

RESOLUTION 10198

A RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT THE QUESTION OF WHETHER DOMESTIC CHICKEN HENS SHOULD BE ALLOWED WITHIN THE INCORPORATED CITY LIMITS OF GREAT FALLS ON THE NOVEMBER 7, 2017 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has the authority to refer policy questions to the City electorate by ballot issue; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has received support from members of the community requesting the City allow property owners to maintain domestic chicken hens within the incorporated City limits; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has also received opposition from members of the community requesting that the City continue to prohibit property owners to maintain domestic chicken hens within the incorporated City limits, as set forth by the Official Code of the City of Great Falls; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has determined that this significant policy change should be decided by the City electorate.

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

1. The question of whether property owners should be allowed to maintain domestic chicken hens within the incorporated City limits shall be placed on the November 7, 2017, Great Falls municipal election ballot by the Cascade County Montana Election Office; and
2. The question to be placed on the November 7, 2017, Great Falls municipal election ballot shall read as follows:

Do you support allowing property owners to maintain domestic chicken hens, within the incorporated Great Falls City limits, subject to regulation established by the Official Code of the City of Great Falls?

- Yes
- No

The results of this vote shall become effective upon certification.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY SAID CITY COMMISSION that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, on July 5, 2017.

Bob Kelly, Mayor

ATTEST:

Darcy Dea, Deputy City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)

APPROVED FOR LEGAL CONTENT:

Sara R. Sexe, City Attorney