

# **RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA**

## **RESOLUTION NO. 19994**

### **A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM THE PAD FOR PAWS FOUNDATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF PAWS PARK, A DOG PARK TO BE LOCATED IN CENTENNIAL PARK**

**WHEREAS**, dog parks are popular recreational areas where owners may safely exercise their dogs and develop their pets' social skills in fenced, off-leash areas;

**WHEREAS**, the City Parks Department has been working with a volunteer committee to design and raise funds for a dog park in Centennial Park;

**WHEREAS**, while the City is contributing to the cost of the dog park, additional private partnership funds are necessary;

**WHEREAS**, the Pad for Paws Foundation is committed to enhancing the welfare of domestic animals in our community, and support of a dog park is consistent with the Foundation's mission;

**WHEREAS**, the Pad for Paws Foundation is committed to the construction of Paws Park and will donate \$25,000 to the City of Helena to assist with construction funding for Paws Park, a dog park to be located in Centennial Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the City-County Parks Board, on March 6, 2013, unanimously voted in favor of a recommendation to the Helena City Commission to enter into a Letter of Understanding with the

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Pad for Paws Foundation for the acceptance of a \$25,000 donation for Paws Park and to allow the Foundation to be recognized as a named sponsor.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA:**

**Section 1.** The City of Helena and its Parks and Recreation Department hereby acknowledge, understand, and agree to the terms of the January 31, 2013 "Letter of Understanding" from the Pad for Paws Foundation, a copy of which is attached hereto, with respect to its offered donation of \$25,000.00 to the City of Helena for construction of Paws Park in Centennial Park.

**Section 2.** In accordance with that Letter of Understanding, the Centennial Park dog park shall be named and designated "PAWS PARK, sponsored by The Pad for Paws Foundation" upon its completion, and the City of Helena will establish appropriate dog park rules of operation allowing off-leash socialization and animal and owner play, emphasizing the safety of the animal and human participants.

**PASSED AND EFFECTIVE BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA, THIS 8th DAY OF APRIL, 2013.**

**ATTEST:** /S/ James E. Smith  
MAYOR

/S/ Debbie Havens  
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION