

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING UTILITIES DEPARTMENT STAFF TO SUBMIT A LEVEL III GRANT APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GILLETTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,563,857.32 TO THE WYOMING WATER DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR PROJECTS TO EXTEND REGIONAL WATER SERVICE TO EXISTING IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICE DISTRICTS AND OTHER WATER SYSTEMS COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS "WATER DISTRICTS" LOCATED WITHIN THE DESIGNATED SERVICE AREA AS ESTABLISHED BY THE DECEMBER 21, 2010 CITY/COUNTY JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE GILLETTE REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of Gillette conducted a Long Term Water Supply, Level II Study which identified an additional parallel Madison pipeline with an expanded well field, booster stations, treatment facilities and storage reservoirs in order to meet long term water supply needs for the Gillette Area.

WHEREAS, the City of Gillette has applied for and was approved funding commitments from the Wyoming State Legislature for the Design, Permitting, Easements and Construction for the Gillette Madison Pipeline Project.

WHEREAS, the Wyoming Water Development Commission completed an October 2009 Gillette Regional Master Plan Level I Study which identified a Regional Water Service area that will benefit existing Water Districts surrounding Gillette.

WHEREAS, the City of Gillette, with assistance from Campbell County, completed a May 2010 Regional System Potential Participant Connections (Level II) Study which provided detailed construction budget cost estimates to extend regional water service to existing Water Districts surrounding Gillette.

WHEREAS, the City of Gillette and Campbell County, with assistance from the Wyoming Water Development Commission, executed a December 21, 2010 Regional Water Joint Powers Agreement that identifies a Designated Service Area, Organization Structure, Financial Strategies and Governance Methods for future management of the Gillette Regional Water Supply System.

WHEREAS, \$20 million in revenues was received through a Specific Purpose Excise Tax (Capital Facilities Tax) to pay for the 33% local match to extend Regional Water Service from the new Gillette Madison Pipeline to existing Water Districts located within the Designated Service Area for the Gillette Regional Water Supply Project.

WHEREAS, the City of Gillette, with assistance from Campbell County, requested and recently received basic information from Water Districts located within the Designated Service Area including resolutions of support, water quality reports, condition assessments and financial information for their respective water system to aid in the City's effort to request and prioritize Level III Project Grant Funding from the Wyoming Water Development Commission for the engineering design, permitting, easement and construction funding for 67% of the costs necessary to extend Regional Water Service to the Water Districts.

WHEREAS, the City of Gillette has entered into Water Service Agreements with Water Districts Identified as Priority One Water Districts: Antelope Valley Improvement and Service District, Benmor Subdivision, Cook Road Water District, Overbrook Subdivision, Rafter D Homeowner's Association, Southfork Estates, Springhill Ranch, and Force Road Joint Powers Board. The City of Gillette has also entered into Water Service Agreements with Water Districts identified as Priority Two Water Districts: Rock Road, Eight Mile Improvement and Service District, and Stone Gate Estates. The City of Gillette has also entered into Water Service Agreements with Water Districts identified as Priority Three Water Districts: American Road Water and Sewer District, Freedom Hills Improvement and Service District, Meadow Springs Improvement and Service District, and Crestview Estates. The City of Gillette has also entered into Water Service Agreements with Water Districts identified as Priority Four Water Districts: Rozet

Ranchettes and Fox Ridge. The City of Gillette has entered into Water Service Agreements with Water Districts that will be prioritized for future projects: Campbell County Airport, Buckskin Improvement and Service District, Stroup Trailer Court, and Eagle Ridge.

WHEREAS, the City of Gillette will own, operate and maintain the proposed extension pipelines and appurtenances up to wholesale master meter(s) from the new Madison Pipeline Project to the existing Water Districts located within the Designated Service Area as established by the December 21, 2010 Joint Powers Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GILLETTE, WYOMING.

THE UTILITIES DEPARTMENT STAFF IS AUTHORIZED TO SUBMIT A LEVEL III GRANT APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GILLETTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,563,857.32 TO THE WYOMING WATER DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR PROJECTS TO EXTEND REGIONAL WATER SERVICE TO EXISTING IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICE DISTRICTS AND OTHER WATER SYSTEMS COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS "WATER DISTRICTS" LOCATED WITHIN THE DESIGNATED SERVICE AREA AS ESTABLISHED BY THE DECEMBER 21, 2010 CITY/COUNTY JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE GILLETTE REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PROJECT.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF September 2016.

Louise Carter-King, Mayor

Attest:

Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk