

RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA

RESOLUTION NO. 20482

A RESOLUTION SPECIFYING THE ASSESSMENT OPTION FOR THE OPEN SPACE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019, LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT AGAINST ALL PROPERTY WITHIN THE DISTRICT, AND AMENDING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 19439, passed on January 29, 2007, created the Open Space Maintenance District No. 1 ("District") to protect, maintain, preserve, restore, and care for the City of Helena's open space lands and natural parks so as to enhance Helena's beauty and environment for the greater benefit of the community;

WHEREAS, the property in the District must be assessed to defray the cost of open space maintenance, each lot or parcel in the District to be assessed by the square-foot area of impervious area on each lot or parcel in the District;

WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interest of the City of Helena and the inhabitants thereof that certain public property within the District be excluded from the assessment;

WHEREAS, the exclusion of the impervious area for private streets within licensed mobile home parks would be consistent with the City's policy to promote all types of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the Commission on August 27, 2018, in the City Commission Chambers, 316 North Park Avenue,

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in Helena, Montana.

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

Section 1. To defray the costs of maintaining the District for fiscal year 2019 the City of Helena hereby levies an assessment on all property within the district as follows: a.

\$17.78 minimum charge on all lots or parcels of land, plus;

b. \$0.00332 per square foot of impervious area in excess of 2,222 square feet, with a 50% assessment reduction for lots or parcels of land which qualify for the State of Montana Property Tax Assistance Program under Title 15, Chapter 6, MCA.

Section 2. For purposes of this assessment:

a. Impervious Area is the developed part of a lot or parcel that is impermeable to storm water infiltration, excluding:

i. all rights-of-way and publicly owned streets, runways, and taxiways;

ii. all privately-owned streets within licensed mobile home parks; and

iii. City-owned stormwater facilities, water storage reservoirs, and public utility sites.

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b. Single parcels are those parcels that are combined under common ownership and use and are assigned a single state-issued property ID number.

Section 3. The Open Space Maintenance District No.1 boundary is amended to include all lots or parcels of land within the exterior boundaries of the City of Helena and all lots or parcels of land annexed into the City, up to and including the date of adoption of this resolution.

PASSED AND EFFECTIVE BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA, THIS 27th DAY OF AUGUST, 2018.

/S/ WILMOT J. COLLINS
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/S/ DEBBIE HAVENS
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION