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Subject: Proposed Agenda Items - February 3, 2026 Council Meeting
Attachments: Conrad Task Order - Water PER 2026.pdf

Hi Mayor:

Per our phone conversation this morning, we would like to propose the following agenda items for the February 3, 2026 Conrad City Council Meeting:

1. **Proposed Agenda Item 1 – “TTE Task Order to perform 2026 Water System Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) and Grant Applications”**

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- a. **Attached** is the proposed Task Order.
 - b. The PER would include evaluation of the existing water system; with a primary focus on the following:
 - i. Supply – Lake Francis, North Central Montana Regional Water, or a combination of both
 - ii. Lake Francis Intake – Rehabilitate existing pumps, new pumps, controls, etc.
 - iii. Transmission Main – Evaluate costs for replacement of the existing transmission main(s) from Lake Francis to the Conrad Water Treatment Plant.
 - iv. Water Treatment System – Evaluate recommended improvements to the treatments system including leaking filters, new filter media, backwash, etc.
 - c. The PER will evaluate the system, identify issues, estimate costs, recommend improvements, evaluate alternatives, and identify a funding plan.
 - d. The PER will be utilized to apply for the following potential infrastructure grant applications in May of 2026 to fund the recommended improvements:
 - i. Montana Coal Endowment Program = \$500,000
 - ii. Department of Natural Resources (RRGL) = \$125,000
 - e. We propose to work with Morrison Maierle as a sub-consultant to evaluate the pumping/treatment system improvements because Morrison Maierle performed the initial design and has knowledge of the system. A representative from Morrison Maierle visited the site and has an understanding of the issues to be addressed. As with all task orders where sub-consultants are involved, Triple Tree will not mark up any subconsultant costs.
 - i. It is proposed to complete the PER and grant applications on a time and materials basis not to exceed \$58,000.
 - ii. TTE submitted an MCEP planning grant application to fund \$30,000 of the cost, but MCEP has not yet announced successful grant applications.
 1. If the Town is not awarded the MCEP planning grant, the cost to the Town would be \$58,000.
 2. If the Town is awarded the MCEP planning grant, the cost to the Town would be ~\$28,000.
 - a. We will let you know if the Town will receive a planning grant.