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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Michael Cole, City Administrator

RE: General Information

DATE: April 5, 2024

The following meetings are scheduled for the week of **April 6-12, 2024**

Tuesday, April 9th

5:15 p.m. Planning Commission Meeting, City Hall 2nd Floor Community Room

Wednesday, April 10th

5:15 p.m. City/County/Town Budget Meetings - George Amos Memorial Building

1. Attached please find a **Notice of Special Meeting of the Gillette City Council on April 9, 2024 at 5:15 p.m.** at the **City Hall 2nd Floor Community Room** provided by **City Administrator Cole**.
2. Attached please find a **Notice of Special Meeting of the Gillette City Council on April 10, 2024 at 5:15 p.m.** at the **George Amos Memorial Building** provided by **City Administrator Cole**.
3. Attached please find **information** regarding **McCann Heights Utility Improvements 2024 Project** provided by **Development Services Director Muzzarelli**.
4. Attached please find **Snow Event Report #9** dated **March 31, 2024** provided by **Public Works Director Wilde**.
5. Attached please find an **agenda** dated **April 11, 2024** for the **Campbell County Public Land Board Meeting** provided by **Cam-Plex**.
6. Attached please find **Economic Summary:4Q2023** dated **March 2024** provided by the **Wyoming Department of Administration & Information Economic Analysis Division**.

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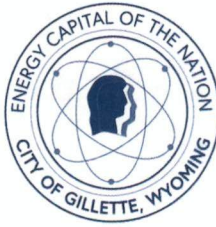
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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GILLETTE CITY COUNCIL

TAKE NOTICE that the presiding officer of the Gillette City Council has called for a special meeting. This special meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024, beginning at 5:15 p.m. in the Second Floor Community Room in City Hall located at 201 E. Fifth Street, Gillette, WY 82716.** The purpose of this special meeting is to attend a meeting of the City of Gillette Planning Commission. The Gillette City Council will not take any action at this meeting.

DATED April 2, 2024.

Michael H. Cole
City of Gillette Administrator



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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GILLETTE CITY COUNCIL

TAKE NOTICE that the presiding officer of the Gillette City Council has called for a special meeting. This special meeting will be held on **Wednesday, April 10, 2024, beginning at 5:15 p.m. in the George Amos Memorial Building, Cottonwood Room located at 412 S. Gillette Ave., Gillette, WY 82716.** The meeting will continue until is business is concluded. The purpose of this special meeting is as follows:

- **A. Discussion Item:** Discussion between the Town of Wright, Campbell County Commissioners, Joint Powers Fire Board, and Gillette City Council regarding the Joint Powers Fire Board fiscal year 2024-2025 Budget.
- **B. Discussion Item:** Discussion between the Campbell County Public Land Board, Campbell County Commissioners, and Gillette City Council regarding the Campbell County Public Land Board fiscal year 2024-2025 Budget.

DATED April 1, 2024.

Michael H. Cole
City of Gillette Administrator

McCann Heights

UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS 2024

The project will be phased into approximately 2 block segments, to minimize the distances closed down at any given time. Residents in the active area will not be able to access their driveways directly for a 2 to 3 week window, as underground utilities are replaced in each segment of the project. Roadways may be gravel for an additional length of time during construction until paving can be replaced.

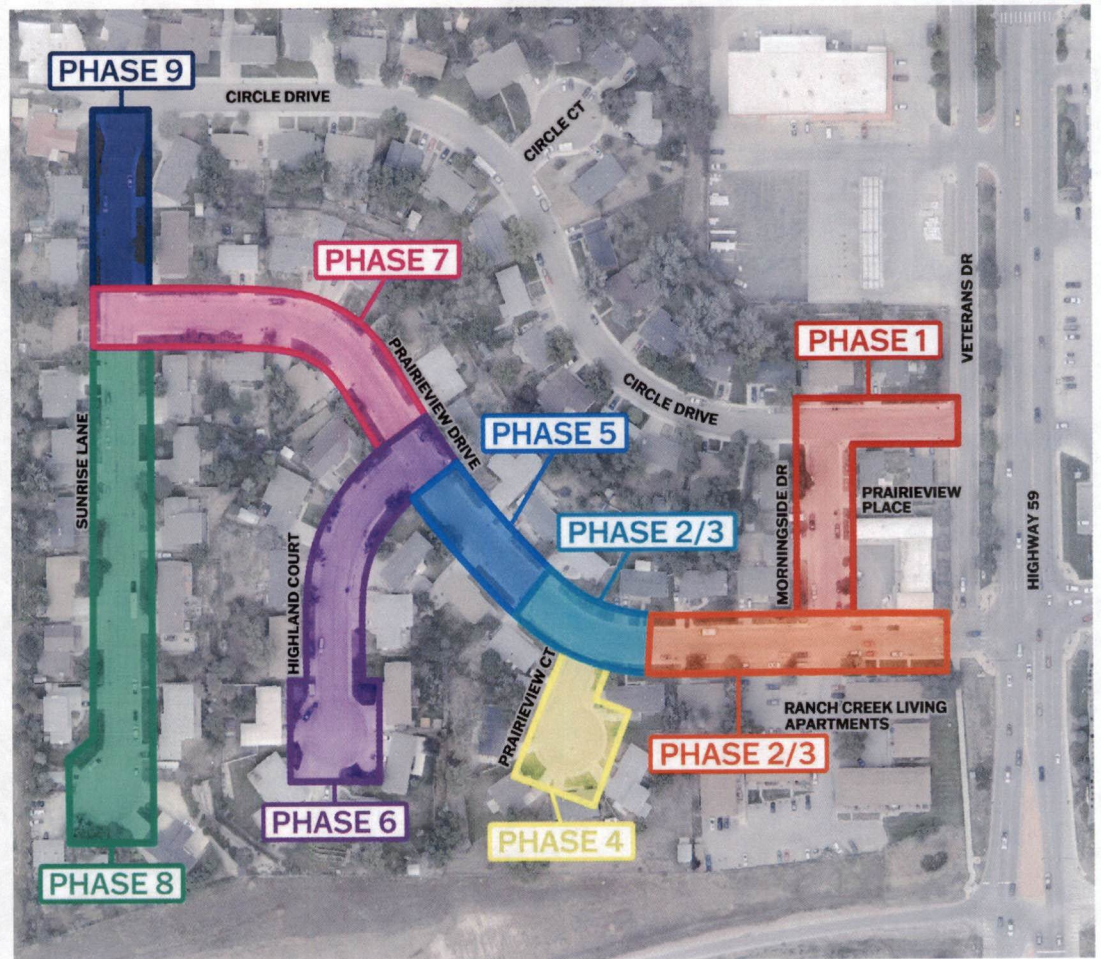
The City of Gillette will consider requests for reasonable accommodations. Please contact Adrienne Hahn, Engineer/Consultant at 307.363.7395 or adrienne.hahn@kljeng.com



Construction Update

Improvements include replacing all water and sanitary sewer mains and services as well as reconstruction of the pavement. Storm sewer installation will be added to improve drainage in the area.

PROJECT DATE TO BEGIN: **April 15, 2024**



Project information:

www.gillettewy.gov/projects

Or Adrienne Hahn, Engineer/Consultant:

307-363-7395

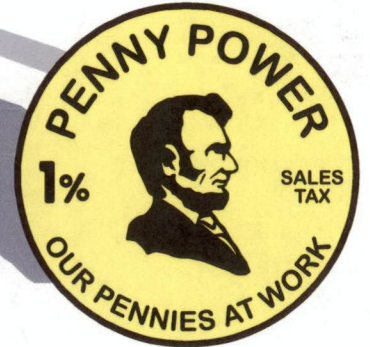
McCann Heights

2024 Construction Update

1% SALES TAX FUNDING

The City of Gillette uses its share of the 1% sales tax for the capital construction of roads, water, and sewer lines, as well as infrastructure, such as drainage improvements, wastewater treatment facility, parks, pathways, and much more.

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Construction Activities are expected to take place between

April 15 and October 30



Residents will be unable to access their driveways during underground work. Roadways may be gravel for an additional length of time during construction until paving can be replaced.

Requests for accommodations can be made to Adrienne Hahn, Engineer/Consultant, at 307-363-7395.

Comments, Questions, Concerns:

Engineer/ Consultant:

KLJ Engineering Adrienne Hahn 307.363.7395



Contractor:

Hot Iron, Inc. Rafael Del Toro 307.689.4130



City of Gillette Project Manager:

Kerwin Burton 307.686.5259



To get current project updates, please visit our website at
www.gillettewy.gov/projects

Snow Event Report #9

Event Start Date:	<u>03/31/2024</u>	Event Start Time:	<u>10:00 p.m.</u>
Event End Date:	<u>04/01/2024</u>	Event End Time:	<u>11:00 a.m..</u>
Duration of Event:	<u>13 hours</u>	Streets First Responder:	<u>Night crew</u>

Storm Event Overview:

On Sunday, March 31, 2024, the weather forecast predicted snow all day. The snowfall started at 7:00 a.m. The temperature remained steady around 32 degrees, keeping the roads wet despite the snow. Road conditions changed around 9:00 p.m. when the temperature fell to 27 degrees, causing the snow to stick on the roads. The Night crew was called in at 10:00 p.m. due to the anticipated rise in snowfall; at this time event 9 was officially declared.

Sunday Night 03/31/2024

The temperature was 27 degrees with light winds. The Night crew diligently worked for 9 hours focusing on clearing important routes like East, Central, West, Downtown, and Trouble. Road conditions were slick with snow, slush, and ice. Temperatures dropped during the night to a low of 24 degrees. The Night crew continued plowing operations until 7:00 a.m. Total snow accumulation during the storm was 4-5 inches.

Monday 04/01/2024

The Day crew resumed plowing operations at 7:00 a.m. The temperatures remained at 25 degrees with a light wind. Crews checked all priority routes and cleared snow and slush to the curb. By 10:00 a.m. the temperature rose to 30 degrees, improving road conditions for safe travel.

Event 9 was closed at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, April 1, 2024.

Number of Pieces of Equipment Used:

Amount of Material Used:

Snowplows:	<u>8</u>	Blades:	<u>0</u>	Ice Slicer lbs.:	<u>48,470</u>
1-Tons:	<u>4</u>	Snow Blowers:	<u>0</u>	Scoria lbs.:	<u>48,470</u>
Loaders:	<u>1</u>	Liquid Truck:	<u>0</u>	Brine Gallons:	<u>235</u>
Tractors:	<u>0</u>			Apogee Gallons:	<u>0</u>

Number of Miles Plowed During Event: 1470

Personnel:

Night Crew - Jeremy Hagen, Sue Riggle, Will Ellis, Alyssa Watson, Hunter Deaton, Brandon Gonzales, Leonard Taylor

Day Crew - Amy Berkey, Braxton Riley, Corban Vassar, Garrett Wolff, Dennis Fleck, Wendy Clements, Dale Warren, Lonnie Meidinger

Subdivision Activities: Parks provided support to Solid Waste by assisting with plowing operations on Monday trash routes and ensuring that pathways and subdivisions were cleared.

Environmental Conditions Present:

Snow: 4-5 Drifting: yes Rain: yes Low Temp: 24 Wind: 10-16 mph

Equipment Issues:

- Plow truck 40 – tailgate malfunction
- Plow truck 157 – check engine light

Items of Interest: During this weather event the Gillette Police Department investigated three (3) vehicle crashes. All three (3) of these occurred on a City of Gillette maintained roadways and were influenced by weather conditions.

2022-2023 POUNDS PER LANE MILE SPREADSHEET

Event #	Date of Event	Duration of Event	Temperature	# of Miles Plowed	Ice Slice Lbs.	Pounds Per Lane Mile	Snowfall Total	Emergency Level
1	10/26/2023	20 hours	4	1,978	128,631	65.03	4	na
2	11/23/2023	22 hours	15	2,566	111,861	43.59	3	1
3	12/23/2023	9.25 hours	20	909	40,343	44.38	2	na
4	1/7/2024	17.75 hours	10	1,926	80,320	41.70	4	na
5	1/10/2024	16.5 hours	-1	1,763	70,042	39.73	3	na
6	2/15/2024	21 hours	9	1,762	86,531	49.11	4	na
7	2/26/2024	14.5 hours	5	1,835	58,435	31.84	3	na
8	3/24/2024	23 hours	11	1,450	49,666	34.25	3	na
9	3/31/2024	13 hours	24	1,470	48,470	32.97	5	na
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Unit: Miles

- Unit 25: 59
- Unit 28: 123
- Unit 44: 181
- Unit 76: 2
- Unit 96: 1
- Unit 100: 176
- Unit 126: 19
- Unit 157: 104
- Unit 168: 66
- Unit 150055: 55
- Unit 150091: 61
- Unit 160203: 188
- Unit 160204: 182
- Unit 200001: 43
- Unit 210040: 2
- Unit 210216: 175
- Unit 230231: 22
- Unit 230235: 11
- Crash Locations

