

City of Sidney Local Government Review

2024 Timetable

November 18th, 2024: Richland County Commissioners Certify Election Results, Elected Board Members take Oath of Office at City Council meeting.

November 21st, 2024: Study Commission meets to organize, elect temporary presiding officer until a permanent presiding officer is selected. Discuss when, where, how to meet, develop budget, decide whether to cooperate with another jurisdiction and consider consolidation or collaboration of services (MCA 7-3-179 & 7-3-180).

December 10th, 2024: MSU Local Government Center hosts study commissioner training in Sidney, MT.

December 2024 to November 2026: Study commission reviews power, form, and plan of government. Either chooses “no change” or makes recommendation to voters by November election in 2026 (MCA 7-3-192 and 7-3-149). Within 60 days of adoption of the Local Government Review report, submits reports to appropriate agencies and publishes findings (MCA 7-3-187 through 191)