

**RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MISSOULA CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF THE CHARGING AND FUELING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT APPLICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Missoula Metropolitan Planning Organization adopted *Missoula Connect 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan* in 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, *Missoula Connect* states the MPO's goals to "improve climate resilience and advance toward carbon neutrality," and "reduce transportation-related air emissions;" and

**WHEREAS**, one-third of Missoula's carbon emissions are from the transportation sector; and

**WHEREAS**, the most vulnerable people and systems are disproportionately affected by transportation pollution and climate change; and

**WHEREAS**, Missoula is part of an air stagnation zone where the primary air pollutant of concern is PM2.5, which is related to tailpipe emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, the City adopted the Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (JEDI) resolution in 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the City adopted the Climate & Resiliency Implementation Resolution in 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, electric vehicles produce no tailpipe emissions, have the potential to be run entirely on renewable energy, and are more efficient than vehicles with internal combustion engines; and

**WHEREAS**, public investment in electric vehicle charging infrastructure can support a more equitable transition by supporting those who may not have access to at-home charging; and

**WHEREAS**, this project's siting criteria will ensure that communities that have been historically underserved, that face the most environmental burdens, and can benefit the most from the benefits associated with electric vehicles are able to access charging stations to support their adoption; and

**WHEREAS**, public charging infrastructure (or lack of it) can be a barrier to ensuring interested community members can utilize an electric vehicle; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) program aims to support charging infrastructure within the corridors surrounding Missoula, and this program would fill in the infrastructure gaps; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Missoula has a target of 100% clean electricity by 2030, further decreasing emissions associated with electric vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Missoula is applying for funding from the Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration through their Charging and Fueling Infrastructure funding opportunity to support development of community electric vehicle charging infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, fifteen to thirty Level 2 charging sites would be located throughout Missoula, support workplace charging, neighborhood charging, and other public charging opportunities; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Missoula, Montana that the City Council and Mayor support the intent of, and project contained in the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure grant application.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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Claire Trimble  
City Clerk

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Andrea Davis  
Mayor