

AGENDA

*The City of Hardin
406 N. Cheyenne Avenue
Hardin, MT 59034*

October 20, 2026

AUDIO RECORDING BEGINS

PUBLIC HEARING: 6:00 p.m. - Montana Department of Commerce's Community Development Block Grant for the Crook Avenue Water Main Replacement Project

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Mayor: _____

Alderspersons: Steven Hopes	_____	Clayton Greer	_____	Chris Sharpe	_____
George Toyne	_____	Jeremy Krebs	_____	Antonio Espinoza	_____

CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Meeting 10/06/2026

Claims

PUBLIC COMMENT (agenda items only): 3 minutes per person

MAYOR:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Personnel Committee/City Policy:** Mayor
- **Sewer & Water:** Hopes
- **Streets & Alleys:** Hopes
- **Law Enforcement:** Toyne
- **Parks & Playgrounds:** Krebs
- **Finance/Landfill:** Greer
- **Impact Fee Advisory:** Greer
- **Resolutions and Ordinances:** Sharpe
- **Economic Development:** Toyne

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

- City-County Planning Board Minutes – September 28, 2026
- Clayton Greer – Letter

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- CDBG – Crook Avenue Water Main Replacement
- Langlas & Associates – Vanzandt Road Irrigation Canal Culvert Replacement - \$35,672.27
- Langlas & Associates – Hardin Visitor Center Pay Application #1 \$242,720.52
- Land Purchase 705 W. 3rd Street - \$40,000 plus Closing Costs
- Inland Potable Services, Inc. - Screen Cleaning/Clear Well Cleaning \$7,495
- Coal Board Grant – Crawford Water Main and Street

STAFF REPORTS

- **Public Works:**
- **Finance:**
 - First Interstate Bank Investment Account - Quarterly Report
- **Police:**
- **Legal:**
- **Economic Development:**

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Resolution NO. 2459 – Coal Board Crawford Water Main and Street

PUBLIC COMMENT: 3 minutes per person

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Vacancy Letters of Interest for Ward 2 – Due Friday, October 30, 2026 by 12:00 p.m.

Employee Anniversaries: Eugene Birdinground, 1 year; Moses Gonzales, 48 years; Markus Takes The Horse, 11 years; and Angela Zimmer, 11 years

City Website: hardinmontana.gov - email addresses @hardinmontana.gov

City Offices Closed: Tuesday, November 3, 2026 for Election Day

City Offices Closed: Wednesday, November 11, 2026 in Honor of Veterans Day

City Council Meeting: November 3, 2026 RESCHEDULED to Wednesday November 4, 2026 due to Election Day

Notice to Bid: Sewer/Stormwater Inspection Camera System – Due November 5, 2026 by 10:00 a.m.

City of Hardin Job Openings: Full-time: Police Officer

Meeting adjourned at _____ P.M.

AUDIO RECORDING ENDS

*Additions to the Agenda can be voted on by Council to add to the Agenda for the next Council meeting.
Agenda items will need to be submitted by Wednesday noon before a Tuesday Council meeting.*

Engineers Opinion of Probable Cost
City of Hardin
Crook Street
5-Oct-26



Item No.	Description	Est Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total Price
Scheduel A - General Requirements					
10	Mobilization/Demobilization	1	LS	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
20	SWPPP	1	LS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
30	Traffic Control	1	LS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Total Scheduel A - General Requirements					\$ 170,000.00
Schedule B- Water Main					
10	EXPLORATORY EXCAVATION	8	HR	\$ 500.00	\$ 4,000.00
20	8" C-900 PVC WATER MAIN	2500	LF	\$ 100.00	\$ 250,000.00
30	8" GATE VALVE & BOX	8	EA	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 36,000.00
40	WATER SERVICE WITH CURB STOP	44	EA	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 132,000.00
50	FIRE HYDRANT ASSEMBLY	8	EA	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 96,000.00
60	TEMPORARY WATER	1	LS	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
70	CONNECT TO EXISTING MAIN	2	EA	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
80	UTILITY CROSSINGS	1	EA	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
90	GEOTEXTILE FABRIC	3,000	SY	\$ 3.50	\$ 10,500.00
100	PIT RUN SUBBASE	1,200	CY	\$ 32.00	\$ 38,400.00
110	1-1/2" MINUS CRUSHED BASE COURSE	650	CY	\$ 45.00	\$ 29,250.00
120	3" TYPE B ASPHALT	3,000	SY	\$ 26.00	\$ 78,000.00
Total Schedule B- Water Main					\$ 741,150.00
Schedule C- Stormwater					
10	STORM INLETS	12	EA	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 96,000.00
20	12" STORM PIPE	1600	LF	\$ 100.00	\$ 160,000.00
Total Schedule C- Stormwater					\$ 256,000.00
Schedule D- Street Improvements					
10	EXCAVATION ABOVE SUBGRADGE	7,500	CY	\$ 20.00	\$ 150,000.00
20	SUB-EXCAVATION/REPLACEMENT	500	CY	\$ 40.00	\$ 20,000.00
30	GEOTEXTILE	9,000	SY	\$ 3.50	\$ 31,500.00
40	PIT RUN SUBBASE COURSE	4,000	CY	\$ 32.00	\$ 128,000.00
50	1-1/2" MINUS CRUSHED BASE COURSE	2,200	CY	\$ 45.00	\$ 99,000.00
60	3" ASPHALT	9,500	SY	\$ 26.00	\$ 247,000.00
70	CURB & GUTTER REPLACEMENT	2,500	LF	\$ 50.00	\$ 125,000.00
70	5' WIDE SIDEWALK	18,000	SF	\$ 10.00	\$ 180,000.00
80	ADA RAMPS	18	EA	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 36,000.00
Total Schedule D- Street Improvements					\$ 1,016,500.00
Total Estimated Construction Costs					\$ 2,183,650.00
Contingency 15%					\$ 327,547.50
Engineering					\$ 390,000.00
Total Estimate Project Costs					\$ 2,901,197.50

**THE COMMON COUNCIL
CITY of HARDIN, MONTANA**

COUNCIL MEETING: The Regular Council Meeting for October 6, 2026 was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with Council President Jeremy Krebs presiding by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following Aldermen were present: Steven Hopes, Clayton Greer, George Toyne, and Antonio Espinoza. Chris Sharpe was excused.

Also present: Finance Officer/City Clerk Andrew Lehr, Public Works Director Michael Hurff, Jr., Economic Development Director Tina Toyne, Deputy City Clerk Angela Zimmer, City Attorney Jordan Knudsen, Police Chief Benjamin Allen, and Officer Tyler Nedens.

Also present: Several Members of the Public

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS & CLAIMS: Greer motioned to approve the Council Minutes for September 15, 2026 as written. Toyne seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved. Hopes motioned to approve the Closed Meeting Minutes for September 1, 2026 as written. Greer seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved. Greer motioned to approve the Closed Meeting Minutes for September 15, 2026 as written. Hopes seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved. Greer motioned to approve the Budget Committee minutes as written for June 23, 2026. Hopes seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Greer made a motion to approve the claims for October 6, 2026.

	CLAIM No.	Monthly Total
July, 2026	34380	\$ 3,459.06
August, 2026	34381, 34383	\$ 4,306.15
September, 2026	34323, 34342-34378, 34382, 34384-34425, 34427-34429	\$ 133,592.71
TOTAL Submitted		\$ 141,537.92

Espinoza seconded the motion. On a voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: 3 minutes per person

Patrick Sargent, resident, asked for clarification on parked vehicles on the street. He asked if he would be able to ask now or have to wait for public comment at the end of the meeting. It was noted the Public Comment for items not on the agenda are at the end of the meeting.

MAYOR:

Council President Krebs read a letter aloud for Mayor Riley Ramsey. The letter welcomed Police Chief Benjamin Allen and extended gratitude to Interim Chief Tyler Nedens for his work during this time. He added Officer Nedens and Jake Kinder took on longer shifts and provided quality field training to two other officers. He extended a thank you to the County Sheriff's Department for helping with the coverage the City was not able to provide. The letter noted he is looking to plan a ceremony at City Hall so the public can hear more from Police Chief Benjamin Allen.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:
Personnel Policy/City Policy:**

Sewer & Water:

Hopes reported the water plant is doing good and the construction at the Wastewater Treatment Plant is going good.

Streets & Alleys:

Hopes reported the City Crew has pulled gutters and has been blading alleys.

Law Enforcement:

Parks & Playgrounds:

Krebs reported the park restrooms and the splash pad are closed and are being winterized.

Finance/Landfill:

Impact Fee Advisory:

Resolutions & Ordinances:

Economic Development:

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Council President Krebs reported the City received the following: A letter from Big Horn County Recreation; a letter from WWC Engineering; City-County Planning Board minutes from their meeting of August 10, 2026; and an invitation from the City-County Planning Board to attend a CTAP Workshop on October 14, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Knudsen reviewed the Big Horn County Hospital Agreement, Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release of Claims, to settle outstanding bills for those that have been sent to the jail. This will take care of bills up to the date it is executed. The City will make a payment of \$25,000 and then four payments of \$10,000 after that. He reported he, Mayor Ramsey, the attorney for the hospital, a hospital representative and the County Commissioners, have a meeting scheduled next week to discuss the County obligations under statute to pick up the remainder of the bill. He reviewed Montana Code; exclusions that apply to the City. Hopes motioned to approve the agreement. Greer seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Knudsen reviewed a proposed Interlocal Agreement for Dumpster Services between the City and Big Horn County. The agreement is to trade services; the County dumps the three City roll-off cans at the landfill container site, the agreement would make it possible for the County to dump five of their roll-off containers about once a year. Espinoza referenced the agreement asking if the five dumpsters would only be dumped once per year. Knudsen noted it can be changed. Espinoza pointed out there are five dumpsters at the landfill container, not three. Greer motioned to present the agreement to the County Commissioners with the corrections discussed. Hopes seconded. On a voice vote the motion passed. (3/1) Espinoza abstained.

Council President Krebs asked if a member Council is interested in being appointed to the Dispatch Board. There was discussion about meeting times. Knudsen noted that would be addressed in the bylaws of the board. Hopes motioned to appoint Alderman Toyne to the Dispatch Board. Greer seconded. On a voice vote the motion passed. (3/1) Espinoza abstained.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dax Simek, of Stahly Engineering, reviewed a cost estimate for a Comprehensive Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) for the City of Hardin. Stahly Engineering would facilitate and develop surveys and generate public comment for assessing community needs. The CIP would provide cost estimates and evaluate funding options to complete projects. He added a comprehensive CIP helps with ranking in grant evaluations. Greer motioned to approve the Capital Improvements Plan in the amount of \$55,000. Hopes seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Simek reviewed a proposed Development and Planning Fee Schedule. The comprehensive list shows fees the City can charge. Knudsen noted it is the first presentation to Council; Council can have a committee meeting to look at it more closely to decide what fees the City wants to adopt; some, all, or none. Hopes voiced to have a committee meeting to go line by line. Knudsen noted a special committee can be created for this project. Hopes motioned to table it until Mayor Ramsey gets back. There was further discussion. Greer seconded the motion to table. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Simek reported Northcon, Inc. Pay Application No. 15, in the amount of \$552,671.66, has been reviewed and they agree with the request. He provided an update on the progress of the construction for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project. Greer motioned to approve the claim. Hopes seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Greer motioned to approve an estimate from Desert Mountain in the amount of \$9,227.52 for ice-slicer. Hopes seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Alexandria Edwards, Project Manager for the City of Hardin, reviewed the proposal from Tetra Tech, in the amount of \$6,750, to perform special inspection and testing services for the landscaping of Phase 1 of the Big Horn Visitor Center. Krebs asked if this was in the original plan. Lehr reported it is and Big Horn County contributed funds for the original geotechnical report; the remainder of the funds will go to this. Greer motioned to approve Tetra Tech. Hopes seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Lehr noted there was a meeting with Langlas & Associates, attended by Council Members Krebs, Hopes, and Toyne, to put together a change order if the City were to add back the Temporary Water at the Visitor Information Center. The liability then transfers all on the contractors/subcontractors. The Pilot Committee met and has decided to re-allocate some of their funds within the grant to cover this with contingency and the money re-allocated. Lehr reviewed points of the meeting with Langlas & Associates. He added they need to know as soon as possible. Krebs voiced his concern of the cost to run the pipe, seed, etc. and noted he did his own research. Edwards reported there was a bidding process for this and this was the lowest bidder. Krebs provided more information on his research. Lehr noted there is a year warranty; the City would have liability if the City does it; we are on the hook for it. If they do it, they have to fix it. Toyne asked if the temporary watering can be left permanent. Edwards noted it can be left in. Lehr, Krebs, and Knudsen addressed questions by Toyne about the gas line to be moved by Montana Dakota Utilities. Espinoza asked if the deadline was November. Edwards noted they want to have the project done before Thanksgiving. Espinoza asked if there is a deadline for Phase 2 to start. Edwards noted there has not been any timelines set for that. Lehr noted the grant runs out May 31, 2027; the funds need to be spent by then. Espinoza motioned to accept this. Hopes seconded, adding he wants the warranty package on it. There was further discussion. Krebs noted the City could do the work. Espinoza pointed out the City is short-handed later adding if the seed doesn't take, it would affect phase 2. Lehr noted this would have to be completed before the second phase. Krebs reported it has been moved and seconded to approve the temporary water system. Krebs noted he thinks the \$60,000 is ridiculous; he thinks the City can get a permanent sprinkler system in there and seeded for the price the City is getting native grass and a temporary one pipe sprinkler system. On a voice vote the motion failed. (1/3) Espinoza voting Aye, and Greer, Hopes and Toyne voting against. Espinoza asked if there was still discussion. Knudsen noted there can be another motion. Espinoza noted if they go back to bid, it holds back the project even more. There was further discussion about the project. It was pointed out the contractor would be responsible for the project. Knudsen noted they would warrant their work; this is a construction warranty, just because they are assuming the task of planting the grass does not mean they are assuming liability on the property. Toyne noted they will be in compliance with DEQ. Carole Fox asked if they are responsible for getting this grass growing, why do we have to pay for a temporary watering system. Espinoza noted it was originally inside the price and we asked for it to be removed and now we are asking for it to come back in. Espinoza voiced he is making another motion to approve this. Toyne seconded. The voice vote was unclear, Zimmer asked for an individual vote. Hopes, Greer, Toyne, Espinoza voting aye. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Edwards reviewed a Customer Agreement with NorthWestern Energy, in the amount of \$6,909, to install power to the Visitor Information Center site. The cost is included in the grant. The Agreement includes a Utility Easement. Knudsen noted he reviewed it; it is a standard utility easement form. Greer motioned to approve the agreement. Hopes seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Council President Krebs reported the City received an estimate from Day and Night Concrete in the amount of \$7,622 to install a sidewalk at the Plaza. Edwards reported the City of Hardin was awarded an AARP grant in the amount of \$15,000; the grant was used to put in an ADA ramp at the Plaza. The City will be putting in a sidewalk that will go to bathrooms in the Plaza; the City also received a grant for the bathrooms through the Montana Department of Commerce. It was noted the City received two bids for this project. Toyne motioned to accept the bid from Day and Night Concrete. Espinoza seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Council President Krebs reported a bid was received from Braaton Construction, in the amount of \$10,911, to build a Gear Room at the Police Department. (Espinoza stepped out at 8:06 p.m.) Officer Tyler Nedens reported it is the same company that did the evidence room. It was noted the project is under the amount budgeted. Greer motioned to approve. Hopes seconded.

