

**FARM LEASE**  
**Cole Property, 2401 E. Bridge Street, Brighton, CO 80601**  
**92.5 Acres, 85.1 Farmable Acres**

**THIS FARM LEASE** (“Lease”) is made and entered into as of the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015 (the “effective date”), by and between **THE CITY OF BRIGHTON**, a Colorado home rule municipality having its address at 500 South 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Brighton, Colorado 80601 (“Landlord”), and **Dave and Ronda Loeffler, individually**, having a business address of 2191 E. Bridge Street, Brighton, Colorado 80601 (“Tenant”), as follows:

WITNESSETH, that the Landlord, for and in consideration of the rents, covenants, promises and agreements hereinafter set forth, does hereby lease and convey unto the Tenant for the “Term,” subject to the terms and provisions of this Lease and all attached Exhibits, the following described real property, to wit (the “Premises”):

A PARCEL OF LAND OWNED BY THE LANDLORD AND LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH RANGE 66 WEST OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, CITY OF BRIGHTON, COUNTY OF ADAMS, STATE OF COLORADO, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT A, ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE, CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY NINETY TWO AND 5/100 (92.5) ACRES.

Located in the County of Adams, State of Colorado, for five (5) years, commencing on the effective date hereof, and ending on the last day of December, 2019 (the “Term”); for the Tenant’s use in raising hay and grazing cattle, as provided herein. At the expiration of the Term, Landlord and Tenants may renew this Lease for an additional five (5) year Term by executing a new Lease instrument, which right of renewal shall be at the sole discretion of the Landlord.

The Tenant does hereby hire and let said Premises from the Landlord, and covenants and agrees with the Landlord and Landlord’s agents or assigns, that as payment to the Landlord for the use and benefit accruing to the Tenant from the use and occupancy of the Premises as provided herein, the Tenant shall and hereby does bind the Tenant and its heirs and personal representatives, as follows:

**First. Cash Rent.** The Tenant shall pay to the Landlord cash rent each year for the Term, in the base amount of Two Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$2,978.00) per 85.1 farmable acres, payable in one (1) installment per year in good funds made payable and delivered to the Landlord upon the execution of this Lease or on or before February 1 of each year. Tenant shall pay the following cash rent yearly for the remaining years of the Term, \$14,978 Year 2, \$14,978 Year 3, \$14,978 Year 4, and \$14,978 year 5.

Tenant shall pay the Landlord \$1,000 per month for each month of the initial Term for the lease of the house located on the Premises, payable in good funds and delivered to Landlord on or before the first of each month.

Upon the renewal of the initial Term for an additional five (5) year term, the Landlord and Co-Tenants shall agree upon the cash rent yearly installment for said additional term, and execute an addendum to this Lease setting forth said cash rental amounts.

**Second.** Crops. The Tenant shall farm the Premises in a good and workmanlike manner; shall haul out all debris on the Premises and properly dispose of same or place it where the Landlord desires or instructs, and shall plant hay on the Premises.

**Third.** Duty of Care. The Tenant especially covenants and agrees that the Tenant shall care for the Premises as the Tenant's own, and shall diligently and properly care for and cultivate all of the crops to be grown on the Premises, whenever and as often as said crops shall reasonably require; and Tenant hereby expressly consents that the Tenant shall procure such help or assistance as is reasonably necessary to properly care for and cultivate said crops, and that all expenses thereof shall be paid for by the Tenant. The Tenant shall not allow any furrows to be run so as to cause ditches to wash said Premises, unless first having written consent of the Landlord. That he shall clean out and maintain in good repair, during the term of this Lease, all ditches belonging or appertaining to the Premises.

**Fourth.** Duty to Cut and Control Weeds. It is further agreed to and understood Tenant agrees to keep all foul and noxious weeds cut and controlled on said Premises, including in all ditches, canals and laterals if any; and also, upon any strip of land lying outside the fences, if any, as far as the center of the roadway, if necessary.

**Fifth.** Maintenance and Return of Premises. Tenant has received said demised Premises in good order and condition, and at the expiration of the Term of this Lease, or upon a breach by the Tenant of any of the covenants herein contained, agrees to peaceably and faithfully yield up and deliver said Premises to the Landlord, inclusive of all ditches, wells, pumps, pipelines, equipment and fixtures thereon, if any, in as good order and condition as when the same were entered upon, loss by inevitable accident, act of God, or ordinary wear and tear excepted; and the Tenant shall also keep said Premises, inclusive of said ditches, fixtures and equipment, if any, and all fences and gates, in good order and repair during this Lease, at the Tenant's own expense. Tenant agrees not to sublet all or any portion of said Premises to any other party, nor shall Tenant assign this Lease or any interest herein without prior written consent of the Landlord, which consent may be withheld in the Landlord's sole discretion. Tenant shall not use or permit the said Premises to be used for any purpose prohibited by the laws or regulations of the United States, the State of Colorado, Adams County, the City of Brighton, or other governmental entity or agency having jurisdiction or regulatory authority over the Premises or its appurtenances, nor shall the Tenant use or permit the Premises or its appurtenances to be used contrary to the terms of this Lease, or to the detriment or disadvantage of the Landlord in any respect.

**Sixth.** Fencing. The Tenant shall properly fence area used for livestock grazing, and shall at all times keep gates closed and properly fastened, all fences and gates leading to or from said Premises.

