

RESOLUTION 9944

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA, TO ADOPT THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN AS AN ATTACHMENT TO THE 2005 CITY OF GREAT FALLS GROWTH POLICY.

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WHEREAS, MCA 76-1-604 authorizes the City Commission to adopt or revise a growth policy, or any of its parts; and,

WHEREAS, the City Commission adopted the 1970 Great Falls Area Comprehensive Plan in January 1971; and,

WHEREAS, the City Commission adopted the 1981 Great Falls Area Comprehensive Plan in April 1981; and,

WHEREAS, the City Commission adopted the 1999 Great Falls City-County Comprehensive Plan in November 1999; and,

WHEREAS, the 1999 State legislature amended state law to replace the terms “Comprehensive Plan” and “Master Plan” with “Growth Policy”; and,

WHEREAS, the City Commission reviewed the Great Falls City-County Growth Policy in 1999 and adopted the Great Falls City-County Growth Policy update in 2003 and the City of Great Falls, Montana Growth Policy update in 2005; and,

WHEREAS, the 2005 City of Great Falls Growth Policy identifies the need to prepare, adopt and implement a Downtown plan; and,

WHEREAS, MCA 76-1-601(2) states that “the extent to which a growth policy addresses the elements listed in [the statute] is at the full discretion of the governing body”; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Great Falls City Commission gave authorization to the Planning and Community Development Department to proceed with the creation of the Downtown Master Plan; and,

WHEREAS, after public notice in the Great Falls Tribune, a newspaper of general circulation, on August 28, 2011, the City of Great Falls Planning Advisory Board held a public hearing on September 13, 2011; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Great Falls Planning Advisory Board recommended by a vote of 5-0 that the proposed Downtown Master Plan be approved as an attachment to the 2005 City of Great Falls Growth Policy; and,

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

That Tuesday, the 18th day of October, 2011, at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the Civic Center, Great Falls, Montana, be and the same is hereby set as the time and place at which the City Commission shall hear all persons relative to the proposed Downtown Master Plan; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY SAID CITY COMMISSION that the City Clerk of the City shall forthwith cause notice of the Resolution to adopt the Downtown Master Plan be: (1) published in the Great Falls Tribune, the newspaper published nearest such land; and (2) posted in three public places.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, on this 4th day October, 2011.

Michael J. Winters, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(CITY SEAL)

APPROVED FOR LEGAL CONTENT:

City Attorney