#### NOTICE OF BUDGET INCREASE FROM PROPERTY TAXES

The City of Great Falls intends to budget an increase in revenue from property taxation by approximately 2.84%, as allowed by Section 15-10-420, MCA.

All concerned persons are invited and encouraged to attend a public hearing on budgeting the increased property tax revenue and on the budget as a whole to be held on July 21, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., City Commission Chambers, Civic Center Building.

A decision on budgeting the increased property tax revenue will be made after considering comments made at this hearing.

For further information, please contact: City Clerk's Office, Room 204, Civic Center, 455-8451.

Lisa Kunz City Clerk

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#### RESOLUTION NO. 10115 RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO INCREASE PROPERTY TAX FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2016

- **WHEREAS,** Section 15-10-203(1), MCA, requires the City to hold a public hearing and subsequently adopt a resolution of its intent to increase property tax revenue, prior to budgeting for any increase in property tax revenue from existing property, and
- **WHEREAS,** Section 15-10-420(1)(a), MCA, allows the City to increase its annual property tax levy by "one-half of the average rate of inflation for the prior 3 years", and
- WHEREAS, Section 15-10-420(1)(c), MCA, provides for the average rate of inflation to be calculated "using the consumer price index, U.S. City average, all urban consumers, using the 1982-1984 base of 100, as published by the bureau of labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor", and
- WHEREAS, the applicable consumer price indexes had a three year average of 1.34% and an allowed tax levy increase of .67% for Tax Year 2015, and
- **WHEREAS,** MCA 2-9-212(2)(a) excludes a portion of a governmental entity's property tax levy for premium contributions for group benefits from the mill levy calculation limitation provided for in 15-10-420.
- **WHEREAS,** MCA 2-9-212(2)(a) allows additional mill levy's for premium contributions for group benefits beyond the amount of contributions in effect.
- WHEREAS, the applicable contributions increase allows the City to levy additional mills under MCA 2-9-212(2)(a), an allowed tax levy increase of **2.17%**.
- WHEREAS, the notice of hearing on the City's intent to budget an increase in revenue from property taxation by **2.84%**, was published in accordance with Section 7-1-4127, MCA, as required by Section 15-10-203, MCA, and Section 2-9-212(2)(b), MCA, and
- WHEREAS, the hearing on the City's intent to budget an increase in revenue from property taxation was held in accordance with Section 7-1-4131, MCA, and Section 15-10-203 MCA,

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

Intent to budget additional property tax revenue

The City Commission intends to budget the 2.84 percent increase in property tax revenue

allowed by Section 15-10-420, MCA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, July 21, 2015.

Michael J. Winters, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(Seal of the City)

APPROVED FOR LEGAL CONTENT:

Sara R. Sexe, City Attorney