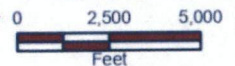
Snow Plow Miles: 1,190
One Ton Miles: 244
Tractor Miles: 36

Police Report:
Crashes: 3
Crashes w/Injuries: 0
Citations: 1
Personal Property Damage: \$ 3,000
City Property Damage: \$ 0

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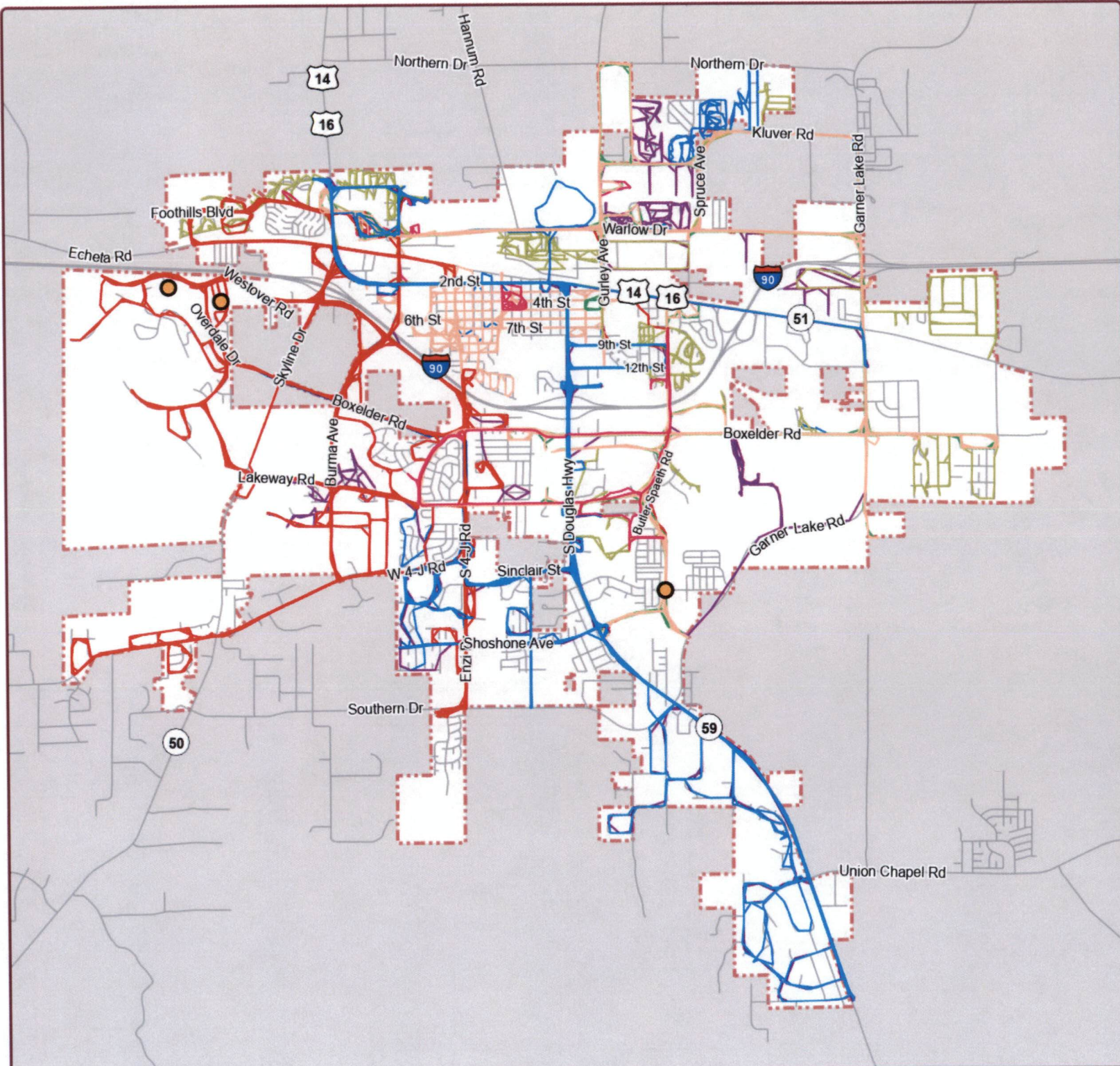


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Snow Event 9
3/31/2024 10:00:00 PM to
4/1/2024 11:00:00 AM
April 01, 2024

