

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION REQUIRING A PRIMARY ELECTION OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS TO TAKE PLACE ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

WHEREAS, section 13-14-115(3), MCA, authorizes a governing body to require a primary election be held for a nonpartisan office if it passes a resolution not more than 10 days after the close of filing by candidates, or June 29, 2023.

WHEREAS, section 13-10-201(7), MCA, provides that a candidate's declaration for nomination must be filed no sooner than 145 days before the election in which the office first appears on the ballot and no later than 5 p.m., 85 days before the date of the primary election, or June 19, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City of Billings wishes to conduct a primary election on September 12, 2023; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 13-1-302, MCA, all costs of the regularly scheduled primary and general elections shall be paid by the counties and other political subdivisions for which the elections are held. Each political subdivision shall bear its proportionate share of the costs as determined by the county governing body.

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

1. Council has determined there should be primary election held for the municipal officer positions currently eligible for election.
2. Council hereby calls and directs a primary election to be held on September 12, 2023, to be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Title 13 of the Montana Code Annotated.
3. The primary election of all municipal offices currently eligible for election shall be held by mail ballot as set forth in City of Billings Resolution No. 23-11120 and in accordance with the provisions of Title 13, Chapter 19, Parts 1-3, MCA.
4. The City of Billings shall bear its proportionate share of the costs as determined by the Yellowstone County Election Administrator.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Billings, Montana,
on the 26th day of June, 2023.

CITY OF BILLINGS

By: _____
William A. Cole, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
Denise R. Bohlman, City Clerk