(Espinoza returned 8:07 p.m.) Krebs noted it was motioned and seconded to accept the bid. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Hurff reported there is a large area of blacktop at Railway and Custer Avenue that needs to be replaced. He noted Wharton Asphalt will be in town; they submitted a contract in the amount of \$7,308. Hurff reviewed the dimensions of the area to be replaced. Hopes motioned to approve the contract. Greer seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Hurff provided an overview of a quote received from Wharton Asphalt, in the amount of \$26,006.50 to overlay a portion of Vanzandt Road. There was discussion about the exact location. Hurff reported Wharton will be in town working with the County for a patch over on Vanzandt Road. Hopes voiced there are other streets in worse shape. Espinoza noted it is a good price for an overlay. Hurff reported he received two more bids; one for \$84,500 and the other \$69,500. Espinoza asked about the obligations of the City and obligations of the County. Hurff addressed them. Greer motioned to approve the amount up to \$26,000. Toyne seconded. On a voice vote the motion failed. (2/2) Hopes voting Nay, Espinoza abstained, Toyne and Greer voting Yes. Zimmer requested a voice vote. Hopes voted Nay, Greer voting Yea, Toyne voting Yea, with Espinoza abstaining. Council President Krebs voiced there is no majority, the motion fails. Greer asked what the time frame is on this. Espinoza reported they are planning to start paving next week, getting it done before it freezes. Hopes asked Knudsen if he can change his vote. Greer motioned to repeat his motion approve the Vandzant overlay in the amount of \$26,006.50. Toyne seconded. On a voice vote the motion passed. (3/1) Espinoza abstained.

Lehr reported the Council Meeting of November 3, 2026 is on Election Day. It has been brought before Council to decide if they would like to move the meeting or have it the same day. Toyne noted he is out of town Monday and Wednesday. Espinoza motioned to switch the Meeting to Wednesday, November 4, 2026, after Election Day. Hopes seconded. On a voice vote the motion passed. (3/0) there was no vote heard from Toyne.

STAFF REPORTS:

Public Works:

Hurff reported two employees attended a Snow Rodeo training in Lewistown. Shawndae Old Elk, City Mechanic, received a certificate for Top First Timers Snow Plow Operator and a second place certificate for Snow Plow Operator in the class.

Finance:

Lehr reported the budget has been submitted to the state for fiscal year 26/27; the Lodge Grass project is over, the City is wrapping up details for the final payment; and the city received the first reimbursement of the Pilot Grant for this fiscal year in the amount of approximately \$60,000. Lehr noted he would like to create a committee to discuss the storm water fund and fees for the next fiscal year. There was a meeting with Stahly Engineering to discuss this. The process will need to get going now to have public input.

Lehr reported there is a state code regarding the stipend amount that can be paid in a year to the Volunteer Fire Department Fire Chief and the First Assistant Chief. There will be an upcoming Resolution to make sure the stipend only goes up to \$3,000 in a year.

Lehr reported the City would like to apply for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to redo four and a half blocks of Crook Avenue. The City received an estimate from Stahly Engineering; the estimate could be more or less depending on the bid timing etc. The cost would be just over three million dollars. The water main would be replaced, with the estimated cost of \$741,000. If the CDBG is awarded for the street, some of it can be allocated to the water fund. Lehr reviewed the estimated costs to the different funds. The project will not go to bid until next year. His thoughts are to apply for a Coal Board Grant or a Renewable Resource Grant, this would possibly push the project back another year.

Police:

Council President Krebs introduced Police Chief Benjamin Allen. Chief Allen reported one officer is currently in the academy and Officer Sederes is currently in field training. He, Officer Tyler Nedens, and Officer Jake Kinder qualified at the range today. Chief Allen reported he is looking to have a stat report at the next meeting.

Legal:

Economic Development:

Tina Toyne, Economic Development Director, reported she attended the Governor’s Tourism Conference in Great Falls and the Montana Economic Development Association Conference in Sidney; she participated in a MEDA Lunch and Learn; she attended the Visit Southeast Montana Executive Board meeting, she participated in an interview with Voices of Montana about Hardin and our tourism grant work; and she interviewed by KTVQ about a community event. The Wayfinding Implementation Project remains a priority; there were no bids received. She is following up with potential contractors. Tyne reported she and Lehr met with Dohn Sterhan of CR Builders LLC to discuss potential housing development opportunities in Hardin.

RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES:

Resolution NO. 2457 - Appointing Chief of Police and Establishing Wages as a Non-Union Employee for FY 2026/2027. Greer motioned to approve the resolution. Espinoza seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution NO. 2458 - Authorizing Submission of Community Block Grant for Replacement of Water Main in Crook Avenue. Toyne motioned to proceed with the resolution. Greer seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: 3 minutes per person

Patrick Sargent, resident, asked for clarification of vehicles on the street that are non-running. His street is notorious for extended parking of vehicles that don’t run. Knudsen reported vehicles parked is five days, if it is an obvious junk vehicle it is three days. Knudsen encouraged him to fill out a complaint form for the Code Enforcement Officer or Police Department so they will know exactly where to look.

Corrina Kirschenmann-Kuntz noted the City-County Planning Board has invited the City and County to a CTAP Training, provided by the Montana Department of Commerce, scheduled for Wednesday, October 14th at 5:30 p.m.

Carole Fox asked if there was a Jake Brake ordinance. The City Code will be looked into.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The new City Website is hardinmontana.gov and all City email addresses use the same prefix with hardinmontana.gov. City Offices are closed Monday, October 12, 2026 for Columbus Day. The Hardin Community Blood Drive is scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 2026 from 1:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at First Alliance Church.

City of Hardin Job Openings: Full-time positions: Police Officer

It was announced that Alley Clean-Up is scheduled for Monday, October 19, 2026.

