

Memorandum

REPORT TO: Sustainability Board

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SUBJECT: 69th Montana Legislative Session Environmental Sustainability Recap

MEETING DATE: July 9, 2025

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Plan/Report/Study

RECOMMENDATION: 69th Montana Legislative Session Environmental Sustainability Recap

STRATEGIC PLAN: 1.3 Public Agencies Collaboration: Foster successful collaboration with other public agencies and build on these successes.

BACKGROUND: The 2025 Montana Legislative Session convened from January 6 through April 30, 2025. During the session, 1,769 bills were introduced, and 884 were passed by the Legislature.

City staff from all departments engaged in the process by reviewing legislation and providing input—either through formal testimony or coordination with Central House Strategies—on bills that could affect City operations or adopted plans.

As bill drafts became available, staff evaluated them for departmental relevance. A legislative core team met weekly to identify and prioritize key legislation. This work session will highlight the priority bills tracked with a focus on environmental sustainability throughout the session and outline how they are expected to impact City operations.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None.

ALTERNATIVES: As suggested by the Board.

FISCAL EFFECTS: None.

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