

# RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA

## RESOLUTION NO. 20192

### A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO INCREASE FARES AND CHARGES FOR ALL CUSTOMERS OF THE CITY OF HELENA TRANSIT SYSTEM

**WHEREAS**, the City of Helena operates the Helena Area Transit Service that provides public transportation services;

**WHEREAS**, customers of the Helena Area Transit Service currently pay fares for bus services that contribute toward covering the costs of providing those services; and

**WHEREAS**, fare increases are necessary to adjust for inflation in the cost of providing this service; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears to be in the best interests of the City of Helena and the inhabitants thereof that the fares and charges imposed upon transit customers be increased.

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

**Section 1.** It is the intention of the Helena City Commission to increase fares and charges as shown below for all transit customers using the Helena Area Transit Service to cover current costs of providing public transportation services:

	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
<b><u>One-Way Fares:</u></b>		
Age 6 and Under	Free	Free
Fixed Routes	\$0.85	\$ 1.00
ADA Para-Transit (in advance)	\$0.85	\$ 2.00
ADA Para-Transit (Same day)	\$0.85	\$ 4.00

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\*ADA Para-Transit eligible customers can ride fixed route for \$.50 cents with eligibility card.

**One-Way Passes (Fixed = 1 punch, ADA Para-transit = 2 punches, same day ADA Para-transit = 4 punches):**

10 Punch Pass	N/A	\$ 9.50
20 Punch Pass	N/A	\$18.00
30 Punch Pass	N/A	\$25.50
All Day Fixed Route Pass	N/A	\$ 3.00

**One-Way Tokens (Fixed = 1 token, ADA Para-transit = 2 tokens, same day ADA Para-transit = 4 tokens):**

One Token	\$0.85	\$ 1.00
10 Tokens	\$8.50	\$ 9.50
20 Tokens	\$17.00	\$18.00
30 Tokens	\$25.50	\$25.50

**Monthly Per Bus Advertising Rate:**

Interior or Exterior	Various	\$10.00/sf
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**Section 3.** Whenever the Helena Area Transit Service makes an error that greatly inconveniences a passenger, a complimentary pass or token, good for one free ride, may be issued to the passenger. Circumstances that may warrant the issuance of a complimentary pass include:

- Vehicle arrival more than 30 minutes beyond the scheduled pick-up time;
- Passenger was inadvertently left off the schedule;

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- Passenger was stranded on a broken down vehicle for more than 30 minutes; or
- Other incidents as approved by the Transit Service Supervisor.

**Section 4.** The City may negotiate different pay arrangements and packages for any entity that wishes to purchase transit rides in bulk.

**Section 5.** These rates would be effective beginning January 1, 2016.

**Section 6.** A public hearing on this matter will be held on the **24th day of August, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Commission Chambers at the City-County Building, 316 North Park Avenue, Helena, Montana, so that all interested parties may appear and express their opinions of approval or disapproval.

**PASSED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA,  
THIS 10th DAY OF AUGUST, 2015.**

**/S/ JAMES E. SMITH**  
**MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

**/S/ DEBBIE HAVENS**  
**CLERK OF THE COMMISSION**