

Yellowstone County



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Board of Yellowstone County Commissioners:

Please accept this letter as a written request for you to formally approve some end-of-year budget adjustments to keep us in compliance with budget statutes. This request will be presented to you at a public discussion meeting on August 13, 2026, then as a regular item requiring your formal approval at your public agenda meeting on August 18, 2026. This action on your part is authorized under MCA 7-6-4006 (4).

1. Requesting to increase spending authority to allow for full payment of collections to each of the pass-through funds below with unanticipated revenue as the offset:
 - a. Predatory Animal (MT Woolgrowers)- \$336
 - b. Library (City of Billings)- \$8,835
 - c. Planning (City of Billings)- \$9,347
 - d. City/County Health (Riverstone)- \$37,325
 - e. Senior (Allies in Aging)- \$9,144
 - f. Health Ins Levy (HI fund)- \$30,900
 - g. Soil (YCCD)- \$90
2. Requesting reallocation of spending authority within the following funds:
 - a. Road- \$1,000,000 due to savings in other contracted services for ability to transfer to Road CIP fund.
 - b. Bridge- \$400,000 due to savings in other contingency for ability to transfer to Bridge CIP fund.
 - c. Health Insurance- \$1,050,000 from contingency and Renologic claims to medical claims to cover accrued liability estimate and unexpectedly high claims in FY26.
 - d. Sheriff Admin- \$2,000 reallocated from contingency to cover travel expenses.
3. Requesting increase in spending authority for the following funds:
 - a. Weed- \$40,000 increase to chemical budget from reserves for year-end inventory adjustment.
 - b. Blight- \$100 increase in termination pay from reserves.
 - c. GIS- \$29,000 increase in transfer to GF for fund closeout.
 - d. Health Insurance- \$250,000 increase in claims for yearend estimate.

Thank you,


Jennifer Jones
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