RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA

RESOLUTION NO. <u>19813</u>

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO ESTABLISH A FEE TO BE CHARGED TO PLOT USERS IN THE WAUKESHA COMMUNITY GARDEN

WHEREAS, the City of Helena is committed to providing gardening opportunities for the physical and social benefit of city residents; and

WHEREAS, the City's Parks and Recreation Department has managed the community garden plots in Waukesha Park since the 1970's; and

WHEREAS, the fee has been $20.00 per plot as established by Resolution No. 9510 on April 11, 1983, and the 43 usable plots generate approximately $860.00 in annual revenue; and

WHEREAS, the cost to the City for irrigating the Waukesha Community Garden is $3,500 to $4,000 per summer; and

WHEREAS, there is an annual "waiting list" of people wishing to use garden plots.

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

Section 1. That it is the intention of the City of Helena to limit garden plot use in Waukesha Park to city residents only and increase the plot user fee in an effort to recover a greater portion of the irrigation costs and become more consistent with

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other community garden user fees. The proposed plot user fee is shown below.

	Current	Proposed
Per plot for one gardening season	$ 20.00	$ 40.00

Section 2. The following definitions apply for purposes of this resolution only:

"Resident" is any person who resides within the city limits of the City of Helena.

"Non-resident" is any person who does not reside within the city limits of the City of Helena.

Section 3. A public hearing on the proposed plot user fee for the community gardens at Waukesha Park will be held before the Helena City Commission in its chambers at 316 North Park Avenue in Helena, Montana, on **the 28th day of February, 2011, at 6:00 p.m.**

PASSED AND EFFECTIVE BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA, THIS 14th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2011.

/S/ James E. Smith
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/S/ Debbie Havens
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION