



**Agenda
City of Laurel
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, August 25, 2026
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.

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 Minutes from August 11, 2026.

Correspondence

Council Disclosure of Ex Parte Communications

Public Hearing

2. FY 2025-2026 Budget Amendments
3. Budget and Tax Resolutions Fiscal Year 26-27

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.

4. Claims entered through August 21, 2026.
5. Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 8/16/2026 totaling \$284,692.19.

Ceremonial Calendar

Reports of Boards and Commissions

6. Budget/Finance Committee Minutes of August 11, 2026.
7. Laurel Airport Authority Minutes of 7.28.2026.
8. Tree/Park Board Minutes of August 6, 2026.

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

9. Appointment of Easton McKenzie to the Laurel Emergency Medical Services
10. Ordinance No. 26-4: An Ordinance Of The City Of Laurel Imposing A Moratorium On Annexation Applications In Order To Evaluate Municipal Infrastructure Capacity, Water System Demands, The Impacts Of Recent Changes In State Law, And The Proper Future Growth Plans For The City Of Laurel.
11. Resolution No. R26-51: A Resolution Of The City Council Approving Amendments To Appropriations And Revenues For The City Of Laurel's Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget.
12. Resolution No. R26-52: A Resolution Approving And Adopting The Final Budget For The City Of Laurel For The Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
13. Resolution No. R26-53: A Resolution Levying Taxes For General And Specific Purposes For The City Of Laurel, Montana, For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2026.
14. Resolution No. R26-54: A Resolution Levying And Assessing All Of The Property Embraced Within Special Improvement Lighting District No. 2 Of The City Of Laurel, Montana, For The Entire Cost Of Maintenance And Electrical Current For The Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
15. Resolution No. R26-55: A Resolution Levying And Assessing All Of The Property Embraced Within Special Improvement Lighting District No. 3 Of The City Of Laurel, Montana, For The Entire Cost Of Maintenance And Electrical Current For The Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
16. Resolution No. R26-56: A Resolution Levying And Assessing All Of The Property Embraced Within Street Sweeping District No. 1 Of The City Of Laurel, Montana, For The Purpose Of The Sweeping Of Streets In The Downtown Or Business District For The Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

17. Resolution No. R26-57: A Resolution Levying And Assessing The Cost Of Street Maintenance And/Or Improvements For Street Maintenance District No. 1 That Constitutes All Streets And Alleys Embraced Within The City Of Laurel, Montana, For Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
18. Resolution No. R26-58: A Resolution Levying And Assessing The Cost Of Street Improvements For Special Improvement District No. 113 Within The City Of Laurel, Montana, For Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
19. Resolution No. R26-59: A Resolution Levying And Assessing The Cost Of Sidewalk Improvements For Special Improvement District No. 115 Within The City Of Laurel, Montana, For Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
20. Resolution No. R26-60: A Resolution Levying And Assessing The Cost Of Sidewalk Improvements For Special Improvement District No. 116 Within The City Of Laurel, Montana, For Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
21. Resolution No. R26-61: A Resolution Levying And Assessing The Cost Of Sidewalk Improvements For Special Improvement District No. 117 Within The City Of Laurel, Montana, For Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
22. Resolution No. R26-62: A Resolution Levying And Assessing The Cost Of Sidewalk Improvements For Special Improvement District No. 118 Within The City Of Laurel, Montana, For Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
23. Resolution No. R26-63: A Resolution Levying And Assessing The Cost Of Sidewalk Improvements For Special Improvement District No. 119 Within The City Of Laurel, Montana, For Fiscal Year 2026-2027.
24. Resolution No. R26-64: A Resolution Levying And Assessing A Special Tax Against Certain Property In The City Of Laurel For Delinquent Water Charges.
25. Resolution No. R26-65: A Resolution Levying And Assessing A Special Tax Against Certain Property In The City Of Laurel For Delinquent Sewer Charges.
26. Resolution No. R26-66: A Resolution Levying And Assessing A Special Tax Against Certain Property Designated As Garbage Districts In The City Of Laurel, Montana, For The Removal Of Garbage And Refuse.
27. Resolution No. R26-67: A Resolution Of The City Council Approving Agreement Regarding School Resource Officer Program By And Between The City Of Laurel And Laurel Public Schools, District 7 & 7-70.
28. Resolution No. R26-68: Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Sign An Agreement With Allies In Aging For Operation And Cost Sharing For Public Transportation
29. Resolution No. R26-69: Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Creation Of Two Temporary Driver Positions Not To Exceed 12 Months For Fiscal Year 2026-2027
30. Resolution No. R26-70: A Resolution Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement With Systems Technology Consultants For Managed Network Services.

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

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