agreement for Provision of Fire Services for the Rural Fire District 7 (“Fire District 7”), by and between the City of Laurel (hereinafter “the City”) and Fire District 7, a copy attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2: Execution. The Mayor is hereby given authority to execute the Agreement for Provision of Fire Services with Fire District 7 on behalf of the City.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of June 2026, by Council Member _____.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel on the 23rd day of June 2026.

APPROVED by the Mayor on the 23rd day of June 2026.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Civil City Attorney



LAUREL FIRE DEPARTMENT

215 WEST 1ST STREET • LAUREL, MT • 59044
OFFICE 406.628.4911 • FAX 406.628.2185

May 11, 2026

Fire District: 7
Attn: Mr. John E Bartram
2732 Pronghorn Dr
Laurel, MT 59044

Dear Mr. Bartram,

Laurel Fire Rescue and the City of Laurel have discussed the upcoming fire service contracts and other services for the Rural Fire Districts and Fire Service Areas.

We would like to continue to offer you a contract with a 10% increase from last year. This increase is a result of the rising costs of expenses associated with the Fire Service. These include fire apparatus - both new equipment and the maintenance and repair of existing apparatus, personal protective equipment, fuel costs and equipment purchase to maintain and provide highly effective fire services for our districts. The proposed payment would be as follows:

Contract Year	Last Contract		% +/-	Increase/ Decrease		Last Contract		Annual Payment
2026-27	\$157,987.00	x	10.0	\$15,798.70	+	\$157,987.00	=	\$173,785.70

Enclosed, you will find the contract for the next year of service. If your Board of Directors accepts this contract amount, please sign and return to the following by May 30, 2026:

Brittney Harakal
Council Administrative Assistant, P O Box 10
Laurel, MT 59044

The City of Laurel and the Laurel Fire Department are requesting that the new contracts be finalized and ready, to be presented to the City of Laurel Council before the end of the fiscal year. If you feel that the new rate is unjust and would like to meet with myself or the City of Laurel Mayor, please contact me and arrange a date and time at your convenience to meet.

Thank you for your support. If there is anything we can do to help support Fire District 7, please don't hesitate to call us. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

J W Hopper
Fire Chief,
Laurel Fire Department
jwhopper@laurel.mt.gov
406-628-4911

**AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF FIRE SERVICES
FOR
THE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT 7**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 1st day of July, 2026, by and between the City of Laurel, Montana, a municipal corporation (hereinafter “the City”) and the Rural Fire District 7 (hereinafter “the Fire District”).

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the City maintains the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department (hereinafter “the LVFD”) and is willing to provide fire protection, prevention, and investigation services to properties within the Fire District at the same level as such services are provided to properties within the limits of the City, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter provided;

WHEREAS, attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, is the Fire District boundary description and map;

WHEREAS, the Fire District desires to obtain the said fire services from the City by entering into a contract with the City for such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. SERVICES

The City will furnish the following services to properties and residents within the Fire District at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the Fire Districts served by the City:

- a. fire protection and suppression;
- b. fire prevention

The City further agrees to provide grassland, rangeland, and timberland fire protection services to properties located within the Fire District, at the same level as such services are provided to properties and residents within the limits of the Fire Districts served by the City.

It is mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the amount of equipment, the type of equipment, the number of personnel dispatched, the manner of fighting the fire or explosion, etc., shall be in the sole discretion of the City and its personnel.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that, in the event fire, explosion, or emergency calls shall occur simultaneously in the Fire District and within the City’s municipal boundaries, the City shall have priority in using its equipment and manpower to protect the City property first, and that protection of City inhabitants and property shall have preference and priority over any call or demand of the Fire District.

It is further mutually covenanted, agreed, and understood that the Fire Marshall of the LVFD shall conduct the investigation of all fires and/or explosions within the organized fire district and be independently responsible for determining the cause, origin, and circumstances of the same.

The Fire District agrees to cooperate with the City and the LVFD in the inspection of the property to be protected and to cooperate in reducing fire risks as may be suggested from time to time by LVFD personnel and/or the City and/or State Fire Inspector.

