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My name is Shyla Patera. I reside at 1013 7th Avenue NW. I wish to submit comments on the proposed resolution 10346 .

The City of Great Falls need to study its community policies and ordinances so that people with disabilities can live in our homes and apartments not be placed in nursing homes or assisted living settings. We need to focus on visit ability and universal design in new construction, but we also need to focus on financing home modifications in older homes. I wish to commend the City Of Great Falls for its for its housing work regarding Montanans with disabilities and others in housing crisis to find more stability in their individual housing situations. However, we feel that more needs to be done regarding physical accessibility ,visit ability,and universal design both in our rental and homebuyer housing stock. The and City of Great Falls should undertake an assessment of not only its physical housing stock, but also the programs ,policies ,and partnerships it is forming to ensure that all are accessible and being utilized by those with disabilities that may need the programs most. Community shelters should be accessible to all including those with mobility ,sensory ,and chemical disabilities.

On the public infrastructure projects and subdivisions that are funded,designed, and planned, I hope projects that the City of Great Falls undertakes and private developers design and build will prioritize accessible curb cuts , contiguous sidewalks,alleyways as well. I t is my hope that community accessible streets policies will be studied , implemented, and financed. I hope that traffic signals and timing studies are undertaken as future community roadways are repaired. Roadways need wider shoulders on our interstates,urban roads and community connecter roads where possible. I believe Great Falls needs to a adopt policies on accessible way finding and signage, sidewalk pavement preservation and disability parking. I believe that we as a community are making efforts to improve accessibility through adoption of this manual.

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