

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-44**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLE PINES,  
COLORADO SUPPORTING THE CHATFIELD RESERVOIR STORAGE  
REALLOCATION PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has determined that Chatfield Reservoir, located in Douglas and Jefferson counties, can safely store an additional twenty thousand six hundred acre feet (20,600 a.f.) of water beyond that currently held without jeopardizing the reservoir's flood control purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the reservoir's current authorized purposes include flood control, recreation, fish and wildlife and water supply, and the reallocation of storage space has been authorized since 1986; and

**WHEREAS**, the Draft Integrated Feasibility Report / Environmental Impact Statement (FR/EIS) for the Chatfield Reservoir Storage Reallocation Study (the "Reallocation Study") has been prepared by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in cooperation with the State of Colorado and in consultation with 15 prospective water users groups and many other interested parties, including the Castle Pines North Metropolitan District (CPNMD); and

**WHEREAS**, CPNMD provides water service within the boundaries of the City of Castle Pines; and

**WHEREAS**, the Reallocation Study has been supported by the Colorado Congressional delegation (FY2007–FY2012 appropriations bills and numerous joint letters), the Colorado General Assembly (SJR 07-019) and the Colorado Water Conservation Board (serving as non-federal sponsor for the Reallocation Study) through formal adoption of its January 2010 resolution, and allocation of \$13 million to assist with implementation); and

**WHEREAS**, storing more water in Chatfield Reservoir will make better use of an existing facility and capture additional runoff flowing down the South Platte River and Plum Creek without pumping; and

**WHEREAS**, allocating the additional storage space to entities holding current water rights to that water will prevent the loss of as much as 20,600 a.f. of South Platte River water in wet years to out-of state-flows; and

**WHEREAS**, in a drought year like 2012, the additional water storage space in Chatfield Reservoir (along with aggressive water conservation efforts) could make the difference in having enough water for municipal, industrial, agricultural and environmental purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, as discussed in the Colorado Water Conservation Board's Statewide Water Supply Initiative (SWSI), there is an anticipated water supply shortage, or gap, of approximately 262,700 to 435,000 acre feet per year in the Denver metropolitan area over the next 40 years, and

**WHEREAS**, the water providers who contract and pay for use of the water storage space in Chatfield Reservoir have agreed to undertake and pay for needed mitigation of environmental impacts and to undertake and pay for modification of recreation facilities as needed.

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

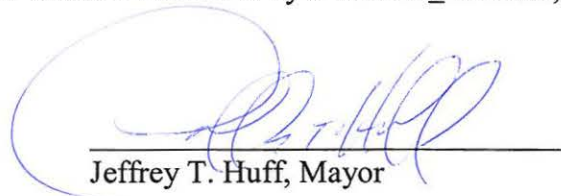
**Section 1.** The City of Castle Pines supports the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Tentatively Recommended Plan in the Draft Integrated FR/EIS on the Chatfield Reservoir Storage Reallocation Project; specifically, the City of Castle Pines supports the reallocation of 20,600 a.f. of Chatfield Reservoir's flood control storage to water supply storage.

**Section 2.** The City of Castle Pines urges the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to complete its final review of the Chatfield Reservoir Storage Reallocation Project and timely proceed to issue a Record of Decision in order to ensure that additional water may be stored in Chatfield Reservoir as soon as possible.

**Section 3.** The City Council directs the Deputy City Clerk to submit a copy of this Resolution (Resolution No. 12-44) to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, in order that this Resolution may be made a part of the record of public comments on the Draft Integrated FR/EIS.

**Section 4.** **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its approval by the City Council.

**INTRODUCED, READ AND ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLE PINES** by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 against and 1 absent this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012.

  
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Jeffrey T. Huff, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Dan Schatz, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Linda C. Michow, City Attorney