## **RESOLUTION NO. 10210**

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA, RELATING TO THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT'S APPLICATION TO THE BIG SKY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE STATE OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**WHEREAS,** the City of Great Falls is committed to facilitating economic development in the City and the region; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Commission is committed to investing public funds in the Downtown Urban Renewal District, thus positively impacting the economy of the entire region; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Development Partnership reviewed and approved the expenditure of Tax Increment Finance (TIF) funds in the amount of \$25,000 on August 23, 2017 for the development of a Wayfinding Signage Plan for the Downtown and adjacent neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has determined that expenditure of TIF funds in the amount of \$25,000 for a Wayfinding Signage Plan for Great Falls supports economic development, especially in the Downtown Urban Renewal District; and

WHEREAS, the Montana Department of Commerce administers the Big Sky Economic Development Trust Fund Planning Grant program, which is a state-funded program to create good paying jobs for Montana residents, promote long-term, stable economic growth in Montana, create partnerships, expand existing businesses and provide a better life for future generations through greater economic growth and prosperity in Montana; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Commission hereby authorizes the Planning and Community Development Department to administer, on behalf of the City of Great Falls in all aspects of the Economic Development Grant, and provide administrative support and other responsibility for the management and appropriate reporting to the Montana Department of Commerce.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, that the City submit an application to the Big Sky Economic Development Trust Fund Program to assist in the development of a Wayfinding Signage Plan for the City of Great Falls.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, October 3, 2017.
Bob Kelly, Mayor
ATTEST:
Darcy Dea, Deputy City Clerk (CITY SEAL)
APPROVED FOR LEGAL CONTENT:
Sara R. Sexe, City Attorney