

RESOLUTION NO. 10-57

INTRODUCED BY:

Councilperson Gilbert

Councilperson Hamilton-Bruer

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF CASTLE PINES NORTH, COLORADO
ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S RENEWABLE WATER POLICY**

WHEREAS, the City of Castle Pines North has retained Jim McGrady as its Interim Director of Utilities (the "Utility Director"); and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 10-56, the City Council has established the Castle Pines North Water & Wastewater Enterprise (the "City Enterprise");

WHEREAS, Mr. McGrady is the former general manager of the Castle Pines North Metropolitan District (the "District") and was involved in developing and implementing the District's current renewable water plan (the "District Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the District is located entirely within the City and the District serves residents and taxpayers of the City; and

WHEREAS, the District Plan is designed to increase the District's identification and acquisition of additional renewable water sources in the future in order to ensure a long range sustainable water supply for its water customers; and

WHEREAS, the Utility Director has informed City Council that, based upon competent ground water engineering studies and other competent evidence, the ground water resources available to serve water customers within the community will significantly decrease over the next ten years, and that future development or reliance on ground water resources in the future may prove uneconomical in the long term; and

WHEREAS, the identification and acquisition of renewable sources of water is fundamental to the long range economic sustainability of the Castle Pines North community; and

WHEREAS, the successful implementation of the District Plan, as the same may be modified from time to time, will require substantial capital expenditures in the future, including but not limited to the acquisition of additional renewable water rights, water storage, water transmission lines and facilities, and additional water treatment facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City anticipates working closely with the District in order to ensure that the District Plan is implemented for the benefit of the Castle Pines North community; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to continue to work with the District to integrate and consolidate water, wastewater and stormwater service delivery within the community for the benefit of the residents and taxpayers of the community; and

WHEREAS, the utility services currently provided by the District may, at a future date, be provided by the City Enterprise with continued involvement of the District as to long range strategic planning and other activities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to establish a prospective policy declaring the City Council's commitment to renewable water.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLE PINES NORTH, COLORADO, THAT:

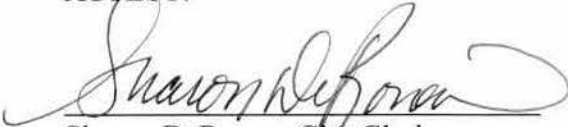
Section 1. The City Council hereby formally declares its commitment to identifying and acquiring renewable water resources for the benefit of the community, including but not limited to supporting the implementation of the District Plan. To the extent that utility services currently provided by the District are provided in the future by the City Enterprise, the City shall work cooperatively with the District and its Board of Directors to implement the key components of the District Plan.

Section 2. This Resolution is effective immediately upon adoption.

INTRODUCED, READ AND ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLE PINES NORTH by a vote of five (5) in favor, none against and two (2) absent this 22nd day of June, 2010.


Jeffrey T. Huff, Mayor

ATTEST:


Sharon DeRouen, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Linda C. Michow, City Attorney



City of Castle Pines North, Colorado

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION FORM

AGENDA ITEM – Resolution No. 10-57

FROM: Marcus McAskin, Assistant City Attorney

DATE: June 14, 2010

ITEM: Resolution Establishing the City's Renewable Water Policy

NEXT STEP: Continue to work cooperatively with the Castle Pines North Metropolitan District regarding implementation of the District's Renewable Water Plan

- I. **REQUEST OR ISSUE:** Resolution No. 10-57, as proposed, establishes the renewable water policy of the City of Castle Pines North.
- II. **RECOMMENDED ACTION / NEXT STEP:** It is the recommendation of the City's Interim Utility Director that the City adopt Resolution No. 10-57, as presented. Assuming City Council approves Resolution No. 10-57, the City's Interim Utility Director will communicate this action to the Board of Directors of the Castle Pines North Metropolitan District (the "District"), or District staff, as appropriate.
- III. **FISCAL IMPACTS:** Adoption of the proposed Resolution will have no immediate fiscal impact.
- IV. **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The City's current Interim Utility Director was formerly employed as the general manager of the Castle Pines North Metropolitan District (the "District") and in that role was involved in developing and implementing the District's current renewable water plan (the "District Plan"). The District Plan is designed to increase the District's identification and acquisition of additional renewable water sources in the future in order to ensure that the community secures a sustainable water supply. The Interim Utility Director has informed City Council and City Staff that, based upon ground water engineering studies and other competent evidence, the ground water resources available to serve water customers within the community will significantly decrease over the next ten years, and that future development or reliance on ground water resources in the future will be uneconomical. The identification and acquisition of renewable sources of water is therefore of critical importance to the long range economic sustainability of the Castle Pines North community, and the community's ability to continue to attract new residents and business investment. The successful implementation of the District Plan, as the same may be modified from time to time, will require substantial capital expenditures in the future, including but not limited to the acquisition of additional renewable water rights, water storage, water transmission lines and facilities, and additional water treatment facilities. Resolution No. 10-57 seeks to establish City Council's commitment to securing additional renewable water resources for the benefit of the community.
- V. **LEGAL ISSUES:** None.
- VI. **CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:** None.

VII. SUMMARY AND ALTERNATIVES: Resolution No. 10-57 establishes the City's renewable water policy. The City Council can:

- (1) Approve Resolution No. 10-57;
- (2) Amend Resolution No. 10-57 and direct Staff to schedule consideration of the Resolution, as amended, at a future public meeting of City Council; or
- (3) Reject or deny Resolution No. 10-57.

cc: CPN Elected Officials via Council Meeting Packet
CPN Staff via Email