

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-7

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN  
ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF  
CONDUCTING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
REVIEW OF FERGUS COUNTY AND  
ESTABLISHING A STUDY COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Montana Constitution and Montana Code Annotated § 7-3-171 et seq. require an election on the question of conducting a local government review and establishing a study commission, to be held whenever 10 years have elapsed since electors have voted on the question of conducting a local government review and establishing a study commission; and,

WHEREAS, the last election on the question of local government review was held in 2014 and therefore a new election is required to be held due to the passage of a 10 year period; and,

WHEREAS, the County Election Administrator is charged with the responsibility of counting, canvassing and returning the votes on the question of establishing a study commission and for electing study commission members; and

WHEREAS, the Montana State University Extension Service Local Government Center has estimated that the cost of a study commission for a county with less than a 100 resident to be \$17,000; and

WHEREAS, the Petroleum County Board of Commissioners has

determined that the appropriate way to pay for a study commission is by levying an additional 4 mills in county property taxes;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the question of conducting a local government review and establishing a study commission shall be submitted to the electors of Petroleum County at the primary election on June 4, 2024; and the ballot language shall be in substantially the following form:

Vote for one:

FOR the establishment of a local government study commission consisting of 5 members to review the government of Petroleum County with funding not to exceed \$17,000 to be paid via an additional 4 mill levied on county property taxes.


AGAINST the establishment of a local government study commission consisting of 5 members to review the government of Petroleum County with funding not to exceed \$17,000 to be paid via an additional 4 mill levied on county property taxes.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2024.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

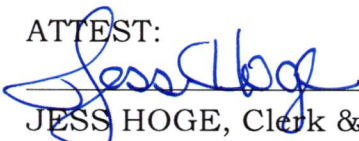
  
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JESS HOGE, Clerk & Recorder