RESOLUTION NO. 3495

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE FINANCING OF PROPOSED WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS; ESTABLISHING COMPLIANCE WITH REIMBURSEMENT BOND REGULATIONS UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Red Lodge, Montana (the "City"), as follows:

Section 1. Recitals.

- 1.01 The United States Department of Treasury has promulgated final regulations governing the use of proceeds of tax-exempt bonds, all or a portion of which are to be used to reimburse the City for project expenditures paid by the City prior to the date of issuance of such bonds. Those regulations (Treasury Regulations, Section 1.150-2) (the "Regulations") require that the City adopt a statement of official intent to reimburse an original expenditure not later than 60 days after payment of the original expenditure. The Regulations also generally require that bonds be issued and the reimbursement allocation be made from the proceeds of such bonds within 18 months (or three years, if the reimbursement bond issue qualifies for the "small issuer" exception from the arbitrage rebate requirement) after the later of (i) the date the expenditure is paid or (ii) the date the project is placed in service or abandoned, but (unless the issue qualifies for the "small issuer" exception from the arbitrage rebate requirement) in no event more than three years after the date the expenditure is paid. The Regulations generally permit reimbursement of capital expenditures and costs of issuance of the bonds.
- 1.02 The City desires to comply with requirements of the Regulations with respect to certain projects hereinafter identified.

Section 2. Official Intent Declaration.

- 2.01 The City proposes to undertake certain improvements to its municipal water system, consisting of the replacing certain cast iron water mains; adding valves and hydrants at each intersection; replacing water services from the mains to the curb stops; and related improvements (the "Project").
- 2.02 Other than (i) expenditures to be paid or reimbursed from sources other than the Bonds (as hereinafter defined), (ii) expenditures permitted to be reimbursed under the transitional provision contained in Section 1.150-2(j)(2) of the Regulations, (iii) expenditures constituting preliminary expenditures within the meaning of Section 1.150-2(f)(2) of the Regulations, or (iv) expenditures in a "de minimus" amount (as defined in Section 1.150-2(f)(1) of the Regulations), no expenditures for the Project have heretofore been paid by the City and no expenditures will be paid by the City until after the date of this Resolution.
- 2.03 The City reasonably expects to reimburse some or all of the expenditures made for costs of the Project out of proceeds of bonds in an estimated maximum aggregate principal amount of \$1,628,000 (the "Bonds") after the date of payment of all or a portion of the costs of

the Project. (\$500,000 in principal amount of the Bonds is expected to be forgiven following compliance by the City with certain conditions.) All reimbursed expenditures shall be capital expenditures, a cost of issuance of the Bonds or other expenditures eligible for reimbursement under Section 1.150-2(d)(3) of the Regulations.

Section 3. <u>Budgetary Matters</u>. As of the date hereof, there are no City funds reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside (or reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside) to provide permanent financing for the expenditures related to the Project, other than pursuant to the issuance of the Bonds. The statement of intent contained in this resolution, therefore, is determined to be consistent with the City's budgetary and financial circumstances as they exist or are reasonably foreseeable on the date hereof.

Section 4. Reimbursement Allocations. The City Clerk-Treasurer shall be responsible for making the "reimbursement allocations" described in the Regulations, being generally the transfer of the appropriate amount of proceeds of the Bonds to reimburse the source of temporary financing used by the City to make prior payment of the costs of the Project. Each allocation shall be evidenced by an entry on the official books and records of the City maintained for the Bonds or the Project and shall specifically identify the actual original expenditure being reimbursed.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Red Lodge, Montana, this 24th day of September, 2018.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk-Treasurer

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