2. SERVICE AREA

Fire services will be provided to all properties located within the boundaries of the Fire District as specified in the Agreement, and as amended from time to time by agreement of the parties. Any enlargement of the Fire District will not receive fire service unless approved in writing by the City. The hydrants and water system used for fire suppression by the City will be the sole responsibility for maintenance, care, and upkeep of the Fire District.

3. EFFECTIVE

This Agreement shall be effective on July 1, 2026, and shall terminate on June 30, 2027, subject to the provisions of Section 4.

4. RENEWAL AND EXTENSION

This Agreement may be renewed, with the terms and conditions of the renewal Agreement to be as mutually agreed upon by the parties or, prior to expiration, this agreement may be extended for one or more thirty-day period(s) to provide the parties the opportunity to negotiate a new agreement. The parties may extend the agreement in writing, accepted, and signed by both the City's Mayor and an authorized official/agent of the Fire District.

5. CHARGES AND PAYMENTS

The fees for providing services for this Agreement shall be:

July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027: \$173,785.70.

One-half of the said fees shall be paid on or before December 31, 2026. The remaining one-half shall be paid on or before June 30, 2027.

6. ANNUAL REPORT

The City will furnish an annual written report to the Fire District, which will include the number and type of incidents responded to within the Fire District by City personnel.

7. MODIFICATION

This Agreement cannot be modified or amended except in writing executed by the parties.

8. TERMINATION

Termination of this Agreement occurs either 1) upon mutual agreement of the parties or 2) upon the termination date contemplated herein. If either party wishes to terminate this Agreement before the termination date, such party shall give written notice to the other party to respond, with the other party's consent or objection, no less than thirty (30) days before the proposed termination.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

CITY OF LAUREL

FIRE DISTRICT

Mayor

By _____

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

File Attachments for Item:

16. Public Works: Resolution - A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Independent Contractor Service Contract With Avanced Pump & Equipment, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. R26-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR SERVICE CONTRACT WITH AVANCED PUMP & EQUIPMENT, INC.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana,

Section 1: Approval. The Independent Contractor Service Contract by and between the City of Laurel (hereinafter “the City”) and Advanced Pump & Equipment, Inc., a copy attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved.

Section 2: Execution. The Mayor is hereby given authority to execute the Independent Contractor Service Contract with Advanced Pump & Equipment, Inc., on behalf of the City.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of June 2026, by Council Member _____.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Laurel on the 23rd day of June 2026.

APPROVED by the Mayor on the 23rd day of June 2026.

CITY OF LAUREL

Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Civil City Attorney

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR SERVICE CONTRACT

This Contract is made and entered into this 23rd day of June 2026, between the City of Laurel, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Montana whose address is P.O. Box 10, Laurel, Montana 59044, hereinafter referred to as “City” and Advanced Pump & Equipment, Inc., a contractor licensed to conduct business in the State of Montana, whose address is 81 Gold Miner Lane, Unit A, Belgrade, MT 59714, hereinafter referred to as “Contractor”.

SECTION ONE DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

A. Purpose. City shall hire Contractor as an independent contractor to perform for City the services described in the Bid dated June 9, 2026, attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and by this reference made part of this contract.

B. Effective Date. This contract is effective upon the date of its execution by both Parties. Contractor shall complete the services within 60 days of commencing work. The parties may extend the term of this contract in writing prior to its termination for good cause.

C. Scope of Work. Contractor shall perform his/her work and provide services in accordance with the specifications and requirements of this contract, any applicable Montana Public Work Standard(s) and Exhibit “A”.

SECTION TWO CONTRACT PRICE

Payment. City shall pay Contractor twenty-four thousand two hundred and fifty-two dollars and eighty cents (\$24,252.80) for the work described in Exhibit A. Any alteration or deviation from the described work that involves extra costs must be executed only upon written request by the City to Contractor and will become an extra charge over and above the contract amount. The parties must agree to extra payments or charges in writing. Prior to final payment, Contractor shall provide City with an invoice for all charges.

SECTION THREE CITY’S RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon completion of the contract and acceptance of the work, City shall pay Contractor the contract price, plus or minus any additions or deductions agreed upon between the parties in accordance with Sections one and two, if any.

