RESOLUTION NUMBER _____

A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO ADOPT THE CLIMATE READY MISSOULA PLAN AS AN ISSUE PLAN OF THE OUR MISSOULA: CITY GROWTH POLICY 2035, AND SET A JOINT CITY COUNCIL/BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC HEARING FOR APRIL 6, 2020

WHEREAS, the City of Missoula governing body should be guided by and give consideration to this issue plan and its recommendations regarding climate adaptation strategies as it pertains to the Our Missoula: City Growth Policy 2035 and additional adopted plans, policies, standards, and regulations; and

WHEREAS, MCA 76-1-604 authorizes the City Council to adopt or revise a growth policy, or any of its parts; and

WHEREAS, City of Missoula adopted the Our Missoula: City Growth Policy 2035 with associated amendments and issue plans on November 23, 2015; and

WHEREAS, issue plans provide detailed analyses and policy guidance on specific infrastructure, facilities, development, or conservation issues identified in the growth policy; and

WHEREAS, issue plans should conform to the growth policy; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Ready Missoula Plan was drafted through a public planning process led by Missoula County, the City of Missoula, and Climate Smart Missoula, and guided by a Steering Committee composed of individuals representing city and county government departments and community organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Climate Ready Missoula Plan was developed through an extensive outreach process that engaged stakeholders and the public in identifying the greatest risk that climate change poses to Missoula County, and developing strategies to address those risks, based on locally-specific climate projections; and

WHEREAS, after public notice in the Missoulian, a newspaper of general circulation on February 22 and March 1, 2020, the Climate Ready Missoula Plan was considered by the Missoula Consolidated Planning Board at a public hearing on March 3, 2020, during which the Planning Board reviewed the plan for conformity with the Our Missoula: City Growth Policy 2035 and considered recommending that Missoula City Council adopt Climate Ready Missoula as an Issue Plan of the Our Missoula: City Growth Policy 2035; and

WHEREAS, the Missoula Consolidated Planning Board has agreed that the plan conforms to the Our Missoula: City Growth Policy 2035 and unanimously recommended that Missoula City Council adopt Climate Ready Missoula as an Issue Plan of the Our Missoula: City Growth Policy 2035 based on the findings of fact and conclusions of law; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Missoula City Council hereby adopts this Resolution of Intent to Adopt Climate Ready Missoula as an Issue Plan of the Our Missoula: City Growth Policy 2035 as recommended by the Missoula Consolidated Planning Board and hereby sets a joint City Council/Board of County Commissioners public hearing for April 6, 2020.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ________ day of ____________, 2020.

ATTEST: 

Martha L. Rehbein  
City Clerk  
(SEAL)

APPROVED: 

John Engen  
Mayor