

RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA

RESOLUTION NO. 20563

A RESOLUTION SPECIFYING THE ASSESSMENT OPTION FOR THE SPECIAL URBAN FOREST MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2020 AND 2021 AND LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT ON ALL PROPERTIES WITHIN THE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, § 7-11-1003, MCA, authorizes the City Commission to create special districts by resolution whenever the public convenience and necessity may require;

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2010, the City Commission passed Resolution No. 19802 creating the Urban Forest Management District ("District");

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 19802 the purpose of the District is to manage and maintain public trees on public rights-of-way and in City-owned public parks so as to enhance Helena's beauty and environment for the greater benefit of the community;

WHEREAS, District management activities include removing, pruning, planting, replacement, preservation, education, coordination, and community outreach and education;

WHEREAS, § 7-11-1025, MCA, requires the City Commission to pass and finally adopt a resolution specifying the special district assessment option and levying an assessment on all the properties within the District;

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WHEREAS, § 7-11-1024, MCA, authorized the City Commission to assess the properties within the District using any combination of the assessment options provided by statute;

WHEREAS, the City Commission has estimated, as near as practicable, the cost of maintaining, monitoring, and improving the District for fiscal years 2020 and 2021;

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that all properties within the District derive substantially equivalent benefit from the District; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on this resolution was held by the City Commission on August 26, 2019, in the City Commission Chambers, 316 North Park Avenue, in Helena, Montana.

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

Section 1. The total assessment needed to fund the estimated annual cost of the District for fiscal year 2020 is \$425,953. The total assessment needed to fund the estimated annual cost of the District for fiscal year 2021 is \$425,953. To defray these costs, the City Commission hereby levies an assessment against all properties within the District according to the following methodology:

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| | FY2020 | FY2021 |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| All properties | | |
| Annual assessment | \$39.00 | \$39.00 |

Section 2. A list of properties subject to this assessment is maintained by the Finance Department for the City of Helena. The lots or parcels of land to be assessed are represented by the property tax identification number (ID) assigned by the State of Montana, Department of Revenue. One property ID may contain multiple lots or parcels. The list includes the description of the lots or parcels of land, the name of the owner, if known, and the amount levied thereon. The list is available at the Finance Department for the City of Helena, 316 North Park Avenue, Helena, Montana, and is available upon request for inspection and copying during normal business hours.

**PASSED AND EFFECTIVE BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA,
THIS 26TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2019.**

**/S/ WILMOT J. COLLINS
MAYOR**

ATTEST:

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