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RESOLUTION 2016 – 13

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY GROWTH POLICY

WHEREAS, on December 23, 2003, the Lewis and Clark County Board of Commissioners (Commission) adopted the Lewis and Clark County Growth Policy (Growth Policy), and divided Lewis and Clark County into six planning areas, including the Helena Valley Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of Lewis and Clark County to update the Growth Policy on a regular basis to reflect changing trends and priorities; and

WHEREAS, the Helena/Lewis and Clark Consolidated City-County Planning Board (Planning Board) held a series of open houses, round table discussions, and work sessions related to the Helena Valley Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, based on public outreach and research, the Community Development and Planning Department drafted amendments to the Growth Policy, focusing on the Helena Valley Planning Area, the amendments are known as the Key Issues Report and the Helena Valley Area Plan; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2015, pursuant to Section 76-1-602, MCA, the Planning Board held a public hearing on the proposed amendments and took public comment; and

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2015, the Planning Board considered all public comments (verbal and written) received throughout the extensive outreach process and during the public hearing and took action recommending the Key Issues Report and the Helena Valley Area Plan become part of the Growth Policy; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2015 the Community Development and Planning Department presented the Planning Board's recommendation to amend the Growth Policy to include the Key Issues Report and the Helena Valley Area Plan; and

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2016 and February 11, 2016, the Commission held public meetings on the proposed amendments to the Growth Policy and took public comment; and

WHEREAS, the Commission posted the Key Issues Report and the Helena Valley Area Plan on the Lewis and Clark County website for the public to review and held a public comment period, on the proposed amendments, from January 14, 2016 through March 3, 2016; and

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2016, at its regularly scheduled public meeting, the Commission reviewed the Key Issues Report and the Helena Valley Area Plan, reviewed the Planning Board's recommendation, and considered all public comments (verbal and written).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 76-1-604, MCA, the Commission adopts the Key Issues Report and the Helena Valley Area Plan as part of the Lewis and Clark County Growth Policy, effective March 3, 2016; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all documents referenced in the 2003 Lewis and Clark County Growth Policy, the Key Issues Report, and the Helena Valley Area Plan are hereby incorporated therein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, any conflict existing between the 2003 Lewis and Clark County Growth Policy and either the Key Issues Report or the Helena Valley Area Plan shall be resolved in favor of the Key Issues Report and the Helena Valley Area Plan.

DATED this 03 Day of March, 2016.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Michael Murray, Chairman

ATTEST:

Paulette J. DeHart, Clerk of Board