



**CITY OF GREAT FALLS
COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT**

Item: Void Resolution 9784, Intention of Creation of Special Improvement Lighting District #1305, and void the scheduled public hearing

From: Martha Capps, Operations Supervisor

Initiated By: Changes in structural design of district and as advised by the City Attorney

Presented By: Coleen Balzarini, Fiscal Services Director

Action Requested: City Commission void Resolution 9784, and the scheduled public hearing

Suggested Motion:

1. Commissioner moves:

“I move the City Commission void Resolution 9784 creating Special Improvement Lighting District – City-Owned Residential Lighting District 1305, and void the scheduled public hearing.”

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

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends the City Commission void Resolution 9784 Creating Special Improvement Lighting District – City-Owned Residential Lighting District 1305, and void the scheduled public hearing.

Background: On March 26, 2008, staff received a signed petition from TD Development, the owner and developer of Water Tower Park Addition, requesting the installation of street lights in the newly annexed subdivision. The petition requested the installation of 4 - 100 watt HPS semi-cut off street light units mounted on 20-foot steel poles with underground wiring in accordance with the City’s Street Lighting Policy. Resolution 9784, Intent to Create Special Improvement Lighting District – City Owned Residential Lighting District No. 1305 was adopted by the City Commission on November 18, 2008 and a public hearing was set for December 16, 2008. After review from GPD Engineering Firm, the design of the street lights was recommended to be 5 – 100 watt lights mounted on 16 foot poles. The change in design is necessary to provide adequate lighting coverage to the properties within the district, while maintaining compliance with standard lighting practices.

This change is anticipated to add approximately \$1,000 to the estimated construction costs of the project and the additional light will also increase the on-going electrical supply costs. A new resolution of intent and creation will be brought to the City Commission for approval in

the near future.

Concurrences: Staff was advised by the City Attorney to void the Resolution of Intent and the scheduled public hearing

Fiscal Impact: There is no direct fiscal impact to City operations. The costs associated with republication of the legal notice will be charged to the district and paid with the lighting district assessments.

Alternatives: The City Commission could choose to not void Resolution 9784 and conduct the public hearing as scheduled. The Resolution of Intent would be inconsistent with the required engineering and design of street lighting within the district.

Attachments/Exhibits: Resolution 9784, Intent to Create available @
www.greatfallsmt.net/records/resolutions/res9784.pdf

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