RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA

RESOLUTION NO. 20766

A RESOLUTION SPECIFYING THE ASSESSMENT OPTION FOR THE SPECIAL URBAN FOREST MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 AND LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT ON ALL PROPERTIES WITHIN THE

WHEREAS, MCA § 7-11-1003 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 (2010), 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;

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

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WHEREAS, MCA § 7-11-1024 authorizes the City Commission to assess the properties within the District using a 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 year 2023;

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 22, 2022, in the Commission Chambers at 316 North Park Avenue in Helena, Montana, at 6:00 P.M. and via Zoom Meeting at webinar ID: https://zoom.us./j/92797897907.

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 2023 is approximately \$508,700. The assessment option for fiscal year 2023 is as follows:

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	FY2022	FY2023
Annual assessment	\$39.00	\$39.00

Section 2. A list of those properties subject to this proposed assessment, which includes the name of the owner, if known, 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.

Section 3. If a property is not chargeable for the assessment described above by reason of state or federal law, said property shall be exempt from the assessment.

PASSED AND EFFECTIVE BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA, THIS 22nd DAY OF AUGUST, 2022.

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CLERK OF THE COMMISSION