Greer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. Espinoza seconded. On a voice vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Jeremy Krebs, Council President – Acting Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrew Lehr, Finance Officer/City Clerk



CITY OF HARDIN CLAIMS APPROVAL REPORT

Submitted for City Council Approval

October 20, 2026

Month	CLAIM No.	Monthly Total
August, 2026	34483	\$3,699.31
September, 2026	34431-34432, 34434, 34437, 34457, 34459-34460, 34462, 34480-34481, 34485-34486	\$333,038.91
October, 2026	34435-34436, 34438-34449, 34451-34454, 34456, 34458, 34461, 34463-34470, 34472-34479, 34482, 34484	\$689,785.26
TOTAL Submitted		\$1,026,523.48

Claims or Expenditures over \$5,000

per Resolution #2189

Vendor	Purpose	Check #	Amount
United States Department of Agric.	USDA RD Debt Payment September 2026	-99173	\$6,024.00
Axon Enterprise, Inc	Vehicle Cameras	-99170	\$21,910.58
Stahly Engineering & Associates	WW Ph 2-3 Project Engineering	43226	\$50,139.83
Langlas & Associates, Inc.	Pay App #1 Visitor Center Landscaping	43231	\$240,293.31
Millenium Electric		43217	\$5,230.85
Doresey & Whitney	Bond Counsel for Waste Water Project	99169	\$40,000.00
United States Department of Agric.	USDA RD Debt Payment October 2026	99172	\$6,024.00
<i>Approved Previously at October 6, 2026 Meeting</i>			
Montana Department of Revenue	Contractor Gross Receipts Northcon pay app 15	-99174	\$5,582.54
Northcon, Inc	Pay App #15 WW Upgrade Project	-99164	\$552,671.66
<i>Approved Previously at October 6, 2026 Meeting</i>			
Big Horn Hospital Association	Settlement Agreement Pymt #1	43200	\$25,000.00
<i>Approved Previously at October 6, 2026 Meeting</i>			
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	Power to Visitor Information Center	99171	\$6,909.00
<i>Exempt from Resolution 2189</i>			
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	Electric Utilities	43219	\$22,195.76

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CITY OF HARDIN
Claims Report

For the Accounting Period: October, 2026

Vendor	Type	Claim #	Check #	Amount
BAMBOOHR LLC	CL	34435	-99166	\$866.02
ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT	CL	34436	-99167	\$3,459.06
NORTHCON, INC	CL	34438	-99164	\$552,671.66
AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	CL	34439	43196	\$65.40
HARDIN DO IT BEST	CL	34440	43212	\$514.17
HARDIN BUILDING CENTER	CL	34441	43211	\$68.21
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC	CL	34442	43207	\$517.00
TREVOR LAUTT	CL	34443	43228	\$137.08
TORGERSON'S	CL	34444	43227	\$446.20
GALLS, LLC	CL	34445	43209	\$84.92
PINE RIDGE FABRICATION LLC	CL	34446	43221	\$120.00
BIG SKY EXPRESS WASH	CL	34447	43201	\$12.60
SCL Medical Group - Billings LLC	CL	34448	43224	\$60.00
BIG HORN COUNTY ELECTRIC	CL	34449	43198	\$2,543.49
ECOLAB INC	CL	34451	43206	\$100.07
MILLENNIUM ELECTRIC	CL	34452	43217	\$5,230.85
HANSER'S WRECKER HARDIN INC	CL	34453	43210	\$150.00
DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP	CL	34454	-99169	\$40,000.00
BIG HORN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION	CL	34456	43200	\$25,000.00
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CL	34458	-99172	\$6,024.00
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	CL	34461	-99171	\$6,909.00
Railroad Management Company III, LLC	CL	34463	43222	\$1,368.81
ROCKING R ELECTRIC LLC.	CL	34464	43223	\$3,800.00
DAY AND NIGHT CONCRETE, LLC	CL	34465	43203	\$2,600.00
HEALTHEQUITY	CL	34466	-99162	\$106.53
MT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	CL	34467	43218	\$2,614.00
HD SUPPLY FACILITIES MAINTENANCE LTD	CL	34468	43213	\$107.98
* CASH	CL	34469	43195	\$144.45
CHURCHILL EQUIPMENT CO INC	CL	34470	43202	\$63.11
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	CL	34472	43225	\$1,326.04
IN CONTROL, INC	CL	34473	43214	\$1,569.25
STAPLES	CL	34474	-99161	\$543.66
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	CL	34475	43219	\$22,195.76
MATOVICH OIL CO.	CL	34476	43216	\$1,837.50
SAFEGUARD BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	CL	34477	-99165	\$696.41
ORLENE HOWE	CL	34478	43220	\$38.92
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE	CL	34479	43229	\$500.00
Division of Criminal Investigation	CL	34482	43205	\$2,210.11
DESTINATIONIQ	CL	34484	43230	\$3,083.00
Monthly Total				\$689,785.26

CITY OF HARDIN

Check Report

October 20, 2026

Vendor	Type	Claim #	Check #	Amount
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	CL	34437	-99174	\$5,582.54
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CL	34457	-99173	\$6,024.00
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CL	34458	-99172	\$6,024.00
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	CL	34461	-99171	\$6,909.00
AXON ENTERPRISE, INC.	CL	34462	-99170	\$21,910.58
DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP	CL	34454	-99169	\$40,000.00
DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP	CL	34459	-99168	\$630.00
ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT	CL	34436	-99167	\$3,459.06
BAMBOOHR LLC	CL	34435	-99166	\$866.02
SAFEGUARD BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	CL	34477	-99165	\$696.41
NORTHCON, INC	CL	34438	-99164	\$552,671.66
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	CL	34486	-99163	\$2,427.21
HEALTHEQUITY	CL	34466	-99162	\$106.53
STAPLES	CL	34474	-99161	\$543.66
* CASH	CL	34469	43195	\$144.45
AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	CL	34439	43196	\$65.40
APA BENEFITS INC	CL	34434	43197	\$35.00
BIG HORN COUNTY ELECTRIC	CL	34449	43198	\$2,543.49
BIG HORN COUNTY TREASURER	CL	34431	43199	\$707.09
BIG HORN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION	CL	34456	43200	\$25,000.00
BIG SKY EXPRESS WASH	CL	34447	43201	\$12.60
CHURCHILL EQUIPMENT CO INC	CL	34470	43202	\$63.11
DAY AND NIGHT CONCRETE, LLC	CL	34465	43203	\$2,600.00
DIS TECHNOLOGIES	CL	34432	43204	\$741.72
Division of Criminal Investigation	CL	34482	43205	\$2,210.11
ECOLAB INC	CL	34451	43206	\$100.07
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC	CL	34442	43207	\$517.00
FIRST INTERSTATE BANK WM	CL	34460	43208	\$3,159.88
GALLS, LLC	CL	34445	43209	\$84.92
HANSER'S WRECKER HARDIN INC	CL	34453	43210	\$150.00
HARDIN BUILDING CENTER	CL	34441	43211	\$68.21
HARDIN DO IT BEST	CL	34440	43212	\$514.17
HD SUPPLY FACILITIES MAINTENANCE LTD	CL	34468	43213	\$107.98
IN CONTROL, INC	CL	34473	43214	\$1,569.25
LITHIA MOTORS SUPPORT SERVICES	CL	34483	43215	\$3,699.31
MATOVICH OIL CO.	CL	34476	43216	\$1,837.50
MILLENNIUM ELECTRIC	CL	34452	43217	\$5,230.85
MT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	CL	34467	43218	\$2,614.00
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	CL	34475	43219	\$22,195.76
ORLENE HOWE	CL	34478	43220	\$38.92
Page Total				\$723,861.46

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CITY-COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

CITY OF HARDIN / BIG HORN COUNTY



PO Box 305

HARDIN MT 59034-0305

City County Planning Board Meeting

Date: September 28th, 2026

Location: City Chambers

Time: 7:00 PM

Absent: Michael Ebert, Bill Hodges, Karleen Jacobs-Pitsch

Vacant Seat(s): N/A

1. Call to Order Regular Meeting(7:00 PM)

The regular meeting of the City-County Planning Board was called to order at **7:00 PM** by the acting chairwoman Corrina Kuntz-Kirschenmann. Notice of absentees recorded.

