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INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 22, 2024
To: Billings City Council
From: Dick Zier
Subject: SBURA report for the July 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

The following is a report from the South Billings Urban Renewal Association (SBURA) related to activities in the South Billings Boulevard Urban Renewal District (“the District”) for the period July 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

My monthly consultant reports are also available at www.southbillings.org

Administrative

Dick Zier resigned from his at-large position and the SBURA Board agree to place an ad for a new Board member.

Jim Tevlin agreed to a two-month contract from July 15th- September 15th to assist the new Consultant with the transition.

Dick Zier was hired as the new Consultant to SBURA after 2 interview processes.

Andrew Hoolihan renewed his position for another term as a Resident Director.

Steve Solberg was appointed to the SBURA Board.

Current Projects

The Bond Issue to build a Multi-generational Recreation Center and make major improvements to our Parks and Trail Systems was defeated on the November 7, 2023 Ballot.

Several more streets were paved in our District.

SBURA Board wrote a letter of recommendation for the Mitchell Court Development and, ultimately, they were awarded a very nice Grant.

Two new TIF Applications were approved.

- A. Billings School District #2 applied for \$100,000 to install Solar Panels at Riverside Elementary School and this request was approved.
- B. Wood Springs Suites applied for assistance and was awarded \$346,201 and this request as approved. Dick presented these requests to the Billings City Council and both requests were approved unanimously.

Three projects will be completed and will be requesting reimbursement for the expenses that were approved in January and February 2024.

- A. Jackson Court \$ 547,305.00
- B. TPA Group \$1,000,000.00
- C. KSKC Properties \$ 362,525.00

The SBURA will continue to work to remove Blight and create Business opportunities in our District to improve the quality of life.

 SBURA Consultant