Productivity Service With P.R.I.D.E. Enthusiasm
Responsibility Integrity Dedication



ESTIMATED SNOW COSTS - 2023/2024

Event #	Date	Labor Cost	Equipment Cost	Ice Slice Cost	Brine Cost	Material Cost	Contractor Cost	Estimated Cost of Event
1	10/26/2023	\$4,204.85	\$11,646.26	\$9,004.17	\$1,613.63	\$10,617.80	\$0.00	\$26,468.91
2	11/23/2023	\$7,724.64	\$13,779.44	\$7,830.27	\$2,656.96	\$10,487.23	\$0.00	\$31,991.31
3	12/23/2023	\$2,356.05	\$4,747.52	\$2,824.01	\$690.08	\$3,514.09	\$0.00	\$10,617.66
4	1/7/2024	\$4,377.76	\$12,229.45	\$5,622.40	\$2,079.36	\$7,701.76	\$0.00	\$24,308.97
5	1/10/2024	\$4,953.60	\$13,426.93	\$4,902.94	\$1,094.40	\$5,997.34	\$0.00	\$24,377.87
6	2/15/2024	\$4,611.82	\$13,268.08	\$6,057.17	\$2,185.76	\$8,242.93	\$0.00	\$26,122.83
7	2/26/2024	\$4,300.49	\$11,987.50	\$4,090.45	\$1,073.12	\$5,163.57	\$0.00	\$21,451.56
8	3/24/2024	\$3,494.07	\$9,782.25	\$3,476.62	\$899.84	\$4,376.46	\$0.00	\$17,652.78
9	3/31/2024	\$3,450.05	\$9,678.23	\$3,392.90	\$714.40	\$4,107.30	\$0.00	\$17,235.58
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	TOTALS:	\$39,473.33	\$100,545.66	\$47,200.93	\$13,007.55	\$60,208.48	\$0.00	\$200,227.47

Gillette Police Department 2023/2024 Weather Event Crash Report Event #9

IR#	Date/Time	Location	Injury	Property Damage	Citation	Cause
6894	4/1/2024	Westhills loop (201)	None	Private >\$1,000	No	Vehicle #1 slid on snow/ice and left the roadway striking a tree in the yard of 201.
6902	4/1/2024	Vista Hills Ct. (106)	UK	Private > \$1,000	N/A	Vehicle #1 slid on snow/ice and left the roadway striking a fence at 106. (hit/run)
6903	4/1/2024	Butler Spaeth / Harvest Moon	None	Private > \$1,000	Yes	Vehicle #1 slid on snow/ice and collided with another vehicle in transport.
March 31, 2024 10:00 p.m. to April, 1 2024 11:00 a.m.						
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Campbell County Public Land Board Meeting

April 11, 2024 @ 6:30 PM

CAM-PLEX: Energy Hall Conference Room

1. Call Meeting to Order and Introductions Chuck Land
2. Approval of Agenda Chuck Land
3. Consent Agenda Chuck Land
 - 3.1 Minutes – 3/24/2024 CCPLB and Staff Budget Meeting (Attachment “A”)
 - 3.2 Minutes – 3/14/2024 Regular Meeting
 - 3.3 Minutes – 2/6/2024 CCPLB Annual Review and Budget Planning Meeting
 - 3.2 Warrants, Line-Item Transfers, and Budget Amendments (Attachment “B”)
4. Citizen Input Chuck Land
5. Staff Reports Aaron Lyles
Adam Schuff
Mary Hipsag
ReNae Keuck
 - 5.1 Executive Director’s Report (Attachment C)
 - 5.2 Facilities & Operations
 - 5.3 Events
 - 5.4 Finance
6. Board Process Chuck Land
 - 6.1 Powder Basin Equestrian Association (Attachment D)
 - 6.2 Camporee Update
7. MATTERS FOR NOTING Chuck Land
 - 7.1 Correspondence
8. Other Business
9. Board Calendar Chuck Land
 - May 9, 2024 – CCPLB Meeting/Regular at 6:30 PM- Energy Hall Conference Room
 - June 13, 2024 – CCPLB Meeting/Quarterly Commissioners Meeting at 6:00 PM- Energy Hall Conference Room
 - July 11, 2024 – CCPLB Meeting/Regular at 6:30 PM- Energy Hall Conference Room
10. Adjourn Chuck Land



