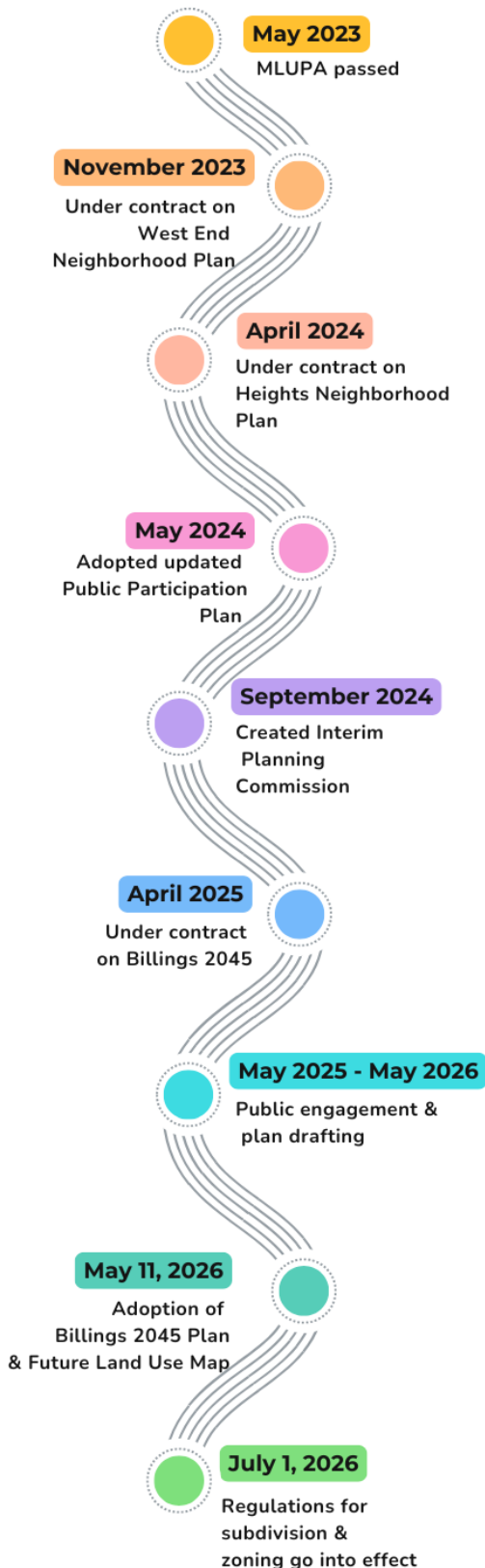




CITY OF BILLINGS

Adoption Timeline



Plan name: *Billings 2045*
Plan adoption: May 11, 2026
Applications processed: 0

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POSITIVES:

- Offers greater predictability and streamlined review for developers and landowners.
- Encouraged community engagement in a way we've never done before. While public involvement is a cornerstone of planning, continuous public engagement challenged us to develop new strategies and tailor messaging for audiences throughout the process.

CHALLENGES:

- Transitioning from a project-specific public hearing to an administrative process concerns Billings City Council regarding public involvement and accountability on a project-by-project basis.
- The broad definition of "Aggrieved Party" in MLUPA MCA76-25-103(1) mirrors MCA 76-3-625(4), application appeals should be further narrowed down similar to in MCA 76-3-625(3).
- Within MCA 76-3-608(1) subdivisions could not be denied based *solely* on impacts to educational services. Several communities have had school funding issues and this language does not exist in MLUPA.

IMPLEMENTED ENCOURAGEMENT OF DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING (MCA 76-25-302):

Items (b), (c), (e), (f), (h), (j), (m)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



12

Stakeholder meetings



69

Stakeholders engaged



9

Community workshops



109

Workshop attendees



1,169

Survey responses



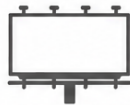
6,067

Unique website visits



303

Times flyers were dropped off at over 194 different businesses throughout the City



13

Billboards over three weeks for 522,446 impressions/week



2

Bus ads circulating the City on different routes over three weeks



311

Radio ads



27,267

Ad views online Nextdoor, Facebook, Instagram



Media Interviews

Interviews with Billings Gazette, Yellowstone Public Radio (91.7), Desert Broadcasting (98.1, 105.9, 96.3, 106.7, 105.5, 94.1), Community 7, KULR8, KTVQ



Community Events

Tables at Strawberry Fest, Phillips66, Harvest Fest, Building Expo



Presentations To

Brews and News, Leadership Billings, Library Food for Thought, Heights Task Force, Midtown Community Collaborative, West End Task Force, Rimrock Task Force, Southside Task Force



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Interim Planning Commission Meetings

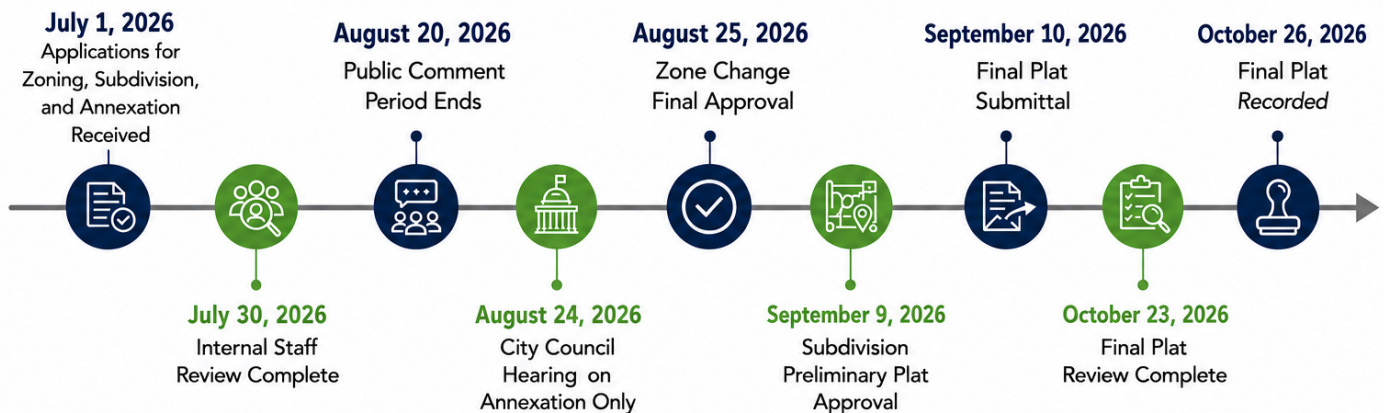


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City Council Meetings

PROCESS FOR A PARCEL TO BE ANNEXED

Assumes no appeals, revisions, consultant drafting, improvements, etc.



ITEMS THAT TYPICALLY TAKE MORE TIME

- ✓ Consultant drafting plat
- ✓ Surveyor setting pins
- ✓ Engineering design of water, road, sewer, stormwater
- ✓ Construction bidding
- ✓ Construction

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS



This timeline is aggressive.

It assumes ideal coordination, a complete application, and no delays.



Construction season

Timing of construction season in Montana.

BEYOND RECORDING – NEXT STEPS (NOT INCLUDED IN TIMELINE ABOVE)



Engineering & Construction Plan Finalization



Bidding & Contractor Selection



Construction



Inspections & Project Closeout



Final Acceptance & Public Infrastructure Turnover

Dates are for planning purposes only and subject to change.