

RESOLUTION NO. 10560

A RESOLUTION LEVYING AND ASSESSING THE COST OF STREET MAINTENANCE FOR STREETS AND ALLEYS IN THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2024 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2025

WHEREAS, creation and alteration of Street Maintenance Districts is authorized pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. Title 7, Chapter 12, Part 44; and

WHEREAS, the Great Falls City Commission did provide for street maintenance pursuant to Ordinance 1687 adopted September 7, 1971; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission did amend and expand the scope of street maintenance services pursuant to Ordinance 2584 adopted February 5, 1991; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds and has determined that each and every lot or parcel within said district has been or will be specially benefited by said maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to continue maintaining streets and alleys within the corporate limits of the City of Great Falls; and

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2024, the City Commission adopted Resolution 10551, Annual Budget Resolution, in which the estimated assessment for such maintenance not offset by other revenues within the Street Maintenance District was reflected as FIVE MILLION FIVE-HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN-HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE DOLLARS (\$5,545,751); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Mont. Code Ann. § 7-12-4426, notice was published setting forth that Resolution No. 10560 Levying and Assessing the Cost of Street Maintenance for Streets and Alleys in the City of Great Falls, Montana, would be brought before the Great Falls City Commission for public hearing on August 20, 2024.

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

Section 1 – Maintenance Costs Assessed

The costs of maintenance, not offset by other revenues, in the Street Maintenance District, totaling FIVE MILLION FIVE-HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN-HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE DOLLARS (\$5,545,751) be levied and assessed upon the property in said district for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. The description of each lot or parcel of land within the Street Maintenance District and the respective assessments are set forth in the records of the Finance Department of the City of Great Falls, Montana, and by this reference incorporated herein as if fully set forth.

Section 2 – Maintenance Assessment Method

The percentage of the cost of maintenance for the assessable areas benefitted by the maintenance district as established in Mont. Code Ann. § 7-12-4425 shall be made as set forth in Mont. Code Ann. § 7-12-4422.

The Street Maintenance District shall be assessed according to factors based on the property classification and square footage with caps. Assessable areas within the Street Maintenance District shall be set with a square footage cap of 12,000 square feet for residential property and properties categorized as non-profit/cemetery organizations 501(c)(13) as defined by the Internal Revenue Code, and a square footage cap of one million square feet for all other property. Downtown District shall be defined as being within an area bounded on the north by Third Alley North, on the south by Third Alley South, on the east by Tenth Street and on the west by Park Drive and any properties located within this area with a designated residential land use code shall be excluded from the District and assessed as residential. The Planning and Community Development Department shall annually identify all mixed-use property equal to or greater than 112,000 square feet which are 50% or less commercially developed. Those mixed-use properties shall be assessed 50% commercial and 50% capped residential.

No proration of the street maintenance assessment shall be made for any reason, including the fact that a particular property did not have paved streets for the entire taxable year.

Section 3 – Assessments Due Date

Assessments are payable in two payments and will become delinquent at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on November 30, 2024 and May 31, 2025.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, this 20th day of August, 2024.

Cory Reeves, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(Seal of the City)

APPROVED FOR LEGAL CONTENT:

David Dennis, City Attorney