**Seventh.** Entry by Landlord During Term. The Landlord hereby reserves the right to re-enter the Premises at any reasonable time during the Term of this Lease, upon providing reasonable advance notice to the Tenant. Tenant agrees to reasonably cooperate with the Landlord regarding same, and shall allow all reasonable entry and inspections of the Premises such as may occur during reasonable business hours. It is understood between the parties that if, during the term of this Lease, the Landlord determines in its sole discretion that it is necessary to occupy and use all or part of the Lease Premises for its own purpose, then this Lease may be cancelled or modified by Landlord to provide for said use by the Landlord as the

Landlord may determine. All adjustments, if any, as a result of the cancellation or modification shall be as of the date of change of use. If cancelled or modified, the Landlord shall not be liable for any loss or damage to Tenant as a result thereof.

**Eighth. Landlord's Reversion and Estate.** It is further expressly agreed and understood by and between the Parties, that the Landlord does not by this Lease part with Landlord's entire possession of said Premises, but only so far and so much as is necessary to enable the Tenant to properly farm said Premises temporarily, and to carry out the terms and provisions of this Lease. All crops are and shall be held by the Tenant except as otherwise provided herein, and the Landlord hereby reserves the right to at all reasonable times enter in and upon said Premises and every part thereof and to do such acts and things as may be deemed necessary for the protection of the Landlord's interest and estate therein.

**Ninth. Hold Harmless.** Tenant shall indemnify, defend, and hold Landlord harmless from and against any and all claims or demands arising from or out of Tenant's use and occupancy of the Premises, or from the conduct of Tenant's business or from any activity, work or other acts or undertakings that may be undertaken, permitted or suffered by Tenant in or about the Premises, and the Tenant shall further indemnify, defend and hold the Landlord harmless in all respects from and against any and all claims or demands arising from or out of any breach or default in the performance of the terms and provisions of this Lease by Tenant, including any attachments, Exhibits, documents or instruments referenced herein; or arising from any negligent or intentional act or omission by Tenant or its agents, employees, hands, contractors, guests, or invitees on the Premises, and from and against any and all costs, attorneys fees, expenses or liabilities incurred by Landlord in the defense of any such claim or demand, or any action or proceeding brought thereon. Tenant hereby assumes all risk of bodily injury or damage to property or persons in or about the Premises from any cause during the term of this Lease or otherwise during Tenant's occupancy of the Premises, and Tenant hereby expressly waives all claims or demands in respect thereof against Landlord, except where such damage or loss, if any, is proximately caused by the Landlord.

**Tenth. Entire Agreement.** It is understood that this instrument embodies the whole agreement between the parties. There are no promises, terms, conditions, or obligations other than those contained herein and this Lease shall supersede all previous communications, representations, or agreements either verbal or written between the parties hereto.

**Eleventh. Notice.** All notice provided under this Lease shall be effective when mailed, postage prepaid and sent to the following addresses:

**If Tenant:**

Dave and Ronha Loeffler  
2191 E. Bridge Street  
Brighton, CO 80601  
Phone Number:

**If City:**

Director of Parks  
and Recreation  
City of Brighton  
500 South 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601  
303.655.2049

**With Copy To:**

City Manager  
  
City of Brighton  
500 South 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601  
303.655.2001

Procurement & Contracts  
Manager  
City of Brighton  
500 South 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601

**Twelfth. Miscellaneous.** The Tenant shall not cause, allow, or suffer or permit to be caused or allowed, any undue waste or destruction of Landlord's Property. In case of any breach of this Lease by a Party, then the non-breaching Party shall be entitled to claim and recover its actual damages and reasonable attorney fees and costs from the other Party, in any civil action to remedy or cure such breach. This Lease may be recorded in the real property records of Adams County, Colorado.

**Thirteenth, Additional Provisions:** (1) Tenant shall keep all fences in good repair and all ditch banks and fence lines shall be kept free from weeds; (2) United Power or other utility bills, if any, associated with Tenant's farming activities shall be promptly paid by Tenant, in full, when due; (3) No trash, debris, vegetable packing boxes, or other refuse or material shall be deposited or left upon the Premises, and the Tenant agrees to keep the Premises free and clear of such trash, debris and other such material during this Lease and upon re-delivery of the Premises to Landlord at the end of this Lease; (4) Lessee to maintain all farm buildings on the Premises; (5) City will make repairs to the main house; (6) In the event that the Premises, or any portion thereof, become subject to a condemnation or other proceeding or taking through eminent domain or other process, then all proceeds shall be payable to the Landlord except for any compensation attributable to Tenant's crops, which shall be Tenant's obligation, not Landlord's, to pursue and recover from the condemning authority directly. Tenant shall have no claim to any portion of the just compensation or proceeds attributable to the real property and Premises; (7) By entering into this Lease, the Landlord does not in any way waive its rights, remedies, limitations, or exclusions under the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, C.R.S. § 24-10-101 et seq.; (8) To the extent that any of these Additional Provisions conflict with any other provision in this Lease, then these Additional Provisions shall control, such that the Lease is construed, in all respects, in a commercially reasonable manner and not unfairly as against the Landlord.

WHEREFORE, THIS LEASE IS EXECUTED by the Parties, as of the date first written above.

