

Repealed by 97-5036

ORDINANCE NO. 97-5032

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS AMENDING THE CITY CHARTER OF BILLINGS, MONTANA, TO INCREASE THE ALL PURPOSE MILL LEVY LIMIT FROM 74 MILLS TO 94 MILLS AND SUBMITTING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS, MONTANA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. AMENDMENT. Article I of the City Charter, Billings, Montana, shall be amended as follows:

ARTICLE I--Powers of the City

Section 1.01. Powers of the City. The city shall have all powers possible for a self-government city to have under the Constitution and laws of this state as fully and completely as though they were specifically enumerated in this charter.

Section 1.02. Mill Levy Limit. The council shall not levy more than ~~74~~ 94 mills on real and personal property for all purposes, except as specifically authorized by this charter. The mill levy on real and personal property may be increased only by an affirmative vote of a simple majority of the votes cast in an election on this question.

Section 1.03. Mill Levy for Transit. In addition to the mill levy authorized by subsection 1.02 of Article I, the city council may levy not more than ten (10) mills for transit purposes only.

Section 1.04. Mill Levy for Library. In addition to the mill levies authorized by subsections 1.02 and 1.03 of Article I, the city council may levy not more than five (5) mills for the purpose of providing funds for the operation, maintenance and capital needs of the Parmlly Billings Library only.

Section 1.05 Construction. The powers of the city under this charter shall be construed liberally in favor of the city, and the specific mention of particular powers in the charter shall not be construed as limiting in any way the general power stated in this article.

2. REFERRAL TO ELECTORS. That this ordinance shall be referred to the electors of the City of Billings as soon as possible at a regular or primary election by resolution duly and regularly passed by the City Council.

3. EFFECTIVE DATE. That pursuant to law this ordinance shall be effective 30 days after final approval but the amendment to the City Charter shall not be effective until approved by the electors as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council on first reading this 23rd day of June, 1997.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED on second reading this 14th day of July, 1997.



CITY OF BILLINGS

By Charles F. Foley
Mayor

ATTEST:

By Marita Herrod
City Clerk