

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS PROVIDING THAT THE BILLINGS CITY CHARTER BE AMENDED TO ADD SECTION 1.05.2; PROVIDING FOR A PERMANENT MILL LEVY TO FUND FIRE, POLICE, 911 DISPATCH SERVICES, AND RELATED PUBLIC SAFETY EXPENSES, AND SUBMITTING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS, MONTANA:

*Section 1.* That Article I of the Billings, Montana City Charter be amended to add Section 1.05.2 so that such section shall read as follows:

“Section 1.05.2 Mill Levy to Fund Fire, Police, 911 Dispatch Services, and Related Public Safety Expenses.

For the purpose of funding the operation, maintenance and capital needs of the fire department, police department, 911 dispatch services, and related public safety expenses, the City Council shall levy up to the following number of mills, which will raise the estimated amounts of money:

2015/2016	12.00 mills	approximately	\$ 2,000,000
2016/2017	15.00 mills	approximately	\$ 2,500,000
2017/2018	24.00 mills	approximately	\$ 4,000,000
2018/2019	46.00 mills	approximately	\$ 7,900,000
2019/2020	65.00 mills	approximately	\$11,200,000
2020/2021	77.00 mills	approximately	\$13,400,000
2021/2022	88.00 mills	approximately	\$15,600,000
2022/2023	101.00 mills	approximately	\$18,000,000
2023/2024	112.00 mills	approximately	\$20,200,000
2024/2025	125.00 mills	approximately	\$22,800,000

The foregoing mill levies are non-cumulative, but permanent. The mill levy assessment for FY 25 shall continue indefinitely in future Fiscal Years. These levies are in addition to any other mill levies authorized by Charter or law; this language shall appear on the face of the ballot.”

*Section 2.* REFERRAL TO ELECTORS. This ordinance shall be referred to the electors of the City of Billings as soon as possible at a regular or primary election by resolution duly and regularly passed by the City Council.

*Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.* This ordinance shall be effective after second reading and final adoption and approval by the electors as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council on first reading this \_\_\_\_ day of July, 2014.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED on second reading this \_\_\_\_ day of July, 2014.

CITY OF BILLINGS

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas W. Hanel, Mayor

ATTEST:

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Cari Martin, City Clerk