SECTION FOUR CONTRACTOR’S WARRANTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Independent Contractor Status. The parties agree that Contractor is an independent contractor for purposes of this contract and is not to be considered an employee of the City for any purpose hereunder. Contractor is not subject to the terms and provisions of the City’s personnel policies or handbook and shall not be considered a City employee for workers’ compensation or any other purpose. Contractor is not authorized to represent the City or otherwise bind the City in any dealings, agreements or sub-

contracts in any dealings between Contractor and any third parties. The City is interested solely in the results of this contract. Contractor is solely responsible for all work and work product under this contract, including techniques, sequences, procedures, and means. Contractor shall supervise and direct the work to the best of his/her ability.

B. Wages and Employment. Contractor shall abide by all applicable State of Montana Rules, Regulations and/or Statutes in regards to prevailing wages and employment requirements. Contractor shall comply with the applicable requirements of the Workers' Compensation Act. Contractor shall maintain workers' compensation coverage for all members and employees of his/her business, except for those members who are exempted as independent contractors under the provisions of §39-71-401, MCA. Contractor understands that all contractors or subcontractors working on publicly funded projects are required to have withheld from earnings a license fee of one percent (1%) of the gross contract price if the gross contract price is Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) or more. This license fee is paid to the Montana Department of Revenue pursuant to Montana law.

C. Unless otherwise specified by the terms of this Agreement, all materials and equipment used by Contractor on the Construction Project shall be new and where not otherwise specified, of the most suitable grade for their intended uses.

D. All workmanship and materials shall be of a kind and nature acceptable to the City.

E. All equipment, materials, and labor provided to, on, or for the Contract must be free of defects and nonconformities in design, materials, and workmanship for a minimum period beginning with the commencement of the work and ending one (1) year from completion and final acceptance by the City. Upon receipt of City's written notice of a defective or nonconforming condition during the warranty period, Contractor shall take all actions, including redesign and replacement, to correct the defective or nonconforming condition within a time frame acceptable to the City and at no additional cost to the City. Contractor shall also, at its sole cost, perform any tests required by City to verify that such defective or nonconforming condition has been corrected. Contractor warrants the corrective action taken against defective and nonconforming conditions for a period of an additional one (1) year from the date of City's acceptance of the corrective action.

F. Contractor and its sureties are liable for the satisfaction and full performance of all warranties.

G. Contractor has examined the facilities and/or has made field examinations. Contractor has knowledge of the services or project sought under this Contract and he/she further understands the site conditions to be encountered during the performance of this Contract. Contractor has knowledge of the types and character of equipment necessary for the work, the types of materials needed and the sources of such materials, and the condition of the local labor market.

H. Contractor is responsible for the safety of the work and shall maintain all lights, guards, signs, temporary passages, or other protections necessary for that purpose at all times.

I. All work is performed at Contractor's risk, and Contractor shall promptly repair or replace all damage and loss at its sole cost and expense regardless of the reason or cause of the damage or loss; provided, however, should the damage or loss be caused by an intentional or negligent act of the City, the risk of such loss shall be placed on the City.

J. Contractor is responsible for any loss or damage to materials, tools, work product or other articles used or held for use in the completion or performance of the Contract.

K. Title to all work, work product, materials and equipment covered by any payment of Contractor's compensation by City, whether directly incorporated into the Contract or not, passes to City at the time of payment, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances.

**SECTION FIVE
INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE**

Contractor shall indemnify, defend and save City, its officers, agents and employees harmless from any and all losses, damage and liability occasioned by, growing out of, or in any way arising or resulting from any intentional or negligent act on the part of Contractor or its agents or employees.

**SECTION SIX
COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS**

Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations. Contractor shall either possess a City business license or shall purchase one, if a City Code requires a business license.

**SECTION SEVEN
NONDISCRIMINATION**

Contractor agrees that any hiring of persons as a result of this contract must be on the basis of merit and qualification and further that Contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, creed, political ideas, sex, age, marital status, physical or mental disability or national origin.

