

CITY OF BILLINGS

CITY OF BILLINGS VISION STATEMENT:

“THE MAGIC CITY – A VIBRANT, WELCOMING PLACE WHERE
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SPECIAL SESSION
AGENDA

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

October 7, 2013

5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Hanel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Hanel

INVOCATION – Councilmember Pitman

ROLL CALL

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS - TINA VOLEK

PUBLIC COMMENT on “NON-PUBLIC HEARING” Agenda Items: NONE. Speaker sign-in required. (Comments offered here are limited to one (1) minute. Please sign up on the clipboard located at the podium. Comment on items listed as public hearing items will be heard ONLY during the designated public hearing time for each respective item. For Items not on this agenda, public comment will be taken at the end of the agenda. Please sign up on the clipboard located at the podium.)

SPECIAL AGENDA:

1. **CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION** approving Park Maintenance District assessments for FY2014. (Postponed from 9/23/13) Staff recommends approval. (Action: approval or disapproval of staff recommendation.)

COUNCIL INITIATIVES

PUBLIC COMMENT on Non-Agenda Items -- Speaker Sign-in required. (Restricted to ONLY items not on this printed agenda; comments limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. Please sign up on the clipboard located at the podium.)

ADJOURN

Additional information on any of these items is available in the City Clerk's Office.

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Special Session

Meeting Date: 10/07/2013

TITLE: Continued Public Hearing and Resolution Setting PMD Annual Assessments for Fiscal Year 2014

PRESENTED BY: Patrick M. Weber, Finance Director

Department: City Hall Administration

Information

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT

The following annual assessment resolution has been completed by the Finance Division, and the assessments are ready to be spread in the tax files for FY14. On 9/23/13 City Council postponed action to give staff time to correct issues with vacant, developer-owned parcels. The corrections included deleting 17 developer-owned properties from the Rehberg Ranch park maintenance district (PMD) and deleting 65 developer-owned properties from the Ironwood PMD. Staff also changed the rate of the assessment on the Ironwood PMD from .011562 per sq/ft to .013507 per sq/ft. to balance the loss of developer owned properties and meet funding needs.

ALTERNATIVES ANALYZED

The Council must continue the public hearing and then may:

- Approve the resolution; or
- Not approve the resolution. The Parks Department could dissolve the PMD or Council could direct staff to continue maintaining the parks and use the General Fund or other resources for that purpose.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Park maintenance district rates are calculated by estimating the expenses for maintenance and recovering actual expenditures.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the public hearing be continued for the assessments, and City Council approve the resolution.

APPROVED BY CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Attachments

PMD Resolution

RESOLUTION 13- _____

A RESOLUTION LEVYING AND ASSESSING ALL PROPERTY WITHIN PARK MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE COST OF MAINTAINING THE IMPROVEMENTS IN SAID PARK MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS WITHIN THE CITY OF BILLINGS, PROVIDING FOR NOTICE, HEARING AND FINAL ADOPTION.

WHEREAS, certain Park Maintenance Districts within the City have been created and constructed, and

WHEREAS, certain improvements within those Park Maintenance Districts require maintenance, and

WHEREAS, M.C.A. Section 7-12-4162 provides that the City may levy and assess the costs of maintenance against said districts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS, MONTANA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. MAINTENANCE OF IMPROVEMENTS. Certain improvements including trees, shrubs, grass and care thereof require maintenance with certain Park Maintenance Districts.

2. MAINTENANCE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES. The boundaries of the park maintenance districts are established by resolution and are on file in the City Clerk's office.

3. ASSESSMENT METHOD. The entire maintenance costs shall be assessed against the entire district, each lot or parcel of land within said district to be assessed for that part of the whole costs which its area bears to the area of the entire district exclusive of streets, avenues, alleys and public places all as provided in M.C.A. Section 7-12-4162.

4. COST OF MAINTENANCE. The City Council estimates that the cost of maintenance for the fiscal year 2014 for the following Park Maintenance Districts is:

<u>PMD Name</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Harvest	684001	.038086 sq/ft
Olympic	684002	.034709 sq/ft
Parkland West	684003	.022393 sq/ft
Kiwanis/Durland	684004	.019477 sq/ft
High Sierra	684005	.004059 sq/ft
Forest Park	684006	.003486 sq/ft
Woodland Estates	684007	.009418 sq/ft

Terra West	684008	.014598 sq/ft
Aspen Grove	684009	.012524 sq/ft
Lakeview Drain	684010	.001670 sq/ft
Montana Avenue	684011	.070464 sq/ft
Country Manor	684012	.006371 sq/ft
Broadway/City Hall	684013	.074127 sq/ft
Rush/Shiloh Point	684014	.006250 sq/ft
Howard heights	684015	.005489 sq/ft
Mission United (West end Bike Trail)	684016	.006093 sq/ft
South Gate	684017	.006052 sq/ft
Frances Park	684018	60.12 per lot
Rolling Hills (Silver Spur Trail)	684019	219.26 per lot
Dokken (Town and Country)	684020	460.00 per lot
Lutheran Park	684022	100.72 per lot
Rimrock West	684023	159.40 per lot
Walden Grove	684024	.021794 sq/ft
Rehberg Ranch	684025	.011075 sq/ft
Uinta and Twin Oaks	684026	104.96 per lot
Ironwood	684027	.013507 sq/ft
Vintage Estates	684028	33.92 per lot
Cottonwood	684029	.001830 sq/ft
Kings Green	684030	209.00 per lot
Copper Ridge	684031	297.03 per lot
Riverfront Pointe	684032	28.38 per lot
Falcon Ridge	684033	211.14 per lot
Josephine Crossing	684036	.003893 sq/ft
Terra West Entrance	684038	77.36 per lot
Yellowstone Family	684040	66.39 per lot

5. DISPOSITION OF COLLECTIONS. The monies collected from the tax shall be paid into the respective Park Maintenance Funds.

6. NOTICE OF HEARING. On Monday, October 7th, 2013, at 6:30 o'clock p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be considered on the agenda in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, Billings, Montana, the City Council will hear objections to the adoption of this resolution. The City Clerk is hereby directed to publish notice thereof twice, at least five (5) days prior to the hearing, in the Billings Times.

7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution No. _____ was ADOPTED by the City Council and APPROVED on the 7th day of October, 2013.

CITY OF BILLINGS:

BY: _____
Thomas W. Hanel, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BY: _____
Cari Martin, CITY CLERK