

## RESOLUTION NO. 9239

### RESOLUTION TO FIX ANNUAL TAX LEVY

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL TAX  
LEVY IN MILLS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING  
JULY 1, 2002 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2003

#### WHEREAS:

- A. 7-1-114, MCA states "A local government with self-governing powers is subject to ... (g) Any law regulating the budget, finance, or borrowing procedures and powers of local governments, except that the mill levy limits established by state law shall not apply".
- B. The City of Great Falls, Montana adopted a self-governing charter in 1986. Article I, Section 3 of the Charter of the City of Great Falls, Montana states: "The total mill levy shall not exceed that allowed to general powers cities of the first class by Montana Law."
- C. 7-6-4036, MCA, required the City Commission to fix the tax levy for each taxing jurisdiction by the later of the second Monday in August or within 45 calendar days after receiving certified taxable values.
- D. 7-6-4034, MCA, requires the City Commission to set a tax rate, per fund, no higher than is required to meet budget balancing needs.
- E. MCA 15-10-420 provides:
- (1)(a) Subject to the provisions of this section a governmental entity that is authorized to impose mills may impose a mill levy sufficient to *generate the amount of property taxes actually assessed in the prior year, plus one-half of the average rate of inflation for the prior 3 years*. The maximum number of mills that a governmental entity may impose is established by calculating the number of mills required to generate the amount of property tax actually assessed in the governmental unit in the prior year based on the current year taxable value, less the current year's value of newly taxable property.
  - (2) ... plus any additional levies authorized by the voters ...
  - (5) Subject to subsection (8), subsection (1)(a) does not apply to .....
    - (b) the portion of a governmental entity's property tax levy for premium contributions for group benefits excluded under 2-9-212 or 2-18-703.  - (7) In determining the maximum number of mills in subsection (1) the governmental entity may increase the number of mills to account for a decrease in reimbursements.
- F. MCA 15-10-201 requires the City Commission to fix its tax levy in mills and tenths and hundredths of mills.

G. The Department of Revenue's certified taxable value for the City of Great Falls is \$65,117,051 which equates to \$65,117 per mill. This includes \$1,302,597, or \$1,303 per mill, of newly taxable property.

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

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

**Section 1. - Determination of Mill Levy Limit**

Appendix A shows the determination of the total mill levy limit of 116.00 mills. An additional 3.00 mills is allowed under 15-10-420(5)b for increased health insurance premiums not included in the Appendix A calculation.

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**Section 2. - Tax Levy Amounts**

A 119.00 mill levy will generate:

- a. \$ 7,402,424 from the \$63,814 certified value per mill for Previously Taxable Property;
- b. \$ 151,148 from the \$1,303 certified value per mill for Newly Taxable Property; or,
- c. \$ 195,351 from the \$65,117 certified value per mill for increased Health Insurance premiums
- d. \$ 7,748,923 in total City tax for 2002 from the \$65,117 total certified value per mill.

This does not reflect delinquent collections or tax increments withheld.

**Section 3. - Tax Levy Required and Set**

- a. The City Commission has determined a \$ 7,748,923 tax levy, requiring a 119.00 mill levy, is necessary to balance the General Fund Budget.
- b. The City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana hereby fixes the tax levy for the fiscal year July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003 at 119.00 mills.

PASSED by the Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_, 2002.

Randall H. Gray, Mayor

ATTEST:

Peggy J. Bourne, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)

Approved as to form: City Attorney

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

I, Peggy J. Bourne, City Clerk of the City of Great Falls, Montana, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 9239 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\_\_ day of \_\_\_ ,2002, and approved by the Mayor of said City on the\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ .

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said City this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2002.

Peggy J. Bourne, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)

# City of Great Falls

## Determination of Tax Revenue and Mill Levy Limitations under HB 124

### Appendix A of the 2002 Tax Levy Resolution No. 9239

Source of Information	

**Prior Property Taxes Assessed**

**Property Tax Assessed in Prior Year**

a Prior Year's Recalculated Levy in Mills	Separate Worksheet	109.32	Mills
b Prior Year's Total Taxable Valuation per Mill		\$ 65,437.840	
<b>Total Property Tax for Prior Year</b>			\$ 7,153,664.67

November, 2000 Voter Approved Library Mill Levy		2.00	Mills
			130,875.68
<b>Subtotal</b>			\$ 7,284,540.35

**Inflation Adjustment**

a Total Property Tax for Prior Year (above)		7,284,540.35	
b 50% of Prior 3 Years Average Rate of Inflation		1.27%	
<b>Total Statutorily Allowed Inflation Adjustment</b>			92,513.66

**Personal Property Tax Reimbursement**

a <b>Add: amount received in FY 2001 / 2002</b>	City Records		
HB 20 Reimbursement (100-0000-335-4042)	FY 2002 Actual	107,784.25	
SB 417 Reimbursement ( 1000-0000-335-4043)	FY 2002 Actual	69,456.61	
<b>Subtotal HB20 + SB417</b>			177,240.86
b Less: Amount anticipated in current year			
HB 20 Reimbursement (100-0000-335-4042)	FY 03 Estimated	92,371.10	
SB 417 Reimbursement ( 1000-0000-335-4043)	FY 03 Estimated	59,524.31	
<b>Subtotal HB20 + SB417 Received Last Year</b>			(151,895.42)
<b>Net Loss in Personal Property Tax Reimbursement</b>			25,345.44

<b>Adjusted Property Tax Revenue Assessed in Prior Year</b>	\$ 7,402,399.45
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**Current Year Levy Computation**

<b>Adjusted Property Tax Revenue Assessed</b>	\$ 7,402,399.45
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Taxable Values per Mill

Total Certified Taxable Value	Dept. of Rev.	65,117.051	
Taxable Value of Newly Taxable Property	Dept. of Rev.	(1,302.597)	
Taxable Value of net and gross proceeds (County Only)	Dept. of Rev.	-	
<b>Net / Adjusted Taxable Value per Mill</b>			63,814.45

	<b>Divided by:</b>
65,117.051	}
(1,302.597)	
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<b>The "Floating Mill" / Authorized Mill Levy under HB124</b>	<b>Mills =</b>	116.00
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Current Property Tax Limitation

Total Certified Taxable Value		\$ 65,117	
The "Floating Mill" / Authorized Mill		116.00	
<b>Total Current Property Tax Revenue</b>			\$ 7,553,572