RESOLUTION 9598

A RESOLUTION LEVYING AND ASSESSING THE COST OF STREET MAINTENANCE FOR STREETS AND ALLEYS IN THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2007

WHEREAS:

A. the Commission of the City of Great Falls did provide for street maintenance by Ordinance 1687 (12.16.010, et seq., OCCGF) on September 7, 1971 in accordance with Sections 11-2263 through 11-2268, RCM, 1947 (now Section 7-12-4401 through 7-12-4427, MCA, 1989); and,

B. the Commission of the City of Great Falls did amend and expand the scope of Street Maintenance services authorized by final passage and adoption of Ordinance 2584 on February 5, 1991, in accordance with Sections 7-12-4401 through 7-12-4427, MCA, 1989; and,

C. the Commission of the City of Great Falls hereby finds, fixes and determines that each and every lot or parcel within said district has been or will be specially benefited by said maintenance; and,

D. on July 18, 2006, the Commission of the City of Great Falls adopted its annual budget resolution in which the estimated costs of maintenance, not offset by other revenues, in the Street Maintenance District at TWO MILLION THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE DOLLARS ($2,387,479).

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

Section 1 – Continuance
The City of Great Falls continue to maintain streets in the Street Maintenance Districts.
Section 2 – Assessment Authorization
Section 7-12-4428, M.C.A., authorizes the City Commission to assess the cost of the work, improvements, and maintenance authorized by 7-12-4405 against the property in maintenance districts in the manner and as provided in 7-12-4421 and 7-12-4422 to meet the payments required to be made each year.

Section 7-12-4404, M.C.A., authorizes the City Commission to provide maintenance by contract in such manner as the commission may elect. Accordingly, the City may opt to enter into an interlocal agreement for maintenance of sections of City streets adjacent to land owned by other governments or their agencies. Assessments in such areas include a 7.5% administrative fee as well as the annual contracted cost of maintenance. The maintenance cost portion is to be agreed upon by the City and the contracting entity.

Section 3 – Assessment Option
In accordance with Sections 7-12-4422 and 7-12-4425, M.C.A., each lot or parcel of land within the Street Maintenance District shall be assessed according to its Assessable Area. Assessable area shall be set with a square footage cap of 12,000 square feet for residential property and properties categorized as non-profit/cemetery organizations 501(c)(13) as defined by the Internal Revenue Code, and a 1 million square feet cap for all other property. The Planning Department shall annually identify all mixed-use property equal to or greater than 112,000 square feet which are 50% or less commercially developed. Those mixed-use properties shall be assessed 50% commercial and 50% at capped residential.

Section 4 – Costs Assessed
The costs of said maintenance, not offset by other revenues, in the street maintenance district, totaling TWO MILLION THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE DOLLARS ($2,387,479), are hereby levied and assessed upon the property in said district for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. The description of each lot or parcel of land within the street maintenance district and the respective assessments are set forth in the records of the Fiscal Services Department of the City of Great Falls, Montana and by this reference incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

Section 5 – Assessment Method
The Street Maintenance District shall be assessed according to factors based on the property classification and square footage with caps.

No proration of the street maintenance assessment shall be made for any reason, including the fact that a particular property did not have paved streets for the entire taxable year.

Section 6 – Assessments Due Date
These assessments are payable in two payments and will become delinquent at 5:00 o’clock p.m. on November 30, 2006 and May 31, 2007.

Section 7 – Assessment Hearing
On August 15, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., in the Commission Chambers of the Civic Center Building, Great Falls, Montana, the Commission shall meet and hear all objections to the final adoption of this resolution.
Section 8 – Notice of Hearing
In accordance with Section 7-1-4127, the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to provide for two publications of the Notice of Resolution for Assessment with at least six days separating each publication. This publication of the Notice of Resolution for Assessment also complies with Section 7-12-4426, MCA, which requires publication of notice within 5 days preceding the assessment hearing.

PASSED by the Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, on this 15th day of August 2006.

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Dona R. Stebbins, Mayor

ATTEST:

Peggy Bourne, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)

Approved for Legal Content: City Attorney

State of Montana )
County of Cascade : ss
City of Great Falls )

I, Peggy Bourne, City Clerk of the City of Great Falls, Montana, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution 9598 was placed on its final passage and passed by the Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, at a meeting thereof held on the 15th day of August 2006, and approved by the Mayor of said City on the 15th day of August 2006.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said City this 15th day of August 2006.

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Peggy Bourne, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)
NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Great Falls City Commission in regular session on August 1, 2006, in the Commission Chambers, set a public hearing date for the regular Commission meeting on August 15, 2006, prior to acting upon Resolution 9598 entitled:

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The above-designated Resolution 9598 and the assessment list therein mentioned are on file in the office of the City Clerk, Peggy J. Bourne, (406) 455-8451 and the Fiscal Services Department, Judy Burg, (406) 455-8477 in the Civic Center Building, 2 Park Drive, Great Falls, MT and are subject to inspection for a period of ten (10) days. The City Commission will hear objections to the final adoption of said Resolution 9598 or any part thereof and the assessments therein provided for when convened in regular session in the Commission Chambers on August 15, 2006, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. at which time and place the City Commission will consider Resolution 9598 for final adoption.

/s/ Peggy Bourne, City Clerk

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