



**RESOLUTION 2026 - 18**  
**A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A CONSOLIDATED LAND USE BOARD**

**WHEREAS**, on May 3, 2001, Lewis and Clark County (County) and the City of Helena (City) entered into an Interlocal Agreement to establish a Consolidated City and County Planning Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 6 of the Interlocal Agreement states that this Agreement shall continue until such time either party terminates the Agreement by resolution of its governing body and after giving the other party a minimum of ninety (90) days written notice of its intent to withdraw from the Consolidated City and County Planning Board; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 28, 2026, the County received written notice from the City of its intent to withdraw from the Consolidated City and County Planning Board with an effective termination date by the Helena City Commission of no later than May 17, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 76-1-114(1) and (2), MCA allows for the Board of County Commissioners (Commission) to establish a Consolidated Land Use Board to assume the duties and roles of a Planning Board, as provided in Title 76, Chapter 1; a Zoning Commission, as provided in Title 76, Chapter 2, Parts 2 and 3; and a Board of Adjustment, as provided in Title 76, Chapter 2, Parts 2 and 3; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 76-1-114(3) requires that a Consolidated Land Use Board adopt bylaws that clearly define the roles and duties of a member when acting as a Planning Board, a Zoning Commission, or a Board of Adjustment member; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 76-1-114(4)(a) requires that a Consolidated Land Use Board consists of at least five (5) appointed citizen members that reside within the jurisdictional area of the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 21, 2026, notice of the time and place of the public hearing before the Commission regarding the creation of a Consolidated Land Use Board was published in the Independent Record; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 9, 2026, the Commission held a public hearing regarding the creation of the Consolidated Land Use Board; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 9, 2026, after taking public comment, the Commission closed the public hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 9, 2026, the Commission considered the resolution to establish, and all public comments (both verbal and written) received during the public hearing.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, pursuant to Section 76-1-114, MCA, the Commission adopts the resolution to establish the Lewis and Clark County Consolidated Land Use Board, which will assume the duties and roles of a Planning Board, Zoning Commission, and Board of Adjustment effective May 17, 2026.

**DATED** this 9 day of April, 2026.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Tom Rolfe, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board