RESOLUTION NO. 2020-070

A RESOLUTION APPROVING TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK/TOWN OF LOCHBUIE WATER LEASE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Town of Castle Rock (Castle Rock) and the Town of Lochbuie (Lochbuie) have agreed to enter into a Water Lease Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Castle Rock owns certain water in Chatfield Reservoir that is reusable and fully consumable after its first use for municipal purposes by the Castle Rock. From time to time, a certain amount of this water is surplus to the needs and obligations of the Castle Rock ("Surplus Water"); and

WHEREAS, Castle Rock anticipates it will have Surplus Water available from time to time in 2020; and

WHEREAS, Lochbuie desires to exchange a certain portion of the Surplus Water from Castle Rock in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Lochbuie owns certain Denver Basin non-tributary groundwater rights in the Dawson, Denver and Arapahoe Aquifers ("Bell Mountain Ground Water") accessible by the Bell Mountain Wells (Well Permit Nos. 57960-F, 57961-F, and 57962-F) and delivered to East Plum Creek via existing pipeline infrastructure. The decreed quantity of the Bell Mountain Ground Water is as follows:

Dawson Aquifer 200 acre-feet/year Denver Aquifer 145 acre-feet/year Arapahoe Aquifer 425 acre-feet/year

WHEREAS, Castle Rock may, from time to time, desire to use and successively reuse to extinction, Lochbuie's Bell Mountain Ground Water for Castle Rock's municipal use, in exchange for a like quantity of Surplus Water at Chatfield, up to 535 AF less transit losses; and

WHEREAS, Castle Rock will provide the cost of carriage of Lochbuie's Bell Mountain Ground Water to East Plum Creek for use by Castle Rock, and Lochbuie will receive a like amount of water in Chatfield in exchange therefore; and

WHEREAS, if Castle Rock does not use the Bell Mountain Ground Water pursuant to this Agreement, Lochbuie shall still be permitted to lease a portion of the Surplus Water as described herein at a rate of \$300 per acre-foot.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Approval. The Water Lease Agreement, in the form attached as *Exhibit 1* is hereby approved. The Mayor and other proper Town officials are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement by and on behalf of the Town of Castle Rock, Colorado.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of August, 2020, by the Town Council of the Town of Castle Rock, Colorado, on first and final reading by a vote of for and against.	
ATTEST:	TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK
Lisa Anderson, Town Clerk	Jason Gray, Mayor
Approved as to form:	Approved as to content:
Michael J. Hyman, Town Attorney	Mark Marlowe, Director of Castle Rock Water