

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Tuesday, May 5, 2026, in City Council Chambers and via electronic meeting, starting at 12:00 p.m. Those in attendance were as follows:

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Ken Esquibel, Chairman; Mark Moody; Jeff White; and Lawrence Wolfe.

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### **AGENDA ITEMS**

14. ORDINANCE – 2<sup>nd</sup> READING – Amending enforcement and permitting requirements related to Oversized Vehicles and making conforming amendments. (SPONSOR – DR. ALDRICH)

Mr. White moved to approve on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading, seconded by Mr. Wolfe. Motion carried with Mr. White and Mr. Wolfe voting “YES” and Mr. Moody voting “NO.”

David Hopkinson, Deputy City Attorney, provided a staff report and overview of the proposed ordinance changes. Dr. Michelle Aldrich, Councilmember Ward III and sponsor of the item, advised the proposed changes were in response to many concerned calls and emails. Captain David Janes, Police Department, spoke in support of the proposed changes noting they will assist in enforcement of the ordinance. Committee members White and Wolfe commented on the item.

23. RESOLUTION – Re-appropriating the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget of the City of Cheyenne in accordance with the provisions of W.S. §§ 16-4-112 & 16-4-113. (SPONSOR – MR. ESQUIBEL)

Mr. White moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Moody. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Robin Locknam, City Treasurer, provided a staff report and review of the proposed reappropriations. Upon inquiry, Jason Sanchez, Community Recreation & Events Director, provided information related to the reappropriation for designs for the Recreation Camp and Latch Key program building. Committee members Moody, White and Wolfe commented on the item. During public comment “point of order” was raised multiple times by members of the committee and supported by Chairman Esquibel regarding comments not germane to the topic by Charles Miller. Public comments were also made by Mandie Shattuck.

25. RESOLUTION – Appropriating excess funds from the November 2, 2021, One Percent (1%) Specific Purpose Sales and Use Tax for the acquisition of real property. (SPONSOR – DR. ALDRICH)

Mr. Wolfe moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. White. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Dr. Michelle Aldrich, Councilmember Ward III and sponsor of the item, provided an overview of the proposed resolution showing support of the City Council to purchase the former Laramie County Senior Center building as part of the City annex with overage funds. Robin Lockman, City Treasurer, and Amber Ash, Mayor's Chief of Staff, provided additional information. Committee member Wolfe commented on the item.

26. RESOLUTION – Adopting the Title VI Program for the Cheyenne Transit Program for the City of Cheyenne, Wyoming. (SPONSOR – MR. ESQUIBEL)

Mr. Moody moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. White. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Erin Johnson, Transit Administrator, provided a staff report and committee member White commented on the item. Public comment was made by Charles Miller.

27. RESOLUTION – Expressing the support of the Governing Body for the submission of an application by the Cheyenne Transit Program to the Wyoming Department of Transportation for grant funding under the Wyoming Rural Public Transportation Grant. (SPONSOR – MR. ESQUIBEL)

Mr. White moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Moody. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Erin Johnson, Transit Administrator, provided a staff report and advised the proposed resolution is for annual program funding.

28. RESOLUTION – Approving the budget of the Cheyenne Downtown Development Authority for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027. (SPONSOR – MR. WHITE)

Mr. White moved to adopt, seconded by Mr. Wolfe. Mr. White moved to amend by substitute dated May 5, 2026, seconded by Mr. Moody. Motion to amend carried by unanimous voice vote. Main motion, as amended, carried with Mr. White and Mr. Wolfe voting “YES” and Mr. Moody voting “NO.”

Sopia Maes, Downtown Development Authority Executive Director, provided a staff report and advised a substitute resolution includes a decrease of \$30,000.00 in the budget, due to a scrivener's error, bringing the total budget amount to \$1,022,800.00. Committee member Wolfe commented on the item and public comment was made by Wendy Volk.

29. LEASES/CONTRACTS/LEGAL:

- f) Contract between the City of Cheyenne and BNSF Railway for a BNSF Railway and Grant Applicant 22905 Agreement for the Reed Avenue Rail Crossing Elimination Project. (2017 Specific Purpose Option Tax Fund)

Mr. White moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Wolfe. Motion carried with Mr. White and Mr. Wolfe voting “YES” and Mr. Moody voting “NO.”

Tom Cobb, City Engineer, provided a staff report and committee member Moody commented on the item.

30. CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS:

- d) Contract Modification #1 to Contract #8218 between the City of Cheyenne and AVI Engineering, PC for On-Call Engineering Services. (2022-2023 Optional 1% Sales Tax Fund)

Mr. Moody moved to approve in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, seconded by Mr. White. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Tom Cobb, City Engineer, provided a staff report and committee members Moody, White and Wolfe commented on the item.

31. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS/PURCHASES/REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS:

- f) Consideration of Bid #S-19-26 for a Contract between the City of Cheyenne and Reiman Corp. for the Storey Boulevard Extension Construction project. (2019-2022 and 2023-2026 Optional 1% Sales Tax Fund)

Mr. Moody moved to accept the bid in an amount not to exceed \$3,493,630.85, seconded by Mr. Wolfe. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Patrick Collins provided an overview of the proposed project and advised the County Commission does not agree with their portion of the project being developed to City standards (to include curb and gutter and a retaining wall). Tom Cobb, City Engineer, provided information related to the disagreement of development of the roadway between the City and the County. Chairman Esquibel and all committee members commented on the item. Public comments were made by Troy Thompson, County Commissioner, and Wendy Volk. During public comment "point of order" was raised by members of the committee and supported by Chairman Esquibel regarding comments not germane to the topic by Charles Miller.

- g) Consideration of Bid #S-21-26 for a Contract between the City of Cheyenne and Construction Specialists, Inc. for the Cheyenne Transit Facility - Interior and Exterior Renovations and Upgrades project. (Board of Public Utilities and Federal Transit Administration & WYDOT Grants)

Mr. White moved to accept the bid in an amount not to exceed \$2,169,500.00, seconded by Mr. Wolfe. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Erin Johnson, Transit Administrator, provided a staff report and TJ Barttelbort, Purchasing Manager, provided additional information. Committee member Wolfe commented on the item.

There being no further items for the agenda to come before the Finance Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J McClelland". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jennifer McClelland  
Executive Assistant to the City Council