2. Approval of Minutes for 8/10/2026

- Motion: Taylor Sidwell
 - Second: Brian Seely
 - **Approved unanimously at 7:00pm on 9/28/2026.**
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3. Financial Statement(s) (June & August 2026) & Bills to be Paid

- **Approved unanimously at 7:02pm (financial statements) & 7:03pm (bills to be paid) on 9/28/2026.**
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4. Old Business

4.1 Brownfield Study Update from City & County:

Email has been sent out by the Secretary to all Board Members, with the details of the work Beartooth RCND has provided for the Brownfield studies in the City and County. This information was given to the Board at the meeting on 8/10/2026 by Nan Knight with Beartooth RCND.

4.2 Discussion: Variance Request:

City Council has accepted the recommendations of this board and has declined Debra Lee Hill-Scott's variance request as written. The request has been withdrawn and she will stay in touch with the Building Inspector/Code Enforcement & Mr. Mandeville.

4.3 Discussion: Revision to the City of Hardin Zoning Ordinance:

The City Council has accepted the recommendations of the board and has noted the previous vote of 4/2 by Council on 6/2/26 to keep the limit at two dispensaries within City limits and keep the same ordinances. No further updates.

5. New Business**5.1 Date & Time for Board to Meet with Jacob in Regards to CTAP:**

The CTAP Training Meeting will be held on October 14, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Chambers. The Mayor, City Council, and County Commissioners will be invited to attend. Board members will continue sending invitations to local leaders. Mr. Mandeville will participate via Zoom. Meeting packets will be distributed by Karla Roods and Corrina Kirschenmann-Kuntz.

5.2 Terms for Mayor & City Council Appointed Board-Members: Karla Roods & Michael Ebert:

The terms of Karla Roods and Michael Ebert expire in December 2026. A request for letters of interest will be sent to both individuals before December's meeting.

5.3 Mill Information & 2026 Certified Taxable Valuation Information:

Approved unanimously at 7:16pm on 9/28/2026. The Board requested that this matter be placed on the agenda for August 2027 to allow for discussion and a vote on the 2027 Certified Taxable Valuation Information. Further discussion regarding mill levies will take place at a future meeting.

5.4 MAP Convention Highlights: Karla Roods & Bill Hodges:

Karla, Bill And Forrest attended the MAP Convention in Dillon. Karla shared insights from a recent planning conference, highlighting the Montana Commerce website's resources and the importance of planning for energy sources like solar, wind, and nuclear. She suggested the planning board consider working with the mayor and city council on future energy planning, including addressing decommissioning and cleanup of existing non-operational energy facilities in the area. Forrest discussed remediation requirements for energy projects, explaining that larger projects like wind and solar farms now require remediation plans and bonding through the state, while smaller projects built before these rules were implemented are not subject to the same requirements. The board agreed to add ex parte communication disclosure to their meeting agenda papers and discussed inviting the building code inspector to future meetings for periodic updates.

6. Announcements/Discussions:

- Further discussion of the Maverick plan: Traffic study by MDT, concern of entrance and exit locations, City of Hardin acceptance of the Road Right of Way in 2023 to the Lynda Ln, the condition of Lynda Ln.
- Copies (pdfs) of the City Growth Policy, City Growth Management Plan & Visitor Center Updates have been distributed to Board Members via email. Paper copies will not be handed out to save on cost. The County Growth Policy will be sent out once the Secretary has received it from the County. If any members have trouble accessing the files, reach out to the Secretary.
- **City Council Meeting:** 10/5/2026 at 6:30pm in the City Chambers
- **City Council Meeting:** 10/15/2026 at 6:30pm in the City Chambers
- **CTAP Training Meeting:** 10/14/2026 at 5:30pm in the City Chamber
- **Next Meeting for CCPB:** 10/12/2026

7. Adjournment

- Motion: Larry Vandersloot
- Second: Taylor Sidwell
- **The meeting was adjourned at 7:48pm on 9/28/2026.**

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OCT 13 2026

Mayor Riley Ramsey
406 N. Cheyenne Ave.
Hardin, MT 59034
hardinmayor@hardinmt.com

October 13, 2026

Dear Mayor Ramsey;

I am writing to inform you that I am resigning from my position on the City Council effective October 31, 2026.

It has been my honor to serve on the council and represent our community. A privilege to work with all who are striving to do the best for the city of Hardin. I would like to express my gratitude for the opportunities and experiences I have had while serving on the council.

Many best wishes to the City Council for continued success in their efforts to better serve our community.

Sincerely;



Clayton Greer

Langlas & Associates, Inc.
2685 Gabel Rd
Billings, Montana 59102
Phone: (406) 656-0629

Project: 26017 - Hardin Visitor Center - Phase 1
928 North Mitchell Ave
Hardin, Montana 59034

Prime Contract Potential Change Order #003: Irrigation Canal Culvert Replacement

TO:	City of Hardin MT 406 N. Cheyenne Ave Hardin, Montana 59034	FROM:	Langlas & Associates, Inc. 2685 Gabel Rd Billings, Montana 59102
PCO NUMBER/REVISION:	003 / 0	CONTRACT:	1 - Hardin Visitor Center Phase #1
REQUEST RECEIVED FROM:	Michael Hurff (City of Hardin MT)	CREATED BY:	Branden Morley (Langlas & Associates, Inc.)
STATUS:	Pending - In Review	CREATED DATE:	10/2/2026
REFERENCE:		PRIME CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER:	None
FIELD CHANGE:	No		
LOCATION:		ACCOUNTING METHOD:	Amount Based
SCHEDULE IMPACT:	15 days	PAID IN FULL:	No
EXECUTED:	No	SIGNED CHANGE ORDER RECEIVED DATE:	
		TOTAL AMOUNT:	\$35,672.27
TYPE:	Contract Change		

POTENTIAL CHANGE ORDER TITLE: Irrigation Canal Culvert Replacement

CHANGE REASON: Owner Request

POTENTIAL CHANGE ORDER DESCRIPTION: *(The Contract Is Changed As Follows)*

CE #003 - Irrigation Canal Culvert Replacement

The 60" culvert on the north side of the project that goes under Vanzandt Rd is failing, and the owner has requested a cost estimate to replace the culvert and patch the road as needed.

PCO #003 - Irrigation Canal Culvert Replacement

This Potential Change Order is in place to add the cost of work to replace the 60" culvert that runs under the road to the north side of the site and to patch the road as needed for the replacement of the culvert. The Owner will provide a pump and hoses for transferring water away from the installation if needed. See the attached RFQ for further details on the scope of work for the culvert replacement. This price requires that the work be done this fall while utility and asphalt work is still in process at the Hardin Maverick Gas Station project.

