

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE WYOMING WATER DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION PROJECT AGREEMENT, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GILLETTE, TO FUND THE GILLETTE REGIONAL EXTENSIONS – PHASE V 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, and storage reservoirs in order to meet our long term water supply needs.

WHEREAS, the City of Gillette had, in 2008, applied for and was approved funding from the State Legislature for Phase I of the Gillette Regional Water Supply Project.

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, 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 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.

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, through execution of the Project Agreement with the WWDC, WWDC is committing to fund 67% of the estimated \$4,610,000.00 total project cost, or \$3,088,700.00, and the City of Gillette is committing to paying the remaining 33% with Capital Facilities Tax funding for design, right of way acquisition, and construction of the Gillette Regional Water Supply – Phase V Project.

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

THAT THE MAYOR IS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THE WYOMING WATER DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION PROJECT AGREEMENT, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GILLETTE, TO FUND THE GILLETTE REGIONAL EXTENSIONS – PHASE V PROJECT.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 21ST DAY OF APRIL 2020.

Louise Carter-King, Mayor

Attest:

Cindy Staskiewicz, City Clerk