Economic Summary: 4Q2023



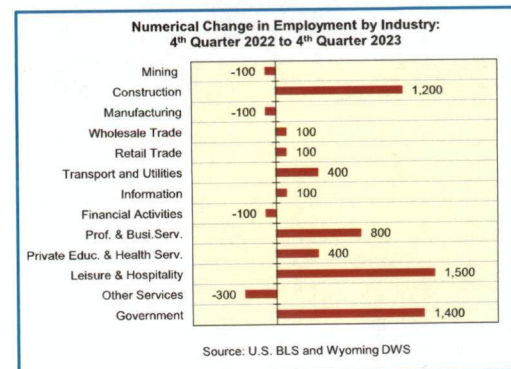
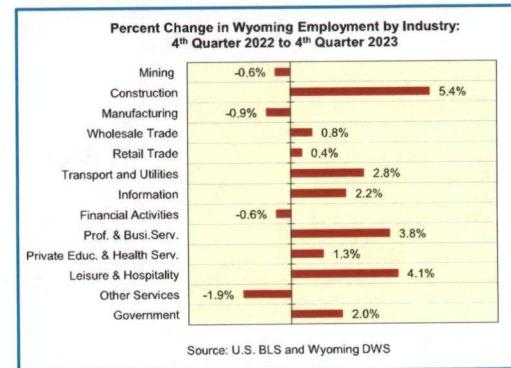
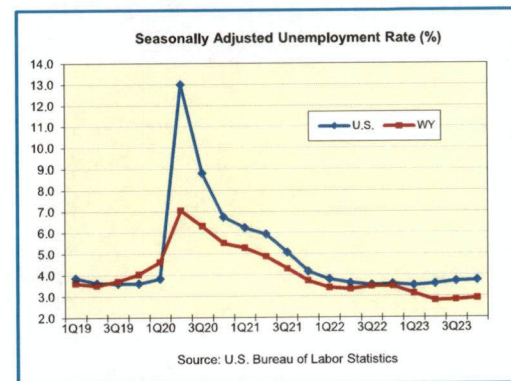
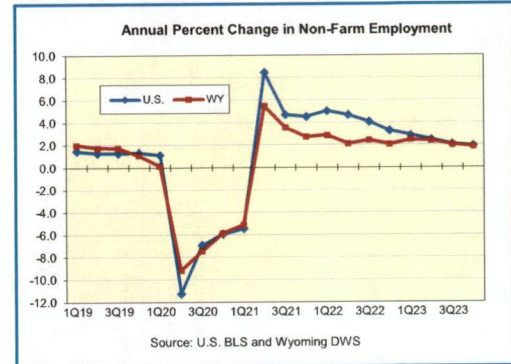
Current Global and U.S. Economy

The global economy has experienced a convergence of extreme stresses over the past three years, according to Moody's Analytics. As aggressive tightening of monetary policy alongside elevated inflation dampened domestic demand and reduced the volume of global trade. Helped by the resilience of the U.S. economy, the global economy avoided a recession, instead it delivered a GDP growth rate of 2.6 percent. However, it's expected to slow to 2.4 percent in 2024, with the second half stronger than the first. Near-term prospects remain weak for the U.K. and euro zone, but will pick up pace in 2024. China's economy is still being challenged by a lack of domestic demand. The strong performances in Brazil and Mexico in 2023 may slowdown this year, but the expansion will continue. The largest concern is energy price swings if geopolitical tension escalates.

Despite the higher interest rates, the U.S. economy continued to perform well. Growth was higher than the potential, with real GDP expanding 2.5 percent for the full year of 2023. The labor market is slowing down somewhat, but is still resilient, averaging close to a healthy 250,000 payroll jobs per month. In addition, the labor force participation rate of prime-age (25-54) workers has fully recovered from the pandemic. It is uplifting that the slower employment growth is mostly due to business hiring deceleration instead of laying off workers. Wage growth has moderated and labor productivity growth has been speeding up recently. With relatively less volatile oil prices, inflation has been hovering near 3.0 percent. The assessment from Moody's Analytics is that the baseline forecast remains resilient and recession free in 2024. Both real GDP and payroll jobs continue to grow, but at a slower speed. The unemployment rate is expected to be close to 4.0 percent.

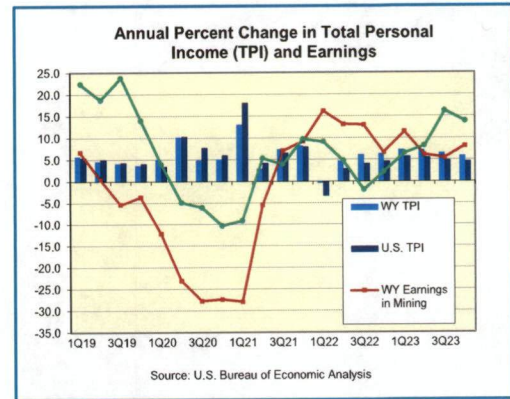
Employment

Even with the moderate slowdown in energy businesses' drilling activities, Wyoming's economy continued to grow in the fourth quarter. The robust activities were broad-based across most sectors, but the pace of expansion decelerated slightly. Total employment increased 1.8 percent (or 5,400 jobs) compared to the previous year, while the U.S. growth rate also slowed down to 1.9 percent. The state's unemployment rate decreased to 2.8 percent, which was much lower than the national average of 3.7 percent. Payroll jobs increased in most sectors, led by construction which grew 5.4 percent annually in the fourth quarter. Wyoming's pivotal industry, mining, decreased slightly, -0.6 percent, and it still had 3,800 or 18.3 percent less jobs than the pre-COVID period of the fourth quarter of 2019. Professional & business services and leisure & hospitality each increased by around 4.0 percent. Other services, which include repair and personal services, experienced the largest decline, -300 jobs or -1.9 percent.



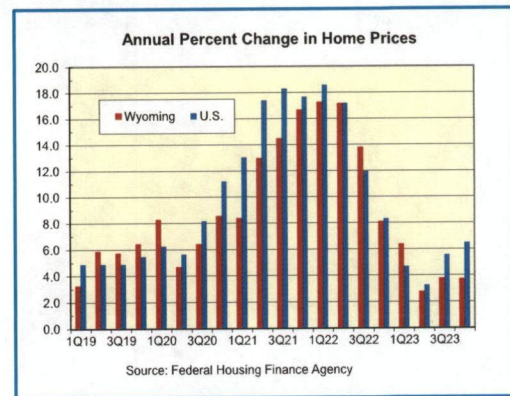
Personal Income and Earnings

Wyoming's total personal income increased 5.9 percent in the fourth quarter of 2023 compared to the fourth quarter of 2022. This growth rate was slightly lower than the previous quarter. U.S. personal income increased 4.8 percent during the same period. Personal income is the income received by all residents from all sources. It is the sum of wage, salary, and proprietors' earnings; property income (dividends, interest, and rent); and personal transfer receipts such as Social Security income, Medicare and Medicaid benefits, unemployment insurance compensation, and other income benefits and assistance. Total earnings in the state grew 7.8 percent annually in the quarter, while property income grew 5.0 percent. Earnings in nearly all sectors demonstrated expansions from a year ago, led by professional & business services (16.9%) and the construction industry (13.9%). Leisure & hospitality grew 9.4 percent. The only decline was information (-5.4%).

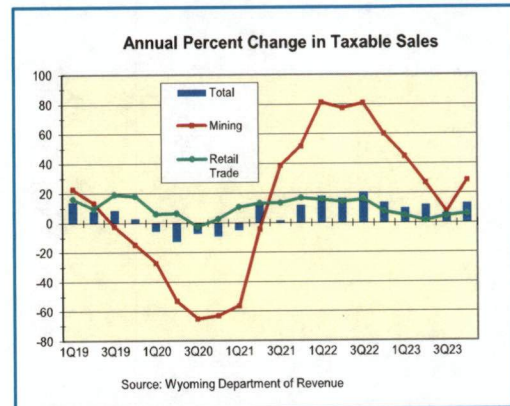


Housing

The statewide single-family home price increased 3.7 percent in the fourth quarter of 2023 compared to one year ago, similar to the growth rate of the previous quarter. The national average price appreciation accelerated to 6.5 percent during the same period. In Wyoming, single-family building permits for new privately-owned residential construction in the fourth quarter of 2023 were 20.6 percent lower than the previous year, while multi-family units decreased 72.5 percent.

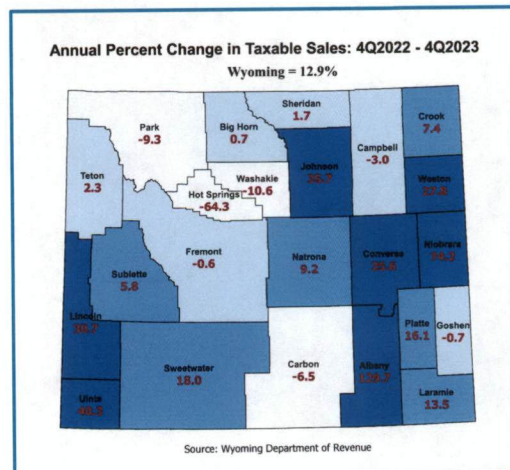


The U.S. housing market entered a slump in the summer of 2022 after the Federal Reserve quickly ended the real-estate boom that was driven by the pandemic and record-low interest rates. Many indicators continued to be weak with existing-home sales near 20 year lows. However, home prices reached new highs because of near record low inventories. High mortgage rates are the principal reason for the low number of sales. Rising interest rates increase the cost of buying a home and can make it harder to qualify for a mortgage. After falling slightly in the second half of 2022, U.S. average home prices rebounded and even accelerated somewhat in 2023 due to the condition of tight supply. House prices are expected to remain relatively stable or may taper off as low affordability cools down demand.



Taxable Sales

Based on sales and use tax collections, total taxable sales in the state expanded 12.9 percent to \$6.4 billion in the fourth quarter of 2023 in a year-over-year comparison, and the growth rate was higher than the first three quarters. This strong expansion was mostly attributed to new wind power projects and the ongoing rebound in mining activities. Increases occurred in a vast majority of economic sectors. Utilities demonstrated the fastest growth, 82.3 percent, followed by the mining industry, 28.4%. Construction, manufacturing, rental & leasing, and professional & business services all demonstrated double-digit increases. The leisure & hospitality sector showed a growth rate of 8.1 percent. Retail trade, the largest in terms of taxable sales, increased 6.0 percent. Wholesale trade and information are the only sectors that experienced declines.



Across the state, 16 out of 23 counties experienced increases in taxable sales in a year over year comparison, led by Albany (129.7%). Niobrara and Uinta counties also showed expansions of 74.2 percent and 40.3 percent, respectively. Only three counties experienced large declines in a year-over-year comparison, partially due to the result of tax refund.

Tourism

The number of recreational visitations to Yellowstone National Park reached 354,000 in the fourth quarter of 2023, up 24.2 percent from the previous year, while 344,204 visits to Grand Teton National Park showed an increase of 24.1 percent. The oldest national park, Yellowstone, was closed on June 13, 2022 due to severe flooding, and it reopened nine days later with limited admission through the fall. Though the annual comparison was affected by the weather incident in the previous year, the fourth quarter Yellowstone park visitation was still the third highest in history, only lower than the COVID impacted fourth quarters of 2020 and 2021.

Lodging sales for the fourth quarter were 25.4 percent higher than a year ago in Teton County, and increased 18.1 percent for the state as a whole.

Agriculture

After dropping to the lowest level in roughly 10 years, the index of prices farmers received for all U.S. livestock and products has rebounded quickly since the third quarter of 2020. The index retreated to 137.3 in the fourth quarter, but was still 11.0 percent higher than a year ago. Farm earnings in Wyoming have demonstrated a robust trend since the fourth quarter of 2021. The third quarter of 2023 amount was 6.8 percent higher than the previous quarter, and 15.4 percent higher than the prior year, perhaps attributed to reduced production expenses.

According to the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, the U.S. cattle prices rose sharply in 2023 because of persistent low herd inventories. Interest rates on farm loans remains high, but farm finances were still firm and credit stress was low. The continuing resiliency of financial conditions, with strong income and capital supported farm loan payment. In addition, the value of agricultural land remained stable.

Revenue

Benefiting from the higher interest environment, the amount of investment income distributed to the state general fund, including income from the Permanent Wyoming Mineral Trust Fund (PWMTF) and state agency pooled income accounts amounted to \$111.9 million in the fourth quarter of 2023, an increase of 92.0 percent from the amount recorded a year ago. The boosts in the second quarters were due to the net realized capital gains being distributed at the end of each fiscal year, which is on June 30. The \$200.9 million in mineral severance taxes generated in the fourth quarter of 2023 was slightly higher than the previous quarter, but was 18.3 percent lower than the previous year, reflecting the retreat of both petroleum and natural gas prices. Severance taxes for the second half of 2023 were at the similar level to the pre-Russian invasion of Ukraine.

