CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

RESOLUTION NO. 47-20

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR APPROXIMATELY 21 ACRES OF LAND AT 2312 MONUMENT ROAD FOR THE ONGOING DEVELOPMENT OF THE MONUMENT ROAD TRAIL AND OTHER RECREATION AND CONSERVATION ACTIVITIES AND USES

Recitals:

On October 2,2019 the City Council approved Resolution 63-19 which supported the Mesa County Land Conservancy, Inc., with the trade name of Colorado West Land Trust, a private, non-profit land conservation corporation ("Trust"), in its acquisition of approximately twenty-one acres (20.65) of land located at 2312 Monument Road ("Property") in the City of Grand Junction.

The intent of the Trust, and ultimately the City, was to acquire the Property and place a conservation easement ("Conservation Easement") on it and deed it to the City as open space. Resolution 63-19 provided that the City would enter into such further agreements as necessary and proper to obtain and pass through grant funds to the Trust and complete the project. Great Outdoors Colorado ("GOCO") awarded a grant, the Property has been acquired and the Conservation Easement has been drafted, reviewed by City staff and is recommended for approval by City Council.

The Conservation Easement, in the form attached, contains restrictions on the use and development of the Property, which are intended to protect its open space and other trail based recreation and conservation values. The City Council has found that the Conservation Easement is consistent with the prior approval, provides benefits that are in the public interest and by and with the adoption of this Resolution authorizes the President of the City Council, on behalf of the City Council, to approve and sign the Conservation Easement for the purpose of forever conserving the open space character, wildlife habitat, and scenic qualities of the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION THAT:

The City Council does consent and agree to the execution this reservation of Deed of Conservation Easement for the purpose of acknowledging that the Property is being conveyed to the City subject to the terms of the Deed of Conservation Easement, attached hereto and incorporated by this reference as if fully set forth.

Passed and adopted this 15th day of July 2020.

President of the City Council

ATTEST:

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