

RESOLUTION NO. 3548

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF RED LODGE, MONTANA REGARDING THE BUDGET PROCESS AND ENSURING PUBLIC INPUT

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the State of Montana provides the public with the right to know and right to participate in their local governmental process; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to invite and involve the taxpayers of the City of Red Lodge to observe and provide input into the budgeting of public monies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has a desire to hear and consider the input of city residents as well as department heads regarding the City budget process; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to have time to hear and consider informed public input prior to the statutory public hearing meeting when the City budget is presented and adopted,

NOW THEREFORE IT RESOLVED:

1. The City will prepare and post a preliminary budget for the upcoming fiscal year to the city website no later than May and shall post an updated draft as soon as it becomes available until such time as the budget is adopted by the City Council.
2. That each department head shall, not later than 30 days prior to the scheduled public hearing and budget adoption by the City Council, present to the City Council at a publicly noticed working meeting, a presentation of between 20-30 minutes, no more than one (1) hour, to educate and inform both the City Council and public about their department's budget. The presentation shall include a description of the services provided to the City and as well address variations from the previous year's budget.
3. Pursuant to Montana law, a public comments time will be provided at a specified time with the standard limitations that the City currently has for public comments.

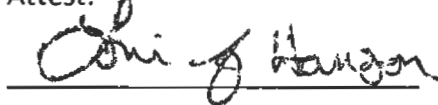
PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE RED LODGE CITY COUNCIL on this 14th day of July, 2020.

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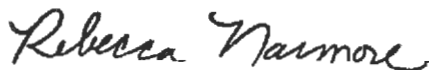


WILLIAM LARSON, Mayor

Attest:



LONI HANSON, City Clerk



REBECCA NARMORE, City Attorney