



**AGENDA  
CITY OF LAUREL  
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2019  
6:30 PM  
CITY 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. 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. Once again, each speaker is limited to three minutes.*

*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. The City Council will base its decision on the record created during the public hearing. Any comments provided tonight will not be included in the record or considered by the City Council.*

### **General Items**

#### **Executive Review**

1. [Ordinance](#) - An Ordinance Amending Title 12 Chapter 12.28.060 Of The Laurel Municipal Code For The Purpose Of Changing The Parks And Playground Equipment Closed Hours, Correctly Reference The Proper Section Of LMC For Violations, And Add An Event Exemption.

### **Council Issues**

### **Other Items**

#### **Review of Draft Council Agendas**

2. [Review](#) Draft Council Agenda of November 26, 2019.

### **Attendance at Upcoming Council Meeting**

#### **Announcements**

3. Employee Volunteer Recognition:

Geralyn Stevens	29 Years	Library
Susan Canape	24 Years	Police
Travis Pitts	23 Years	Police
Monica Salo	18 Years	Court
Jessica McCartney	12 Years	Police
Dylan Ceaser	6 Years	Water Plant
Keith Burns	6 Years	Fire Department
Michael Jenkins	6 Years	Fire Department
Thomas Sarkela	6 Years	Fire Department
Jamie Swecker	6 Years	Fire Department

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**Item Attachment Documents:**

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ORDINANCE NO. O19-\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAUREL MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
CHANGING CITY PARK HOURS PURSUANT TO 12.28.060.

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to keep the Laurel Municipal Code current by modifying and updating chapters, sections and subsections to address situations, improve services and resolve problems within the City and to remain in accordance with Montana law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council members desire to change the designated hours of operation for City Parks within the City of Laurel upon recommendation by the City's Park Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the new times of operation appear in the City's best interest at this time, and as a consequence, the Mayor, Staff and Park Board hereby recommend the following amendments to the Laurel Municipal Code;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Laurel City Council that the Laurel Municipal Code is amended as follows:

**12.28.060 Park hours.**

A. Except as otherwise provided herein, all city parks shall be closed from ~~twelve a.m.~~ ten p.m. until six a.m. each night.

B. No person shall remain in or upon any city park during closed hours.

C. This section shall not apply to the overnight camping areas designated in Riverside Park.

D. The children's playground equipment commonly known as "Kids Kingdom" at Kiwanis Park shall close at ~~sunset~~ ten p.m. and reopen at ~~sunrise~~ six a.m.

E. Any person violating the terms of this section shall, upon conviction, be punished as set forth in Section ~~12.28.050~~ 12.28.100 of this code. (~~Ord. 06-08 (part), 2006~~)

F. Applicants may seek an exemption to this Section when applying for an event permit at City Hall.

This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after final passage by the City Council and approved by the Mayor.

Introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the City Council on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, by Council Member \_\_\_\_\_.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Laurel City Council on second reading this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, upon motion of Council Member \_\_\_\_\_.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

CITY OF LAUREL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas C. Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bethany Langve, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved as to form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sam S. Painter, Civil City Attorney

Ordinance No. O19-\_\_ Amending LMC, Section 12.28.060

To the City Council Members  
From the Laurel Parks Board

During the meeting of July 4, 2019, the park board voted to recommend the open hours of the cities parks to be 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. with event exceptions. The board looked at what Billings was doing in their parks and felt these times worked for Laurel citizens and staff. We approved this 5-0.

Board Members;

Irv Wilke, Evan Bruce, Jon Rutt, Richard Herr, Scot Stokes, and Phyllis Bromgard

**Item Attachment Documents:**

Review Draft Council Agenda of November 26, 2019.



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CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2019  
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. Once again, each speaker is limited to three minutes.

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 the Minutes from the November 12, 2019 City Council Meeting.

**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.*

2. Claims for the Month of November 2019.
3. Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the Month of October 2019.
4. Approval of Payroll Register for Pay Period Ending 11/03/2019 totaling \$192,474.58.

**Ceremonial Calendar**

5. Arbor Day Proclamation.

**Reports of Boards and Commissions**

6. Review the following Minutes:
  - Budget and Finance Minutes of November 12, 2019.
  - Public Works Minutes of October 21, 2019.
  - Emergency Services Minutes of October 28, 2019.
  - Park Board Minutes of November 07, 2019.
  - LURA Minutes of September 16, 2019.

- City-County Planning Board Minutes of October 30, 2019.

### **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**

7. Ordinance No. O19-03 An Ordinance Amending The Laurel Municipal Code For The Purpose Of Changing City Park Hours Pursuant To 12.28.060.

### **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**

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