



April 30, 2026

Mayor White and Members of the Lander City Council
City of Lander
240 Lincoln Street
Lander, WY 82520

Re: Notice of Termination of MOU and Return of Lodging Tax Administration

Dear Mayor White and Members of the City Council,

Please accept this letter as formal written notice that the Lander Chamber of Commerce is terminating the current Memorandum of Understanding between the Chamber and the City of Lander, pursuant to the termination provision of that agreement. Accordingly, termination will become effective thirty (30) days from delivery of this notice, on May 30, 2026. As part of this transition, the Chamber acknowledges that it will no longer receive the City's annual contribution under the MOU following its termination.

Additionally, the Chamber will return the administration of Tourism Asset Development (TAD) funds and related program responsibilities to the City, including transferring all remaining TAD funds, records, files, and administrative materials in its possession. The Chamber believes public dollars and public fund administration are best overseen by public entities. We are prepared to work with the City to ensure that an orderly transition of those responsibilities takes place in a professional and timely manner. Please let us know who from City staff should serve as the primary point of contact for coordinating the transfer of these funds, records, and administrative responsibilities.

The Chamber remains committed to serving our business community and visitors going forward, including continued operation of the visitor center in a manner consistent with the Chamber's mission and priorities. We are grateful for the partnership the Chamber has shared with the City over the years, including the opportunity to support visitor services, tourism promotion, and community activity in Lander.

This decision is not a withdrawal from community partnership, but a step toward clearer roles and responsibilities so that each institution can focus on the work it is best suited to perform.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Fabel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brian Fabel
Executive Director,
Lander Chamber of Commerce,
100 N 1st Street, Lander, WY 82520
307-332-3892

Received: 4/30/24
10:13 A.M.
Rachel Fontaine-Clerk

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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE LANDER
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE CITY OF LANDER**

1. This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as “MOU”) is made and entered into by and between and the LANDER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE of Lander, Wyoming, hereinafter referred to as “Chamber”, whose address is 100 North 1st Street, Lander, WY 82520 and The City of Lander, hereinafter referred to as “City”, whose address is 240 Lincoln Street, Lander, WY 82520.
2. The purpose of this MOU is to outline certain services the Chamber will furnish to the City; and conversely the City shall provide services and financial support to the Chamber. Both parties agree herein that any and all services provided by each party shall be mutually beneficial.
3. This MOU shall commence upon the day and date last signed and executed by the duly authorized representatives of the parties to this MOU and remain in effect for a term of 4 years until June 30, 2028, or until terminated in writing by either party as hereinafter set forth.
4. The Chamber shall provide the following:
 - a. Promotion and Marketing
 - i. The Chamber shall market Lander as a premier destination for travel, business, and events. This includes promotion of and to chamber members, local businesses, visitor services, and tourism support.
 - ii. Provide City with advertising information for Chamber events and functions for the digital signs by filling out the City application.
 - b. Visitor Support Services
 - i. The Chamber shall provide welcome bags for events, distribute visitor information packets, and produce an annual travel and relocation guide.
 - ii. The Chamber shall operate the Lander Visitor Center Monday through Friday and additionally on Saturdays from Memorial Day through September, maintain public restrooms, and ensure their accessibility during business hours.
 - c. Reporting and Financial Management
 - i. The Chamber shall provide quarterly updates to City staff and council on visitor services, including in-office contacts, welcome bags, and visitor information packets.
 - ii. The Chamber shall responsibly manage the City’s annual contribution of \$15,000 for the services outlined in this MOU. The Chamber may present a budget request in excess of \$15,000 during the City’s annual budget process.

- iii. The Chamber shall responsibly manage the Tourism Asset Development (TAD) Grant budget and program with a review committee as allowed for in the WRVC TAD Program.
 - iv. The Chamber will keep City staff and council members informed of news, functions, and events.
 - v. The Chamber will allow the council liaison to attend Chamber meetings as long as there is a financial obligation
5. The City shall provide the following:
- a. Promotion and Marketing:
 - i. Recognize the Lander Chamber of Commerce as the City's official business organization.
 - ii. Display Chamber events and functions on digital signs, as requested by Chamber staff, at no fee.
 - b. Visitor Support Services:
 - i. Refer inquiries regarding welcome bags, visitor information packets, and travel and relocation guides to the Chamber.
 - ii. Recognize the Lander Chamber of Commerce as the City's official visitor center and provider of tourism support services.
 - c. Reporting and Financial Management:
 - i. Add Chamber of Commerce to City Council agendas to provide updates upon request of the Chamber.
 - ii. Make an annual contribution of no less than \$15,000 for the services outlined in this MOU. The Chamber may present a budget request in excess of \$15,000 during the City's annual budget process.
 - iii. The City will provide a member for the Tourism Asset Development review committee.
 - iv. Provide the Chamber with updated contact information for City staff and council members annually so they are kept up to date on news, functions, and events.
 - v. The City will provide a council liaison to Chamber board as long as there is a financial obligation.

6. PRINCIPAL CONTACTS OF THE PARTIES

City of Lander

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Lander Chamber of Commerce

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7. GENERAL PROVISIONS

a. Amendments. This MOU constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto. This MOU may be modified, altered, revised, extended or renewed by mutual written consent of all parties, by the issuance of a written amendment, signed and dated by all the parties.

b. Applicable Law. The constitution, interpretation and enforcement of this MOU shall be governed by the laws of the State of Wyoming. The courts of the State of Wyoming shall have jurisdiction over any action arising out of this MOU and over the parties, and the venue shall be the District Court of Fremont County, Wyoming.

c. Termination. This MOU may be terminated without cause by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice, which notice shall be delivered by hand or by certified mail.

d. Entirety of Agreement. This MOU, consisting of Four (4) pages, represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations and agreements, whether written or oral.

e. Severability. Should any portion of this MOU be judicially determined to be illegal or unenforceable, the remainder of the MOU shall continue in full force and effect, and either party may renegotiate the terms affected by the severance.

f. Sovereign Immunity. The City does not waive its Governmental Immunity, as provided by any applicable law including W.S. §1-39-101 et seq. by entering into this MOU. Further, the City of Lander fully retains all immunities and defenses provided by law with regard to any action, whether in tort, contract or any other theory of law, based on this MOU, available to it pursuant to W.S. §1-39-104 (a) and all other state law.

SIGNATURES ON NEXT PAGE

SIGNATURES. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this MOU, through their duly authorized representatives, have executed this MOU on the days and dates set out below, and certify that they have read, understood and agreed to the terms and conditions of this MOU as set forth herein.

The effective date of this MOU is the date of the signatures last affixed to this page.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this agreement at Lander, Wyoming on the dates indicated below.

CITY OF LANDER:

BY:



Monte Richardson

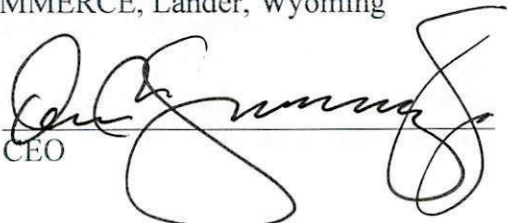
ATTEST:



Rachelle Fontaine, City Clerk

LANDER CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE, Lander, Wyoming

BY:



CEO 1/25/24

ATTEST:



Title: witness