ATTACHMENTS:

[RFQ 10-13-26.pdf](#)

#	Budget Code	Description	Amount
1	32-3200.S SITE CONTRACTOR.Commitment	Mobilization - Equipment/Traffic Control/Incidentals	\$3,310.00
2	32-3200.S SITE CONTRACTOR.Commitment	New CMP Culvert- 60" Dia. x 48' Long	\$23,070.00
3	32-3200.S SITE CONTRACTOR.Commitment	Asphalt Repair- 2,400sf of Gravel Base and 5" Pavement	\$6,120.00
4	01-0180.L PROJECT MANAGER.Labor	Project Manager- Time	\$720.00
5	01-0156.M TRUCK FUEL/ TRAVEL COST.Materials	Project Management- Material	\$118.56
Subtotal:			\$33,338.56
General Liability Insurance (1.00%):			\$333.39
Construction Manager Fee (5.00%):			\$1,666.93
Bonding (1.00%):			\$333.39
Grand Total:			\$35,672.27



PCO #003

Millie Bennett (Cushing Terrell - Billings)
13 N 23rd St
Billings, Montana 59101

City of Hardin MT
406 N. Cheyenne Ave
Hardin, Montana 59034

Langlas & Associates, Inc.
2685 Gabel Rd
Billings, Montana 59102

SIGNATURE DATE

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OCT 15 2026

October 8, 2026

City of Hardin
Hardin, MT 59034

RE: Hardin Visitor Center
Pay Application Cover Letter

Total earned less retainage	242,720.52
1% Montana contractor tax	<u>(2,427.21)</u>
Total due this pay request	<u><u>\$ 240,293.31</u></u>

Sincerely,

Catherine Bergman



MONTANA
CGR-2
Rev 01-10

1% Contractor's Gross Receipts Gross Receipts Withholding Return

Form CGR-2 is required to be completed and mailed to the Department of Revenue within 30 days after each payment is made to the prime contractor or subcontractor.

1.	Contract awarded by: Enter the federal employer identification number, business name and address. Place an "X" in the "Government Entity" box if you are remitting the 1% contractor's gross receipts payment on behalf of a prime contractor. Place an "X" in the "Prime Contractor" box if you are allocating the 1% contractor's gross receipts from your prime contractor's account to your subcontractor's account. Government Entity ☒ Prime Contractor ☐		
	Federal Identification Number (FEIN) 81-6001271		
	Name City of Hardin		
	Address 406 N. Cheyenne Ave		
	City Hardin	State MT	Zip Code 59034
2.	Contract awarded to: Enter the federal employer identification number, business name and address. Place an "X" in the "Prime Contractor" box if you are remitting the 1% contractor's gross receipts on behalf of a prime contractor. Place an "X" in the "Subcontractor" box if you are allocating the 1% contractor's gross receipts from your prime contractor's account to your subcontractor's account. Prime Contractor ☒ Subcontractor ☐		
	Federal Identification Number (FEIN) 42-1037529		
	Name Langlas & Associates, Inc.		
	Address 2685 Gabel Road		
	City Billings	State MT	Zip Code 59102
3.	Enter the Government Issued Purchase Order Number here. 3.		City of Hardin Visitor Ctr
4.	Enter the contract award date here. 4.		03 / 03 /20 26
5.	Enter the month and year this payment was earned. 5.		09 /20 26
6.	Enter the gross dollar amount due to the prime contractor or subcontractor here. 6.		\$ 242,720.52
7.	Multiply the amount on line 6 by 1% (.01) and enter the result here. This is your 1% Contractor's Gross Receipts 7.		\$ 2,427.21
8.	Subtract line 7 from line 6 and enter the result here: This is the net amount paid to the prime contractor or subcontractor 8.		\$ 240,293.31
9.	Check the box below that identifies the type of return you are filing and enter the date the payment was made to the prime contractor or subcontractor.....9. ____/____/20____ 9(a) ☒ I am enclosing the amount reported on line 7 for credit to my prime contractor's account. 9(b) ☐ I am allocating the amount reported on line 7 for credit to my subcontractor's account.		
10.	Enter a description of the work performed under this contract. Construction of Hardin Visitor Center		
11.	Enter the location in Montana where this work is performed. Be specific with your description. Hardin, MT		

Withholding return submitted by: Select the appropriate box identifying which entity is completing this return; sign this return and enter the information requested below.

Government Entity ☒

Prime Contractor ☐

Subcontractor ☐

Preparer's Signature

Preparer's Title

Date

Telephone Number

Fax Number

Please mail this registration to:
Department of Revenue, P.O. Box 5835, Helena, MT 59604-5835

APPLICATION AND CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT

To (OWNER): CITY OF HARDIN
406 N. CHEYENNE AVE
HARDIN, MT 59034

Project: HARDIN VISITOR CENTER
928 NORTH MITCHELL AVE
HARDIN, MT 59034

Application No: 1
Invoice No: 12692
Period To: 10/1/2026

From: LANGLAS & ASSOCIATES, INC.
2685 GABEL ROAD
BILLINGS, MT 59102

Via (Architect):

Architect's
Project No: 26017

Contract Date:

CONTRACTOR'S APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT

Application is made for payment, as shown below, in connection with the Contract. Continuation Sheet is attached.

CHANGE ORDER SUMMARY	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS
Approved previous months	0.00	0.00
Approved this month	18,331.00	18,331.00
TOTALS	18,331.00	18,331.00
Net change by change orders	0.00	

1. ORIGINAL CONTRACT SUM \$ 832,310.09
2. Net change by Change Orders \$ 0.00
3. CONTRACT SUM TO DATE (LINE 1+/-2) \$ 832,310.09
4. TOTAL COMPLETED & STORED TO DATE \$ 255,495.28
(Column G on Continuation Sheet)
5. RETAINAGE \$ 12,774.76
6. TOTAL EARNED LESS RETAINAGE \$ 242,720.52
(Line 4 less Line 5)
7. LESS PREVIOUS CERTIFICATES FOR PAYMENT \$ 0.00
(Line 6 from prior Certificate)
8. SALES TAX \$ 0.00
9. CURRENT PAYMENT DUE \$ 242,720.52
10. BALANCE TO FINISH, PLUS RETAINAGE \$ 589,589.57
(Line 3 less Line 6)

The undersigned Contractor certifies that to the best of the Contractor's knowledge, information and belief the Work covered by this Application for Payment has been completed in accordance with the Contract Documents, that all amounts have been paid by the Contractor for Work for which previous Certificates for Payment were issued and payment received from the Owner, and that current payment shown herein is now due.

CONTRACTOR: LANGLAS & ASSOCIATES, INC.

By: [Signature] Date: 10/08/2026

State of: Montana County of: Gallatin
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of October 2026



ARCHITECT'S CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT

In accordance with the Contract Documents, based on on-site observations and the data comprising the above application, the Architect certifies to the Owner that to the best of the Architect's knowledge, information and belief the work has progressed as indicated, the quality of the Work is in accordance with the Contract Documents, and the Contractor is entitled to payment of the AMOUNT CERTIFIED.

ARCHITECT:

By **Kevin Nelson**
Digitally signed by Kevin Nelson
DN: E=Kevin.Nelson@cushingterrell.com,
OU=Users, OU=Biggs,
CN=Kevin Nelson, DC=net,
DC=biggs, DC=mt

Date 10.13.2026

This Certificate is not negotiable. The AMOUNT CERTIFIED is payable only to the Contractor named herein. Issuance, payment and acceptance of payment are without prejudice to any rights of the Owner or Contractor under this Contract.

AMOUNT CERTIFIED: \$240,293.31 (Total due less 1% MT Contractor tax)
(Attach explanation if amount certified differs from the amount applied for.)

CONTINUATION SHEET

APPLICATION AND CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT, containing Contractor's signed Certification is attached.

