

RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA

RESOLUTION NO. 20297

A RESOLUTION SPECIFYING THE ASSESSMENT METHOD OPTION FOR SPECIAL URBAN FOREST MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 AND LEVYING AND ASSESSING ALL PROPERTY WITHIN THE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, a special city-wide Urban Forest Management District was created in order to plant, protect, maintain, preserve, and care for 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; and

WHEREAS, the lots or parcels of land in the District must be assessed to defray the cost of planting, protecting, maintaining, preserving, and caring for public trees on public rights-of-way and in city-owned public parks based on equal basis for each lot or parcel; and

WHEREAS, a list of all lots or parcels of land assessed, with the name of the owner thereof, if known, description of the lots or parcels of land and the amount levied thereon set opposite, is maintained by the Department of Administrative Services for the City of Helena; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on this resolution on the 22nd day of August, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. on the Commission Chambers in the City-County Building at 316 North Park Avenue in Helena, Montana.

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

Section 1. ESTIMATE OF COSTS AND METHOD OF FINANCING: The estimated annual cost of the program and improvements and therefore the assessment needed for fiscal year 2017 is \$260,000. Since the Commission finds that the benefits derived from the urban forest management program are substantially equivalent, the cost of the program is to be assessed equally to each lot or parcel located within the special district at a rate of \$21.00 per lot or parcel.

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**PASSED AND EFFECTIVE BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA,
THIS 22nd DAY OF AUGUST, 2016.**

/S/ JAMES E. SMITH
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/S/ DEBBIE HAVENS
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION