



## HELENA CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

March 19, 2025, 7:00PM

### Special Called Work Session

All Council members present.

#### 1. Review/Discussion of Police Chief Interviews and Recommendations

Of the twelve applications received, five were invited for interviews. Mayor Puckett, Council President Alice Lobell, Council Member Andy Healy, Dennis Wilson, Daniel Reid, and Dennis Hulsey served as the interview panel. The majority of the candidates interviewed today asked for anonymity during this process and will be discussed tonight as numbers 1-5. Alice Lobell, Andy Healy, and Mayor Puckett all agreed that the interviews went very well and all candidates were strong options. Hal Woodman spoke with his designee for the panel and agreed that the process went well. The panel unanimously agreed on candidate number 5, with the second highest being candidate number 2. Council also agreed with a general consensus that candidate number 5 would be the best option.

During the council meeting immediately following, council will make a motion for the Mayor to extend an offer to candidate number 5, with the plan to appoint on 04/14/2025. If for any reason candidate number 5 declines the offer, another offer will be extended to candidate number 2.

#### 2. Confirmation of Following Meeting

Next meeting to begin immediately following this work session; and the next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Monday, 03/24/2025.

There being no further business the work session was dismissed at 7:13 pm.

ATTEST:

Madison Harris  
City Clerk

SIGNED:

Alice Lobell  
Council President



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**MINUTES HELENA CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
March 19, 2025**

The Council of the City of Helena met in a special called meeting on Wednesday night, March 19, 2025, in the Helena Municipal Building at 7:15 P.M., regular place and time for holding said meetings.

Council President Alice Lobell called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M.

Chaplain Mike Rodgers led the prayer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Harold Woodman.

**Roll Call**

Present: Alice Lobell, Andy Healy, Chris Willis, Laura Joseph, Harold Woodman

Members: Alice Lobell, Andy Healy, Chris Willis, Laura Joseph, Harold Woodman

Absent:

Visitors: City Attorney Brian Hayes, Mayor Brian Puckett, Dan Dearing, Fire Captain Ed Lindsey, and others

Council President Alice Lobell declared a quorum present, and meeting was open for business.

**5. Discussion/Offer to Potential Police Chief Candidate**

**Andy Healy** made a motion to approve Mayor Puckett Extending an Offer to Candidate Number 5, with a second by **Chris Willis**. If for some reason Candidate Number 5 declines, the offer will then be extended to Candidate Number 2.

AYE: Alice Lobell, Andy Healy, Chris Willis, Laura Joseph, Harold Woodman

NAY: None

Motion carried.

**6. Council Comments**

**Alice Lobell:** None

**Laura Joseph:** None

**Chris Willis:** None

**Andy Healy:** None

**Harold Woodman:** None

**7. Adjourn**

There being no further business meeting was adjourned at 7:18 pm.

ATTEST:

Madison Harris  
City Clerk

SIGNED:

Alice Lobell  
Council President