

**RESOLUTION NO: 2021-04R**  
**TO SUPPORT AND FUND CONTINUING COVID-19 RELIEF EFFORTS**  
**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, continued testing efforts within the District and the Big Sky community is important to maintaining the health of the District's residents, visitors, and first responder work force, and to help keep businesses and schools open and operating; and

WHEREAS, continued expansion of the local area hospital facilities is important to maintaining the health of the District's residents, visitors, and first responder work force;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, following discussion, the District's Board hereby agrees to allocate \$150,000 from its emergency reserves to purchase tests kits to be distributed to community members to help mitigate the impacts of COVID; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, following discussion, the District's Board hereby agrees to allocate \$250,000 from its emergency reserves to support Big Sky Medical Center in mitigating the impacts of COVID.

Done, dated, and effective this 13th day of October, 2021 by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

*Sarah Blechta*

[Sarah Blechta \(Oct 13, 2021 11:18 MDT\)](#)

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Sarah Blechta, Chair

*Ciara Wolfe*

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Ciara Wolfe, Vice Chair

*Steven Johnson*

[Steven Johnson \(Oct 14, 2021 09:12 CDT\)](#)

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Steve Johnson, Secretary & Treasurer

*Kevin P. Germain*

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Kevin Germain, Director

*Grace D. Young*

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Grace Young, Director

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