

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO ADAMS COUNTY OPEN SPACE IN THE AMOUNT OF SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$682,000.00), FOR THE “WATER TOWER FIELDS TURF CONVERSION PROJECT”; AND AUTHORIZING THE ACTING CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE GRANT APPLICATION.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-76

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Brighton determines that it is appropriate for the City to apply for an Adams County Open Space Grant, for a project that converts one field of bluegrass sod to artificial turf and this project is entitled, “Water Tower Fields Turf Conversion Project” (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that the development of the Project is essential to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Brighton, and that this type of turf conversion Project is a needed amenity within Brighton; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the existing Water Tower fields do not presently meet the needs of the Brighton citizens and that the larger 100-yard field in Water Tower Park needs to be replaced and converted to artificial turf; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Brighton have expressed support for the Water Tower Fields Turf Conversion Project that is located within Brighton; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton owns the Water Tower Park land that is this Project site; and the City has a proven record of successfully completing grant-funded public projects and properly maintaining such projects after they are constructed and installed; and

WHEREAS, toward that end, the City of Brighton City Council finds and determines that it is proper to apply for a \$682,000.00 Active Grant from Adams County Open Space, to partially fund the Project’s turf conversion of the large 100-yard football field for the public benefit and for youth to play football, soccer, or lacrosse; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton estimates that the total cost of the Project, as set forth in the Adams County Open Space – Active Grant Application, will be \$1,240,000.00, of which City is presently applying through an Adams County Open Space Grant for funding the Project in the amount of \$682,000.00, and the City is funding the remaining \$558,000.00 through the City’s 2018 budget – Recreation Capital Fund; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton City Council believes that it is reasonable and proper for the City to enter into a written agreement with Adams County Open Space, provided that Adams County Open Space issues the Adams County Open Space – Active Grant, for the budgeting, allocation and contribution of funds to the Project in the amounts contemplated herein; and

WHEREAS, the City Council upon receiving a Grant Agreement from Adams County Open Space, will have an opportunity to review the language of the Agreement before authorizing the signing of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that said Grant Agreement would be necessary and proper in order to proceed with the Project, and that it is in the best interests of the City to approve entering into such an Agreement should the Adams County Open Space grant be awarded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGHTON, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City Staff is hereby authorized to submit to Adams County Open Space the Application for an Adams County Open Space – Active Grant, for the “Water Tower Fields Turf Conversion Project”, and the Acting City Manager is authorized to sign the Grant Application on behalf of the City.
2. Upon the City’s receipt of a written acknowledgement from Adams County, that Adams County Open Space will fund the Application in the amount of \$682,000.00, the Acting City Manager or his designee is directed to commence good faith negotiations for a reasonable “*Grant Agreement*” between the City and Adams County Open Space, for consideration by the City Council.

RESOLVED, this 1st day of August 2017.

CITY OF BRIGHTON, COLORADO

ATTEST:

By: _____
Richard N. McLean, Mayor

Natalie Hoel, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Margaret R. Brubaker, Esq.
City Attorney