

CERTIFICATE
ESTABLISHING THE PROPOSED FORM OF GOVERNMENT
FOR
FOLSON, MONTANA

If adopted by the voters, the government of the city of Folson, Montana shall be organized under the following provisions of Section 47A-3-203: Revised Codes of Montana, 1947. Commission-executive form.

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47A-3-203, Commission-executive form.

(1) The commission-executive form (which may be called the "council-executive," the "council-mayor," or the "commission-mayor" form) consists of an elected commission (which may be referred to as the "council") and one elected executive (who may be referred to as the "mayor") who is elected at large.

(2) The executive shall:

- (a) enforce laws, ordinances, and resolutions;
- (b) perform duties required of him by law, ordinance, or resolution;
- (c) administer affairs of the local government;
- (d) carry out policies established by the commission;

- (e) recommend measures to the commission;
(f) report to the commission on the affairs and financial condition of the local government;
(g) execute bonds, notes, contracts, and written obligations of the commission, subject to the approval of the commission;
(h) report to the commission as the commission may require;
(i) attend commission meetings and may take part in discussions;
(j) execute the budget adopted by the commission;

(3) the plan of government shall further define the structural characteristics of the form by including the items listed below;

(3) (a) (ii) The executive may appoint one or more administrative assistants to assist him in the supervision and operation of the local government. Such administrative assistants shall be answerable solely to the executive.

(3) (b) (i) The executive may appoint and remove all employees of the local government.

(3) (c) (ii) The executive may veto ordinances and resolutions, subject to override by a two-thirds vote of the commission.

(3) (d) (i) The executive may prepare the budget and present it to the commission for adoption.

(3) (e) (i) The executive may exercise control and supervision of the administration of all departments and boards.

(3) (f) (i) A financial officer (who may be called the "treasurer") shall be elected.

(3) (g) (iv) The commission shall be elected by any combination of districts in which candidates must reside and which are appointed by population and at large.

(3) (h) (ii) Local government elections shall be conducted on a non-partisan basis as provided in this title.

(3) (i) (i) The commission shall have a chairman who shall be elected by the members of the commission from their own number for a term established by ordinance.

(3) (j) (iii) The presiding officer of the commission shall be the executive who shall decide all tie votes of the commission, but shall have no other vote. The chairman of the commission shall preside if the executive is absent.

(3) (k) (ii) Commission members shall be elected for overlapping terms of office.

(3) (l) (ii) The size of the commission shall be six (6) members.

(3) (m) The term of office of elected officials shall be four (4) years and three (3) commissioners hold two (2) year terms and three (3) hold four (4) year terms.

(4) The plan of government submitted to the qualified electors shall determine the powers of the local government unit by authorizing self-government powers.

We, the Study Commissioners of Polson, Montana do hereby certify that this is the proposed Plan of Government as established in Section 47A-3-203: Revised Codes of Montana, 1947.

In testimony whereof, we set our hands.

Done at This 20th day of July, 1976

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ATTEST:

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