

RESOLUTION NUMBER 7491

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MISSOULA CITY COUNCIL TO SUPPORT NEW MISSOULA CITY-COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM RULES**

**WHEREAS**, the 24-hour National Ambient Air Quality Standards for PM<sub>2.5</sub> (particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 2.5 microns and smaller) was lowered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency from 65 ug/m<sup>3</sup> to 35 ug/m<sup>3</sup> on September 21, 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Ambient Air Quality Standards are set, after a comprehensive review and assessment of scientific studies on the impacts of particle pollution on public health have been completed; and

**WHEREAS**, ambient PM<sub>2.5</sub> data collected in Missoula and through out the county have found winter season 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations over 35 ug/m<sup>3</sup> and Missoula is very close to exceeding the 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> standard during the winter months; and was as close to the standard as possible without going over for the set of years of 2005, 2006, 2007 with an average 24-hour PM<sub>2.5</sub> level of 35.2; and

**WHEREAS**, air pollution studies in Missoula and other communities of western Montana have found wood combustion to be the largest source of PM<sub>2.5</sub> air pollution in the winter when high PM<sub>2.5</sub> levels are present; and

**WHEREAS**, the Missoula City County Air Pollution Control Board proposed revisions to the Missoula City-County Air Pollution Control Program Chapters 2, 4, 6, 9 and 14 to address the high PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations found throughout the county, and after due notice, conducted public hearings on June 18, July 20, August 20 and September 17, 2009 and approved and passed those revisions at a public meeting on September 17, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed revisions of the Missoula City-County Air Pollution Control Program have been submitted to the Missoula City Council by the Missoula City-County Air Pollution Control Board for this Councils approval; and

**WHEREAS**, the Missoula City Council held a public hearing on November 9, 2009 to consider the revisions of the Missoula City-County Air Pollution Control Program;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council approves and adopts the revised Missoula Air Pollution Control Program Chapter 2 Definitions (Exhibit A), Chapter 4 Missoula County Air Stagnation and Emergency Episode Avoidance Plan (Exhibit B), Chapter 6 Standards For Stationary Sources (Exhibit C), Chapter 9 Solid Fuel Burning Devices (Exhibit D), and Chapter 14 Enforcement and Administrative Procedures (Exhibit E) which are attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein as part of this Resolution, to be effective upon approval by the Montana Board of Environmental Review.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009.

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Martha L. Rehbein  
Martha L. Rehbein  
City Clerk

/s/ John Engen  
STATE OF MONTANA )  
JOHN ENGEN ) SS  
MAYOR OF MISSOULA )

(SEAL)



I hereby certify that the above and foregoing instrument is a true and correct copy of 7491 as the same appears upon the records of my office as City Clerk for the City of Missoula, Montana.

Date:  
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*Martha L. Rehbein*  
City Clerk  
City of Missoula