Application Number: 1
Application Date: 10/8/2026
Period To: 10/1/2028
Architect's Project No: 26017

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION OF WORK	SCHEDULED VALUE	WORK BILLED FROM PREV APPLICATION (D+E+F)	WORK BILLED THIS PERIOD	MATERIALS STORED THIS PERIOD	TOTAL COMPLETED AND STORED TO DATE (D+E+F)	% (G/ C)	RETAINAGE
01	GENERAL CONDITIONS	95,254.79	0.00	42,864.66	0.00	42,864.66	45	2,143.23
01A	CLEANING	2,350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
26	ELECTRICAL	41,017.00	0.00	13,535.61	0.00	13,535.61	33	676.78
32	EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS	21,113.00	0.00	6,967.29	0.00	6,967.29	33	348.36
32AB	EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS	380,615.00	0.00	171,276.75	0.00	171,276.75	45	8,563.84
32C	LANDSCAPING	227,293.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
100	CM FEE ,BOND, CONTINGENCY	46,335.48	0.00	20,850.97	0.00	20,850.97	45	1,042.55
33	CONTINGENCY	18,331.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
		832,310.09	0.00	255,495.28	0.00	255,495.28	31	12,774.76



LIEN WAIVER AND RECEIPT

UPON THE RECEIPT OF \$242,720.52 THE UNDERSIGNED DOES
HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE PAYMENT IN FULL FOR MATERIALS
AND/OR LABOR FURNISHED TO AND INCLUDING THE DATE OF
SEPTEMBER 30, 2026 AND DOES HEREBY RELINQUISH AND
DISCLAIM ANY RIGHT OR CLAIM FOR A LIEN UNDER THE LAWS
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA FOR ANY MATERIALS AND/OR
LABOR THAT THE UNDERSIGNED HAS FURNISHED TO SAID DATE
ON THE HARDIN VISITOR CENTER 26017 PROJECT
DATED THIS 8TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2026

NAME OF FIRM:

Langlas & Associates, Inc.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:



City of Hardin
Michael Hurff
406 N Cheyenne Avenue
Hardin, MT 59034

Date: October 14, 2026
Phone: 406-665-9260
Email: publicworks@hardinmontana.gov

Diving Services for Potable Water Tank Cleaning and Inspection

Tanks	Tank Description	Additional Information	Scope of Work Includes
1	180KG Clearwell Below-Grade, Concrete 120' L x 20' W x 10' Dp	All Discharge water will be de-chlorinated upon request. All Discharge water and sediment may be released onto the ground.	<u>Clean and Inspection.</u> Up to three (3) inches of sediment removal from the tank floor. Visual inspection of the interior and exterior of the tank. Written .pdf report with photos. and a Video of the dive.
2	Intake Screens	Screens are located approximately 5' feet from shore and 8' deep.	<u>Diving services to remove 2 intake screens and then re-install screens after City of Hardin personnel clean the screens</u>
<u>Proposal Total: \$7,495.00</u> The price listed above is valid for 90 days from date shown. Proposal Total reflects our minimum day rate of \$3,747.50 which includes time and mobilization to and from the project site, set-up and breakdown of equipment, and the preparation for the dive and diving services. ** If the removal of sediment of an abnormal consistency (clay, calcium, rocks, pebbles, mud, etc.) and/or the removal of sediment over 3 inches from the floor prevents the scope of work from being completed in the allowed Two-day time frame these services will be performed at the rate of \$3,747.50 per day with the written approval of the City of Hardin on-site representative. Proposals signed and returned to Inland Potable Services are valid for one year from date of acceptance.			

Payment terms: 1% Ten Days, Net 30 Days. 1.5% interest will be charged on all accounts past 30 days.

This contract is based on a total price which includes time and mobilization to and from the project site, set-up and breakdown of equipment, and the preparation for the dive and diving services. Diving services will include sediment removal up to 3 inches from the floor, a video inspection and written report for your records (still photos included). During the initial dive, sediment depths will be measured by the diver and documented on video.

Inland Potable Services, Inc. will provide all personnel and equipment necessary to provide diving services in the above referenced tank(s) or reservoir(s). We will provide your utility with a written report as well as a narrated color video for the services performed. The tank(s) or reservoir(s) will be inspected according to American Water Works Association (AWWA), NACE, SSPC, ASNT, ACI and AWS standards.

- All divers employed by Inland Potable Services are certified Commercial Divers.
- Inland Potable Services is fully bondable and insured.
- All equipment entering the tanks will be disinfected with a minimum of 200 ppm Chlorine.
- Schedule dates are tentative and are subject to change.
- If Inland Potable Services dive team is required to stop working or is delayed working due to unforeseen circumstances or any reasons beyond our control (i.e. no utility personnel onsite, inability to access designated work site, low water level, etc.) a down-time charge of \$600.00 per hour will be charged.
- A fee based on \$600.00 per hour will be charged if we are unable to get our truck and trailer to a tank location. We will use portable dive gear and cleaning equipment to complete the job. Please understand that use of utility vehicles or equipment may be necessary to get our equipment to a tank.
- Inland Potable Services makes every attempt to obtain complete information from customers prior to the presentation of bids concerning fees required for municipal licenses, registration fees, Sales Tax or Use Taxes in your area. These items are identified on your contract. In the event that additional fees are discovered or charged, after the bid has been submitted, these charges will be added to the stated contract amount when billed.

Paul Click, Regional Account Manager

Date: October 14, 2026

Important Information

***Customers shall ensure that all conditions necessary for the work to be performed are established and maintained, including, as applicable, filling the tank to the overflow level, maintaining the required water level, clearing and providing access to designated work areas, unlocking required gates, and establishing any other operational conditions reasonably necessary for the work. Customer is responsible for ensuring that all 5G cellular equipment shutdown is completed prior to our arrival.**

If the above conditions are not met prior to our arrival, the Contract Price will be due in full regardless of whether the job is completed. An additional day rate of \$3,747.50 will apply for each day required to complete the work once the required conditions are met.

Hatch Size - The entry hatch on top of the tank must be at least 20 inches in diameter or square with no obstructions that would prevent entry. A futile trip charge of \$500.00 will be levied if the team is unable to enter the tank due to the hatch size being too small or objects are blocking the entry.

Water Level - Please understand, the water level within the tank must be within ten (10) feet or less of the hatch opening prior to the dive team's arrival. If the air gap is more than 10 feet, a fee of \$600.00 per hour will be charged until the water reaches the appropriate level.

Tank Information - Please verify the type of tank, dimensions or information listed in the proposal is accurate. If the tank dimensions or information is not accurate as listed then additional costs may be added.

Completion Date - With acceptance this work will be completed at a mutually acceptable date within one year. If money budgeted for this work must be used by a specific date, please indicate the date on this line and every attempt will be made to meet the given date: _____

Option - If a hatch gasket (\$125.00), a #24 mesh vent screen (\$75) and/or a lock for the hatch (\$25) is needed, would you like the dive team to install while on-site? Yes ☐ No ☐

Fuel Surcharge - Effective March 1, 2026 a fuel surcharge of \$50.00 per day will be added to this contract, if the price of diesel fuel exceeds \$4.00 per gallon on the date of the contract completion.

Final Invoice to be sent to - _____

To accept, please sign and date the proposal. Please fax both pages to 303-400-4215 or scan and email them to me at paul@inlandpotableservices.com.

