Resolution No. 25-19

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR A BUREAU OF RECLAMATION GRANT FOR THE PRESSURE CONTROL TANK PROJECT

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado that:

The City of Grand Junction by, with and through this Resolution of the City Council supports the WaterSMART Drought Response Program, Drought Resiliency Project Grant application that the City of Grand Junction has made to the United States Bureau of Reclamation (BOR). The application will assist the City in construct the Pressure Control Tank Project to increase the drought resiliency of the City's Purdy Mesa water supply line.

Through WaterSMART, the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) leverages Federal and non-Federal funding to work cooperatively with states, tribes, and local entities as they plan for and implement actions to increase water supply reliability through investments in existing infrastructure and attention to local water conflicts. The WaterSMART Drought Response Program supports a proactive approach to drought by providing financial assistance to water managers to implement projects that will build long-term resilience to drought (Drought Resiliency Projects).

In accordance with the grant purposes, the City Utilities Department proposes to construct a new Pressure Control Tank with a total volume of 510,000 gallons to replace the existing flow control tower which will allow the City to operate the Purdy Mesa Flow Line at maximum flow capacity (9.8 mgd) thereby increasing the reliability of water supplies, improving drought resiliency, and conserving water.

The City staff is seeking Bureau of Reclamation grant funding in the amount of \$700,000 over a period of 2 years. The City Council of the City of Grand Junction authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations, including established deadlines, of any Grant awarded.

If the grant is awarded, the City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to sign the grant agreement with Bureau of Reclamation for the Water Marketing Strategy grant program.

The City staff has recommended that the City Council support the grant application and if awarded that the grant be utilized for the important purposes of continuing to carefully manage the water resources.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 3rd day of April 2019

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