

A special meeting of the Alma Downtown Development Authority (ADDA) was held at the Alma Municipal Building at 6:00 p.m.

Authority members present: Nancy Gallagher, Ken Kline, Greg Mapes, Brent Moeggenborg, Canyon Platt, and Andy Shafley.

Authority members absent: Joe Ahern, Stacey Ensz, Donna Kolar, and Katie Tobias.

Chairperson Moeggenborg called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. A quorum of the Authority was present.

Motion by Mapes, seconded by Shafley, to approve minutes of the October 22, 2025, meeting, as presented.

Motion carried.

Yes: Gallagher, Kline, Mapes, Moeggenborg, Platt, and Shafley.

No: none.

Absent: Ahern, Ensz, Kolar, and Tobias.

Parking Lots – Rehab Option – Crush & Reshape

City Manager Aeris Ripley presented options provided by OHM for “crush and reshape” of downtown parking lots #1 and #6. He explained that this option would provide better opportunities for correcting low elevations, adding more soil, and preventing drainage issues, but is more expensive than the previously discussed “mill and fill”. He added that both options would have an approximate life expectancy of three to five years.

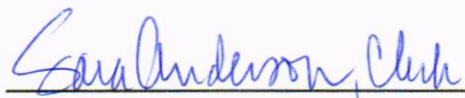
Ripley told the group that in addition to meeting with an engineer from OHM, he had also met with Joe Butcher to discuss drainage management. Ripley provided maps of the current lines and explained the options Mr. Butcher suggested.

The group debated the merits of the three options: complete reconstruction, crush and reshape, or mill and fill. Shafley pointed out that funding is not available for complete reconstruction and suggested mill and fill as the appropriate action given the estimated costs of all three options. Discussion followed regarding the issues that arose from the mill and fill behind the Opera House block.

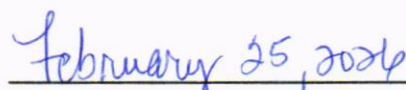
Ripley explained that he had also met with Ryan Smith to talk about tying into roof drains, but Ripley suggested flow studies and calculations would be necessary to avoid causing more flooding at River and Downie. Additional discussion followed regarding flooding issues at River and Downie, possible underground retention structures, and possible funding mechanisms for future parking lot maintenance.

Ripley told the group that he would set up public meetings and merchant meetings and present the three options for feedback, as well as options for funding mechanisms for future maintenance. Brief discussion followed regarding the need for parking options in the downtown area.

Motion by Shafley, seconded by Platt, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried with all ayes.



Sara Anderson, Alma City Clerk


Date of Approval