Printed Name and Title

Signature

Date: _____

Crawford Street Reconstruction and Water Main Replacement
(QUARTERLY PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE)

Task	2026 Quarters				2027 Quarters			
	1st J-F-M	2nd A-M-J	3rd J-A-S	4th O-N-D	1st J-F-M	2nd A-M-J	3rd J-A-S	4th O-N-D
Project Start Up								
Sign contract with Coal Board				X				
Submit progress reports and drawdown requests (Progress reports quarterly if no reimbursements submitted)					X	X	X	X
Project Construction								
Engineering/Design				X				
Project Bidding				X	X			
Conduct pre-construction conference					X			
Construction or purchase and installation of equipment						X	X	
Monitor Progress				X	X	X	X	
Final Inspection							X	
Project Close-Out								
Submit project completion report								X

Engineers Opinion of Probable Cost
City of Hardin

Crawford Street-Water Main Replacement and Street Reconstruction

26-Jun-26

Item No.	Description	Est Qty	Unit	Unit Price	Total Price
General Requirements					
10	Mobilization/Demobilization	1	LS	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
20	Traffic Control	1	LS	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 4,000.00
30	Tases Bonds and Insurance	1	LS	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 3,500.00
Total General Requirements					\$ 17,500.00
Water Main					
10	Exploratory Excavation	2	HRS	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00
20	8x6 Reducer	2	EA	\$ 650.00	\$ 1,300.00
30	45 bends	4	EA	\$ 750.00	\$ 3,000.00
40	8" PVC Water Main	400	LF	\$ 125.00	\$ 50,000.00
50	Gate Valve and Box	2	EA	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 7,000.00
60	1" water Service with Curb Stop	7	EA	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 21,000.00
70	Fire Hydrant Assembly	1	EA	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 11,500.00
80	Temp Water	1	LS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
90	Utility Crossings	2	EA	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,600.00
100	Excavation above subgrade	370	CY	\$ 22.00	\$ 8,140.00
110	Geotextile Fabric	50	SY	\$ 4.00	\$ 200.00
120	Sub-Base	210	CY	\$ 28.00	\$ 5,880.00
130	Crushed Base Coarse	120	CY	\$ 42.00	\$ 5,040.00
140	3" type B Asphalt	500	SY	\$ 28.00	\$ 14,000.00
Water Main Replacement					\$ 139,660.00
Contingency 15%					\$ 20,000.00
Engineering					\$ 35,000.00
Total - Water Main Replacement					\$ 194,660.00
Street Construcion					
10	Excavation above subgrade	1000	CY	\$ 22.00	\$ 22,000.00
20	Sub-excavation	100	CY	\$ 40.00	\$ 4,000.00
30	Geotextile Fabric	1200	SY	\$ 4.00	\$ 4,800.00
40	Sub-Base	560	CY	\$ 28.00	\$ 15,680.00
50	Crushed Base Coarse	300	CY	\$ 42.00	\$ 12,600.00
60	3" type B Asphalt	1350	SY	\$ 28.00	\$ 37,800.00
70	Curb and Gutter Replacement	50	EA	\$ 65.00	\$ 3,250.00
Street Construcion					\$ 100,130.00
Contingenc 15%					\$ 15,000.00
Engineering					\$ 20,000.00
Total Street Construction					\$ 135,130.00
Total Estimate Project Costs					\$ 347,290.00

RESOLUTION NO. 2459

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HARDIN, MONTANA AUTHORIZING THE
SUBMISSION OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COAL BOARD
APPLICATION IN SUPPORT OF REPAIRS TO THE WATER MAIN FOR CRAWFORD
AVENUE.**

WHEREAS, the City of Hardin desires to apply for a Montana Department of Commerce Coal Board Grant in order to a repair and replace the water main and the surface of Crawford Avenue between 2nd Street W. and 3rd Street W; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hardin has the authority to establish, alter, improve, or otherwise conduct work on streets, per Mont. Code Ann. § 7-14-4101 (2025).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HARDIN, MONTANA:

That the City Council of the City of Hardin does hereby authorize Mayor Riley Ramsey to submit an application to the Montana Department of Commerce Coal Board, on behalf of City of Hardin, in order to seek grant funds to assist with the improvement and/or replacement of the water main and to repair the surface of Crawford Avenue between 2nd Street W and 3rd Street W., and to provide such additional information to the Montana Department of Commerce Coal Board, as may be required.

The City of Hardin agrees to comply with all Federal and State laws and regulations and the requirements described in the Montana Department of Commerce Coal Board Application and all other requirements.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Hardin, Montana, and
APPROVED this _____ day of October, 2026.

YEA VOTES _____

NAY VOTES _____

CITY OF HARDIN

BY: _____
Mayor

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

MAYOR
Riley Ramsey

POLICE CHIEF
Benjamin W. Allen



PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
Michael Hurff Jr.

FINANCE OFFICER/CITY CLERK
Andrew Lehr

CITY OF HARDIN

COUNCIL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Are you interested in becoming a
COUNCIL MEMBER for WARD 2?

Must reside in Ward 2

Meet State and City requirements

Term expires December **2027**

The individual appointed to fill the vacant term
will be required to be placed on the ballot in the
2027 general election, pursuant to MCA 7-4-4112

Submit a Letter of Interest

indicating reasons for your interest and a
description of your relevant background.

October 30, 2026 by 12:00 p.m. to

Mayor Riley Ramsey
406 N. Cheyenne Ave
Hardin MT 59034

406-665-9260 Ext. 101

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is Hereby Given by the Council of the City of Hardin, Montana, that on the 5th day of November, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in its Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 401 N. Cheyenne Avenue, Hardin, Montana, it will consider all sealed bids received for a **Sewer/Stormwater Inspection Camera System**.

Sealed Bids shall be submitted to the Finance Officer of the City of Hardin Located at 406 N. Cheyenne Avenue, Hardin, Montana, 59034 on or before the 5th day of November 2026 at 10:00 a.m. All bids shall be clearly marked "2026 Sewer/Stormwater Inspection Camera System". Bids will be opened in public at the City of Hardin Council Chambers at 401 N. Cheyenne Avenue, Hardin, Montana, 59034 on the 5th day of November, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Details and specifications may be obtained at the office of the Public Works Superintendent of the City of Hardin, 406-665-9260 Ext 118, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Bid Security in the amount equal to at least ten percent (10%) of the bid made payable to the City of Hardin must accompany each bid. The bid security must be either (1) lawful monies of the United States, (2), cashiers check, certified check, bank money order, or bank draft drawn and issued by a national banking corporation, incorporated under the laws of the State of Montana, or (3) a bid bond executed by a surety corporation authorized to do business in the State of Montana.

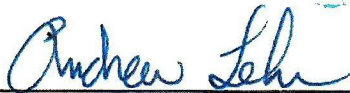
Each bidder is deemed to covenant that if he is awarded the contract, he will within fifteen (15) days from written notice of award, enter into a contract and execute and deliver a bond to the satisfaction and approval of the City Council in the form and manner provided for in Title 18, Chapter 2, MCA and in the event that said Bidder fails, neglects, or refuses to enter into the contract or supply the necessary bond in the amount therein mentioned, the bid bond shall be declared to forfeited to said City of shall be collected by it and paid into the general fund.

Bids shall be received on a per unit basis in accordance with the terms of the specifications contained therein.

The City of Hardin will consider all specifications as written or equivalent in all areas.

The City of Hardin reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities, to postpone the award of the contract for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days and to accept the bid that is in the best interest of the City of Hardin.

Dated this 7th day of October, 2026

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Andrew Lehr", is written over a horizontal line.

Andrew Lehr, Finance Officer

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