RESOLUTION 10590

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA, APPROVING THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT'S REQUEST TO EXPEND GREAT FALLS DOWNTOWN URBAN RENEWAL TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) DISTRICT FUNDS FOR BOULEVARD TREE MAINTENANCE

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WHEREAS, under the provisions of the Montana Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 15, Parts 42 and 43, as amended, an urban renewal district may be established so that a municipality may undertake urban renewal projects therein, provide for the segregation and collection of tax increment with respect to taxes collected in such district, and apply all or a portion of the tax increment derived from such district to the payment of costs of such urban renewal projects; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission, pursuant to Resolution No. 9961, duly adopted on March 6, 2012, created an urban renewal area as the Downtown Urban Renewal District and pursuant to Ordinance No. 3088, duly adopted on May 15, 2012 after a duly called and noticed public hearing thereon adopted the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan containing a tax increment financing provision; and

WHEREAS, in April 2013, the City Commission approved the revised Tax Increment Application and Forms that outline eligible activities under state statute, the application process to be followed, and criteria to be used when evaluating applications; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Downtown Tax Increment Financing District is to stimulate revitalization and redevelopment of the central business district; and,

WHEREAS, Great Falls Business Improvement District has proposed continuing the trimming, maintenance and replacement of boulevard trees within the Downtown Urban Renewal District, with eligible tax increment financing expenses and has applied for such funds; and

WHEREAS, City Staff has assessed the project in relation to the goals and objectives of the Downtown Urban Renewal District Plan, evaluated the project based on the evaluation criteria, and determined that expenditure of TIF funds up to the amount of \$35,000 to be paid out of the Downtown Urban Renewal Tax Increment Financing District fund is warranted for the purpose of paying for the trimming, maintenance and, if necessary, replacement of boulevard trees and sidewalk tree grates within the Downtown Urban Renewal District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, that the Business Improvement District's Application for use of Downtown Urban Renewal Tax Increment Financing District funds is approved in the amount of up to \$35,000 for the purpose of paying for the maintenance and, if necessary, replacement of boulevard trees and sidewalk tree gates within the Downtown Urban Renewal District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, June 3, 2025.

Cory Reeves, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(CITY SEAL)

APPROVED FOR LEGAL CONTENT:

David Dennis, City Attorney