



ANNUAL REPORT 2023

City of Powell



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<p>39 resolutions</p>	<p>36 ordinances</p>	<p>541 number of parks & rec programs</p>	<p>6.4 inches snow accumulation</p>
<p>1,709 preventative patrols</p>	<p>21,302 police calls for service</p>	<p>3,025 parks & rec participants</p>	<p>133 commercial permits issued</p>
<p>30 projects reviewed</p>	<p>583 residential permits issued</p>	<p>30 reviewed</p>	<p>30 reviewed</p>

BY THE NUMBERS



Letter from the City Manager Andrew White & Mayor Tom Counts

It is a privilege to serve as your City Manager and an honor to present the 2023 Annual Report for the City of Powell. This report highlights major accomplishments and initiatives over the past year along with key financial information. As we reflect on 2023, I am proud of the plans and projects that are moving ahead thanks to the income tax restructuring. These fiscal changes went into effect Jan. 1, 2022, and continue to make the lives of our residents and businesses easier and better.

Priority 1: Capital Infrastructure

In 2023, we adopted the 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Thanks to the CIP funding policy, which allocates 25 percent of the prior year's municipal tax revenue to the Capital Projects Fund, the adopted CIP allocates more than \$48 million toward improvements to City infrastructure through 2028. The plan is updated annually. The tax restructuring allows the City to put funds towards public safety, infrastructure, and our businesses.

This revenue will support the city's top-rated safety services and amenities, and will allow the Keep Powell Moving plan to continue its infrastructure improvements such as developing roadway connections and improving bike paths that run through the city. For the past three years, the city has made the largest investment in street and path maintenance in Powell history, making it easier for residents to travel across our community.

The Adventure Park pickleball courts, another priority project for the public, is moving forward due to CIP funds with a completion date of Fall 2024.

Priority 2: Operational Efficiency

In 2023, the City welcomed several new staff members, allowing Powell to continue offering the events and amenities residents have come to know and expect. City Council also approved funds for the redesign of the city website. Investments were also made in information technology infrastructure and fleet management and maintenance. The Parks and Recreation Department hosted record numbers of residents with a wide variety of programs and presentations for all ages, and continues to add programming to meet an ever-growing demand.

The city also experienced many events this year that enhance the quality of life in Powell – including the biggest and most popular Powell Festival on record! Residents continue to reinforce that quality, community-building events are one of the reasons they enjoy calling Powell home.

We continue to refine our processes and procedures to ensure all interactions with the city, from public service to police, run smoothly.

Priority 3: Public Safety

In 2023, The Powell Police Department promoted Deputy Chief Ron Sallows to Chief of Police. He has served the City of Powell for more than two decades and is looking forward to leading the department as it grows.

The Powell Police Department has been an accredited police agency since 2002 through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA). Most recently, the Police Department went through the CALEA assessment process and was awarded with the Advanced Accreditation for Law Enforcement with Excellence.

Being an accredited police agency assists in strengthening crime prevention, formalizing essential management procedures, establishing fair personnel practices, improving service delivery, solidifying interagency cooperation, and increasing community confidence in the agency.

Priority 4: Economic and Community Development

At the end of 2023, our City Administration welcomed Powell's first Economic Development Administrator. The City continues to evaluate the need for continued development downtown, through the redevelopment of the area around Village Green Park. As traffic has become less of an issue, many residents now want any future efforts to revitalize downtown to focus on preserving the area's small-town charm and adding pedestrian-friendly features and other quality of life amenities.

City Council continues to understand the wishes of the community as we continue working on the city's five-year Capital Improvement Plan and establish goals and priorities for the future. These capital improvements involve a park master planning process, as well as a wayfinding project to provide clearer directions on our streets and paths throughout the City.

We look forward to seeing you at one of our many upcoming events this year. Connect with us online by following the city on Facebook, Instagram, or LinkedIn.

You're at Home in Powell. Welcome Home.



Andrew D. White
City Manager



Daniel Swartwout
Mayor, 2022-2023
Thank you for your valuable contributions



Tom Counts
Mayor, 2024-2025

ATTEND in 2024

Candy by the Carload
Sunday, October 27

Veterans Day Ceremony
Friday, November 8

Holidays in Powell
Saturday, December 7

Scan here for parks and recreation programming:



2023 Powell City Council

Top Row (L-R): Jon Bennehoof, Brian Lorenz, Vice Mayor Tom Counts, Ferzan Ahmed
Bottom Row (L-R): Christina Drummond, Mayor Daniel Swartwout, Heather Karr



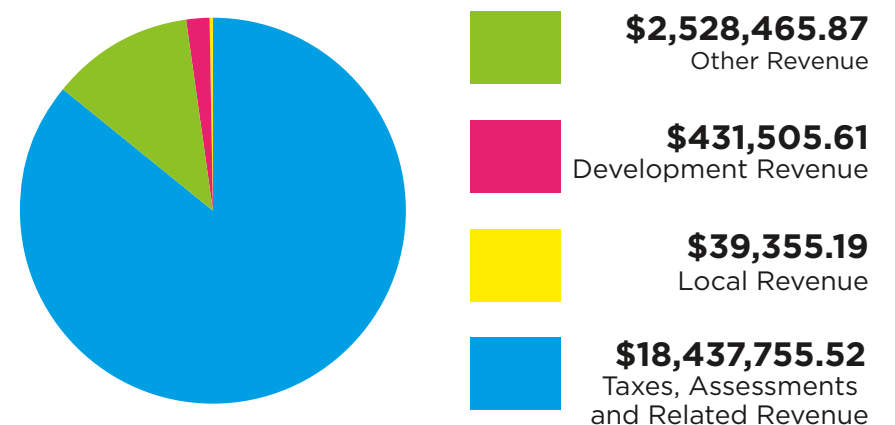
2024 Powell City Council

Top Row (L-R): Leif Carlson, David Lester, Tyler Herrmann, Ferzan Ahmed
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2023 FINANCIALS

2023 General Fund Revenues

Revenue Total: \$21,437,082.19



2023 General Fund Expenses

Expense Total: \$14,542,048.61

