RESOLUTION 9821

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA, TO EXTEND SAID CITY BOUNDARIES TO INCLUDE A SEGMENT OF BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY, LOCATED ALONG UPPER AND LOWER RIVER ROADS IN SECTIONS 14 AND 23, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST, M.P.M. CASCADE COUNTY, MONTANA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 7-2-4311, MONTANA CODE ANNOTATED

WHEREAS, the City of Great Falls is a city incorporated under the laws of the State of Montana, and having a population of more than ten thousand (10,000) is a city of the first class; and,

WHEREAS, there is contiguous to said City, but outside the boundaries thereof, a segment of the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railroad Right-of-Way, located along Upper and Lower River Road, located in Sections 14 and 23, Township 20 North, Range 3 East, M.P.M. Cascade County, Montana, containing 16.772 acres, all as shown on the Certificate of Survey filed the 31st day of December, 2008 under S-0004580 in the Clerk and Recorder's Office of Cascade County, Montana; and,

WHEREAS, Section 7-2-4311, Montana Code Annotated, provides that whenever any unplatted land that has been surveyed and for which a certificate of survey has been filed, may be incorporated and included in the municipality to which it is contiguous.

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the City Commission of said City, expressed by Resolution No. 9820 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS TO EXTEND THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID CITY TO INCLUDE A SEGMENT OF BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY IN SECTIONS 14 & 23, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST, P.M.M., CASCADE COUNTY, MONTANA, DIRECTING NOTICE TO BE GIVEN BY THE CITY CLERK AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

duly and regularly passed and adopted on the 7th day of April, 2009, stating that it will be in the best interest of said city and the inhabitants thereof, that the boundaries of said City of Great Falls shall be extended so as to include "A SEGMENT OF BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY IN SECTIONS 14 & 23, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST, P.M.M., CASCADE COUNTY, MONTANA."

WHEREAS, the City Clerk of said City, pursuant to said Resolution and the statute in such case made and provided, forthwith caused to be published in the Great Falls <u>Tribune</u>, the newspaper published nearest said tract of land, at least once a week for two (2) successive weeks, a notice to the effect that said Resolution had been duly and regularly passed, and that for a period of twenty (20) days after the first publication of said notice, said City Clerk would receive expressions of approval or disapproval, in writing, of the said proposed extension of the boundaries of said City, and also stating therein the time and place set for the public hearing provided by said Resolution; and,

WHEREAS, the first publication of said notice hereinbefore referred to was the 12th day of April, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls on May 5, 2009, at 7:00 P.M., in the Commission Chambers of the Great Falls Civic Center, where said Commission heard all persons and all things relative to the proposed annexation of said property;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission now finds that it is to the best interest of the City of Great Falls and its inhabitants to proceed with the incorporation of said right-of-way into the City of Great Falls; and,

WHEREAS, all of the proceedings herein have been conducted in strict compliance with and in conformity to the law and constitution of the State of Montana, and all conditions, acts, and things required to be done precedent to and in the passage and adoption of this resolution have been properly and legally done, and performed;

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

That the boundaries of the City of Great Falls, Montana, be and the same are hereby extended so as to embrace and include within the corporate limits of said city all of the land

hereinabove described, included as: "SEGMENT OF BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANTA FE RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY IN SECTIONS 14 & 23, TOWNSHIP 20 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST, P.M.M., CASCADE COUNTY, MONTANA."

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

The Cascade County Clerk and Recorder is hereby authorized and directed to change the appropriate district boundaries of the City of Great Falls, Montana, to include said right-of-way; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY SAID CITY COMMISSION that this Resolution shall become effective thirty (30) days after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, on this 5^{th} day of May, 2009.

ATTEST:	Dona R. Stebbins, Mayor
Lucy Hallett, Acting City Clerk	
(CITY SEAL)	
APPROVED FOR LEGAL CONTENT:	
David V. Gliko, City Attorney	<u> </u>