



**Item:** FY 2009 Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement with the Montana Department of Transportation

**From:** Street – Traffic Division

**Initiated By:** Public Works Department

**Presented By:** Jim Rearden, Public Works Director

**Action Requested:** Approve Agreement

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**Suggested Motion:**

1. Commissioner moves:

“I move that the City Commission approve the FY 2009 Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement with the Montana Department of Transportation and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.”

2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, inquiries from the public, and calls for the vote.

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**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the City Commission approval of the attached Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement with the Montana Department of Transportation for FY 2009.

**Background:**

Significant Impacts:

The attached agreement between the City of Great Falls and the Montana Department of Transportation outlines each agencies responsibility and details the States reimbursement to the City for maintaining State Traffic Signals located within the City limits. The City is currently maintaining sixty-six (66) traffic signals in addition to those at twenty-three (23) City signalized intersections. Three (3) flashing signal lights are also maintained for the State.

Workload Impacts:

The City employs two Traffic Signal Technicians to maintain signals on State and City routes, as well as City owned signals. The City provides all maintenance necessary to the operation of the Traffic Control System and is reimbursed by MDT in accordance with Exhibit B for costs of labor, equipment, engineering, and materials required. The technicians also maintain the over-height detection system located on US 87 by Fleet Supply on an on-call basis with reimbursement per event.

Purpose:

The City has an annual agreement with the Montana Department of Transportation for Traffic Signal Maintenance.

**Concurrences:** The State has agreed to this contract and signed the needed documents.

**Fiscal Impact:** This agreement includes a 2.55% cost increase as compared to last years Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement. Tools and test equipment included in this agreement are depreciated over a 7 year period.

**Alternatives:** The City Commission could vote to disapprove this agreement.

**Attachments/Exhibits:** Exhibit B - Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement Item Justification.  
(Attachments not available online; on file in City Clerk's Office.)