

EXHIBIT A

ORDINANCE NO. 20-\_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS TO PROVIDE FOR A NEW, PERMANENT AND NON-CUMULATIVE MILL LEVY TO FUND LEVY TO FUND PARKS, CEMETERIES, RECREATION, TRAILS, PUBLIC LANDS AND THE OPERATIONS, PROGRAMMING, MAINTENANCE, DEVELOPMENT, ACQUISITION, CAPITAL, PERSONNEL, AND RELATED EXPENSES OF THE FOREGOING, AND PRESENTING SUCH TO A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, 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 new Section 1.06 so that such section shall read as follows:

**“Section 1.06 Mill Levy to Fund Cemeteries, Parks, Recreation and Public Lands**

**Department Expenses**

In addition to the mill levies authorized by Sections 1.02, 1.03, 1.04, 1.05, and 1.05.1 of Article I, City Council may levy no more than thirty-one (31) mills for the purpose of funding the parks, cemeteries, recreation, public lands, trails, operations, programming, maintenance, development, acquisition, capital, personnel, and related expenses of the aforementioned.

**Section 1.067 Construction.** The powers of the city under this charter shall be construed liberally in favor of the city, and the specific mention of particular powers in the charter shall not be construed as limiting in any way the general power stated in this article.”

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

*Section 3.* EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after Second Reading and final adoption as provided by law, but the amendments to the City Charter shall be effective immediately upon approval by the electors as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council on First Reading this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED on Second Reading this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020