

RESOLUTION NO: 2021-01R
TO SUPPORT AND FUND A SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE
COVID-19 TESTING PROGRAM
IN THE BIG SKY RESORT AREA DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of Montana, and Madison and Gallatin Counties having each respectively declared national, state, and county public health emergencies in response to the spread of a novel coronavirus and the disease it causes, known as COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other public health authorities having advised precautions to reduce the possibility of exposure to the virus and slow the spread of the disease, which include wearing masks, engaging in social distancing and proper hygiene, seeking testing for possible infection, and quarantining and staying home from work if sick or tested positive; and

WHEREAS, the District's community, and the larger community of Big Sky, is dependent upon its businesses remaining open and its employment force working with minimal interruption; and

WHEREAS, the District deems it essential to the economic viability of the community to avoid the closure of businesses and schools, and to maintain the health of its residents, visitors, and first responder work force; and

WHEREAS, the District has worked closely with interested community members, large and small business owners in the community, the Big Sky Chamber of Commerce, Visit Big Sky, state and local authorities, county health departments, the local health community, school officials, and philanthropic organizations ("Interested Community Members") to collectively design a surveillance testing program ("COVID-19 Testing Program") for the District and the larger Big Sky community in an effort to identify those who may be ill and to take proper precautions to isolate the illness, slow the spread, and keep community businesses and schools open; and

WHEREAS, at a duly noticed and held public meeting on October 28, 2020, pursuant to the emergency appropriation authorization granted to the District's Board of Directors by Section 4 of District Ordinance 99-01, the Board considered the desirability of implementation of the COVID-19 Testing Program, and the possibility of partial funding of the COVID-19 Testing Program in the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000) ("District Funding"), and approved the District Funding; and

WHEREAS, on or about October 2020, pursuant to the terms of the authorized Restricted Gift Agreement, the District contributed the District Funding to Big Sky Relief Fund, LCC for the COVID-19 Testing Program; and

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WHEREAS, the District is expecting a reimbursement from the State of Montana in the approximate amount of \$369,000.00 for certain COVID-19 testing expenses consistent with various COVID-19 relief programs (“Testing Expense Reimbursement”) though the exact amount is unknown at this time and may be different from the amount stated herein; and

WHEREAS, at a duly noticed and held public meeting on January 27, 2021, pursuant to the emergency appropriate authorization granted to the District’s Board of Directors by Section 4 of District Ordinance 99-01, the Board considered the desirability of reinvesting any Testing Expense Reimbursement actually received into the COVID-19 Testing Program and/or assisting with the cost of procuring vaccines for community members; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that following extensive Board discussion, a review of the status of the COVID-19 Testing Program, a review of protocols set forth in the COVID-19 Testing Program, a review of the high demand by members of the community for testing kits and the fact that in some weeks there have not been sufficient testing kits available to meet demand, and the likelihood that the District may be asked to assist with the financing of a vaccine procurement program for the community members of the District, the District’s Board hereby appoints the District’s Chairman of the Board and Secretary & Treasurer to a committee to determine whether and how much (if any) of any Testing Expense Reimbursement to be reinvested into the COVID-19 Testing Program (“Supplemental District Funding”) and/or whether to direct any portion of any Testing Expense Reimbursement to a new vaccine procurement program (“District Vaccine Funding”); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District’s Board hereby delegates authority to the District’s Chairman of the Board and Secretary & Treasurer to negotiate and execute any necessary documentation with Big Sky Relief Fund, LCC for the use and accounting of any Supplemental District Funding and/or any District Vaccine Funding before any such funding is transferred to Big Sky Relief Fund, LLC and the District delegates authority to execute any required agreements to the District’s Chairman of the Board and Secretary & Treasurer.

Done, dated, and effective this 27th day of January, 2021 by a vote of five (5) in favor and none (0) opposed.

Kevin P Germain

Kevin P Germain (Jan 27, 2021 12:13 MST)

Kevin Germain, Chair

Steven Johnson

Steven Johnson (Feb 5, 2021 09:40 MST)

Steve Johnson, Secretary & Treasurer

Grace Young

Grace Young (Feb 5, 2021 23:13 MST)

Grace Young, Director

Sarah Blechta

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Sara Blechta, Vice Chair

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Ciara Wolfe, Director

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