

# Memorandum

**REPORT TO:** City Commission

**FROM:** Bernie Massey, Assistant Treasurer  
Laurae Clark, City Treasurer  
Kaitlin Johnson, Budget Manager

**SUBJECT:** Resolution for the Annual Lighting Assessments for Fiscal Year 2026

**MEETING DATE:** September 23, 2025

**AGENDA ITEM TYPE:** Resolution

**RECOMMENDATION:** **Consider the Motion:** *I move to Approve the Commission Resolution for the Annual Lighting Assessments for Fiscal Year 2026*

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** 7.5. Funding and Delivery of City Services: Use equitable and sustainable sources of funding for appropriate City services, and deliver them in a lean and efficient manner.

**BACKGROUND:** Montana Code Annotated Title 7 Chapter 12 Part 43 allows for the creation of special improvement lighting districts for the purpose of lighting streets and assessing costs for installation and maintenance to property abutting thereto and collect the costs by special assessments against the property. The City has approximately 80 special lighting districts. This resolution formally levies and assesses maintenance and electrical current costs of the districts to the benefitted property owners.

**UNRESOLVED ISSUES:** None

**ALTERNATIVES:** As suggested by the City Commission.

**FISCAL EFFECTS:** The amount that will be assessed for all Special Improvement Lighting Districts for FY26 is \$317,300.

Attachments:

[Lighting District Resolution FY26.docx](#)

[Schedule A FY26.pdf](#)

Report compiled on: September 4, 2025