

SILMD 318

RESOLUTION NO. 15 - _____

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO CREATE SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 318 OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS, MONTANA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ENERGY AND MAINTENANCE FOR STREET LIGHTS, DESIGNATING THE NUMBER OF SAID DISTRICT, DESCRIBING THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF, STATING THE GENERAL CHARACTER OF THE IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE, ESTABLISHING THE ESTIMATE OF THE COST OF MAINTAINING SUCH LIGHTS AND SUPPLYING ELECTRICAL CURRENT THEREFOR FOR THE FIRST YEAR, THE PROPORTION OF THE COST TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE ABUTTING PROPERTY, AND THE METHOD OF ASSESSMENT OF SAID COST.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Billings, Montana, has determined that the public interest and convenience require the creation of a Special Improvement Lighting Maintenance District as hereinafter provided;

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

SECTION 1:

That the public interest and convenience require, and it is deemed necessary, to create a Special Improvement Lighting Maintenance District for the purpose providing energy and maintenance for new street lights for lighting in said district; and the intention of said City Council to create such a district, hereinafter more particularly described, is hereby declared.

SECTION 2:

That said district shall be known and designated as "Special Improvement Lighting Maintenance District No. 318" hereinafter called the District, and the boundaries of the District are hereby declared to include lots, parcels and pieces of land along West Antelope Trail, Antelope Place, and Winter Green Drive in Summerhill Subdivision as shown on the map designated as Exhibit "A" attached hereto, and as described in Exhibit "C" which is attached hereto.

SECTION 3:

That the City of Billings, Montana, hereby finds, determines and declares that each of the lots, blocks, pieces and parcels of land situated within the boundaries of the District, will be especially benefited and affected by said improvements, and that all of the property included within the District is hereby declared to be the property to be

high-pressure sodium luminaires mounted on mastarm style poles and served by underground wiring. NorthWestern Energy shall own and install the streetlights and all associated appurtenant structures and materials.

SECTION 5:

The City of Billings intends to establish the approximate contract rate for installation & operation of the street lighting as follows: \$4.35 per 100 watt unit, per month for supplying electrical energy; \$1.24 per unit, per month for operation & maintenance; and a rate not to exceed \$52.33 per unit, per month for installation and ownership costs. These rates are in accordance with the applicable rate schedules approved by the Montana Public Service Commission. The energy rates, including the operations and maintenance charge, are subject to change with changes in the rate schedules approved by the Public Service Commission. NorthWestern Energy Company shall provide energy to all of the lights and shall at all times own the light fixtures, poles, cables, and other incidental equipment, and shall provide maintenance and repairs to said equipment as part of the monthly rate for these lights.

SECTION 6:

The estimate of the cost of the District per year, including City administrative costs, is the sum of \$10,200; that the entire cost of said District shall be paid by the owners of the property listed in Exhibit "B" attached hereto, with each lot, parcel or piece of land within the District to be assessed for that portion of the whole cost which it's assessable area bears to the total assessable area of the entire District, exclusive of streets, avenues, alleys and public places. The estimated cost of the District per year for property owners is on the basis of approximately \$0.034825 per square foot of assessed area.

SECTION 7:

That the entire cost of the District shall be paid by an annual assessment against the property in the District; that annually, pursuant to MCA 7-12-4332, the City Council shall adopt a resolution estimating the cost of maintaining said lights including a reserve, and furnishing electrical current and assessing all of said property within said District for the annual costs; that all monies derived from the collection of such assessments shall be paid into a fund to be known as "Special Lighting Maintenance District No. 318 Maintenance Fund," and warrants shall be drawn on said fund for the payment of such costs of maintaining such lights and supplying electrical current therefore.

SECTION 8:

written protest with the City Clerk of the City of Billings within fifteen (15) days after the date on which the Notice of the passage of this Resolution of Intention is published in "The Billings Times".

SECTION 9:

That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a copy of the Notice of the passage of this Resolution in "The Billings Times", a weekly newspaper published and circulated in the City of Billings, Montana, and to send a copy of said Notice to the owners of all the lots, blocks, pieces or parcels of land included within the boundaries of said Special Improvement Lighting Maintenance District No. 318. Said notice is to be published and mailed on the same date.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED this 27th day of July, 2015.

CITY OF BILLINGS

By _____
Thomas W. Hanel Mayor

ATTEST:

By _____
Billie Guenther City Clerk