



City of Sidney, MT
Local Government Review Board Meeting
July 27, 2026 5:30 PM
115 2nd Street SE | Sidney, MT 59270

1. Call to Order

Chair Sergent called the Local Government Review Board meeting to order at 5:30pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was stated by all present.

3. Roll Call

Committee Members Present:

City Officials/ Staff Present:

Committee Present: Sergent, Whiteman, Mayer

Others Present: Mayor Norby, Interim CAO Chamberlin, Jody Wells (Round-up) and James Falcon (Sidney Herald-via Zoom)

4. Correction or Approval of Minutes

a. July 2nd, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the July 2nd, 2026 meeting.

5. Public Comment/ Visitors

Your opportunity for the public to address the Council on items not included on the agenda, no action will be taken during this time.

None.

6. New Business

a. Education/Public Outreach: Report and Ballot Item

Interim CAO Chamberlin provided the LGRB with an "Educational Outreach Timeline" that provided 2 articles in the local newspapers and 12 social media posts that educate

on general versus self-governing powers. She stated it is the job of the LGRB to educate on the ballot item and not advocate one way or the other and that is the way the articles and posts were created.

It was the general consensus of the Local Government Review Board to move forward with the Educational Outreach Timeline as provided by Interim CAO Chamberlin.

7. Unfinished Business

a. Adoption of Final Report

Interim CAO Chamberlin provided the Final Report, having been updated as directed at the previous meeting. Mr. Mayer read the ballot item out loud for the public. Interim CAO Chamberlin stated the election office has confirmed that the explanatory statement cannot be included on the ballot, only the question and the options, both of which must be "fors". The education leading up to the November election must suffice.

Motion was made to approve the Local Government Review Final Report.

8. Comments and Questions from the Committee

Interim CAO Chamberlin stated there is no further business at this time for the LGRB and asked if they would like to meet again, and it was the general consensus not to meet again at this time. The LGRB thanked City Staff and the public for the work done on this endeavor and Mayor Norby thanked the review board for their time and effort throughout this process.

9. Adjournment

At 5:37pm.

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