**SECTION EIGHT
DEFAULT**

If either party fails to comply with any term or condition of this Contract at the time or in the manner provided for, the other party may, at its option, terminate this Contract and be released from all obligations if the default is not cured within ten (10) days after written notice is provided to the defaulting party. Said notice shall set forth the items to be cured. Additionally, the non-defaulting party may bring suit for damages, specific performance, and any other remedy provided by law except for punitive damages. The Parties hereby waive their respective claims for punitive damages. These remedies are cumulative and not exclusive. Use of one remedy does not preclude use of the others. Notices shall be provided in writing and hand-delivered or mailed to the parties at the addresses set forth in the first paragraph of this Contract.

**SECTION NINE
TERMINATION**

Either party may terminate the contract for their convenience upon thirty days written notice sent postage prepaid, to the addresses provided herein.

**SECTION TEN
GOVERNING LAW AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

The Parties agree that the laws of the State of Montana govern this Contract. The Parties agree that venue is proper within the Courts of Yellowstone County, Montana. If a dispute arises, the Parties, through a representative(s) with full authority to settle a dispute, shall meet and attempt to negotiate a resolution of the dispute in good faith no later than ten business days after the dispute arises. If negotiations fail, the Parties may utilize a third party mediator and equally share the costs of the mediator or file suit.

**SECTION ELEVEN
ATTORNEY FEES**

If any action is filed in relation to this agreement, the unsuccessful party in the action shall pay to the successful party, in addition to all sums that either is ordered to pay, a reasonable sum for the successful party's attorney's fees and all costs charges and expenses related to the action.

**SECTION TWELVE
ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This contract and its referenced attachment and Exhibit A contain the entire agreement and understanding of the parties and supersede any and all prior negotiations or understandings relating to this project. This contract shall not be modified, amended, or changed in any respect except through a written document signed by each party's authorized respective agents.

**SECTION THIRTEENTH
ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS**

The rights of each party under this Contract are personal to that party and may not be assigned or transferred to any other person, firm, corporation, or other entity without the prior, express, and written consent of the other party.

**SECTION FOURTEEN
SEVERABILITY**

Each provision, section, or subsection of this Contract shall stand separate and independent of every other. In the event that a court of competent jurisdiction shall find any provision, section, or subsection of this contract to be invalid, the remaining provisions, sections, and subsections of this contract shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION FIFTEEN
PARAGRAPH HEADINGS**

The titles to the paragraphs of this contract are solely for the convenience of the parties and shall not be used to explain, simplify, or aid in the interpretation of the provisions of this agreement.

SIGNED AND AGREED BY BOTH PARTIES ON THE 23rd DAY OF JUNE 2026.

CITY OF LAUREL

CONTRACTOR

Mayor

Advanced Pump & Equipment, Inc.

ATTEST:

Employer Identification Number

Kelly Strecker, Clerk/Treasurer



Advanced Pump & Equipment, Inc.
 81 Gold Miner Lane, Unit A
 Belgrade MT 59714
 United States

Quote
 #ESTAPE6768
 6/9/2026

Bill To
 Bidding Contractor
 United States

Ship To
 Bidding Contractor
 United States

TOTAL
\$24,252.80
 Expires: 7/9/2026

Expires 7/9/2026 **Project** **Sales Rep** Higgs, Bryant M **Shipping Method**

Item	Quantity	Sales Rate	Sales Amount
HOMA Submersible Solid Handling Pump Pump Model: AMS434-220/10.4T/0 FM HP: 10.4 HP Voltage: 230/460V Phase: 3 Frequency: 60 Hz Speed: 1750 RPM FLA: 21.5/23 A Regular lead time: 4-6 weeks Note: Voltage needs to be specified before ordering. Note: Emergency Ship Lead time 1 week. Emergency shipment available for 230V pump only	2	\$12,126.40	\$24,252.80
Freight not included. Will be billed at the last invoice.	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtotal			\$24,252.80
Tax Total (0%)			\$0.00
Total			\$24,252.80

- Notes:**
- 1) Sales tax is not included in quote and will be charged when applicable.
 - 2) Freight is not included in quote and will be billed to customer at time of invoicing (unless otherwise indicated).
 - 3) Labor is not included in quote (unless otherwise indicated).
 - 4) This quote is only for items listed. Any additional materials are not included.

To accept this quotation, sign and return: _____

*Elm
 lift
 Station*

*Budget
 and Finance*



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