Larimer County and City of Fort Collins

Intergovernmental Agreements

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(Regarding Cooperation on Managing Urban Development)

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- C. The City agrees to annex all County Road rights-of-way, easements, etc., adjacent to a voluntary annexation in accordance with Title 31, Article 12 Colorado Revised Statutes; provided, however, that the City may decline to annex such County roads and rights-of-way if annexation of such roads and rights-of-way would impede future annexations anticipated by the City to be accomplished by the use of a "flagpole" configuration or if such County road is primarily used by County development. In the event the City declines to annex any such roads or rights-of-way, it shall provide a written explanation in the annexation impact reports provided to the County outlining the City's reasons for not annexing such roads or rights-of-way.
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- G. The County agrees to require a binding agreement for future annexation in the form attached as Exhibit 2 as a condition of approval of any development application requiring approval by the Larimer County Board of Commissioners, which is located within the GMA but is not, at the time of development approval, eligible for voluntary annexation to the City.
- 8. <u>Improvements to and Maintenance of Public Facilities.</u> The County agrees to require development proposals within the GMA to make improvements to County roads consistent with the Larimer County Urban Road Standards for the GMA which, to the extent reasonably feasible (as this term is defined in the Fort Collins Land Use Code), will be consistent with the multi-modal and level of service standards for road improvements required by the City inside the City limits. The City agrees to provide routine maintenance and inspection of such public infrastructure improvements (whether on or off the development site) which, but for the design requirements established in the Larimer County Land Use Code for large retail establishments and for the Fossil Creek Area, would not otherwise have been required by Larimer County Urban Standards. (Examples of such improvements may include transit facilities, bicycle lanes, or parkway/median landscaping.)

The City agrees to apply its Off-Site Street Improvements Policy to any development within the City limits which has an identifiable impact on the County road system which may require the developer to make certain improvements to County roads outside the City limits. If improvements are to be made to County roads outside the City limits, the City agrees to send plans of said improvements to the Larimer County Planning Department and Larimer County Public Works Department for review and comment. The City also agrees to provide routine maintenance and inspection of all such public infrastructure improvements (whether on or off the development site) which, but for the design requirements established in the Larimer County Land Use Code for large retail establishments and for the Fossil Creek Area, would not have been required by Larimer County Urban Standards. (Examples of such improvements may include transit facilities, bicycle lanes, or parkway/median landscaping.)

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- 10. <u>Collection of a Drainage Basin Fee for the GMA Zoning District.</u> Pursuant to Title 30, Article 28, Section 133 (11), Colorado Revised Statutes and Section 9.2.4 (Imposition of Drainage/Storm Water Facility Fees, of the Larimer County Land Use Code), the County shall collect a drainage fee at the time of issuance of applicable building permits for improvements on lands located within the GMA in the same amount as the basin fee collected by the City of Fort Collins within the City limits. Such fee shall be used for Drainage Capital Improvements within the basin from which the fee was collected. Drainage improvements shall be consistent with the current Drainage Basin Master Plans and project scheduling shall be mutually agreed upon by the City and County. The drainage fee shall be reviewed annually by the County and any needed modifications shall be made to Section 9.2.4 of the Larimer County Land Use Code.
- 11. <u>Amendments to the GMA Boundary.</u> The City and County agree that any amendments to the GMA Boundary shall be mutually agreed upon in writing by the parties. The County shall implement such amendments in accordance with the procedures and requirements for amendments to zoning district boundaries outlined in the Larimer County Land Use Code.
- 12. <u>Enforcement.</u> Both the City and County intend that this Agreement be binding upon them. Either party hereto shall be permitted to specifically enforce any provision of this agreement in a Court of competent jurisdiction.
- 13. <u>Term.</u> This Agreement shall remain in force and effect for a period of ten years from the date of its execution. Thereafter, it shall be automatically renewed for successive five year terms unless, at least six (6) months prior to its scheduled expiration, either party notifies the other party, in writing, of its decision that the Agreement not be renewed.
- 14. <u>Severability.</u> In the event either party is prevented by court order from performing or enforcing any provision of this agreement, or enforcing any regulations, both parties shall have the option of terminating this agreement upon mutual consent.

15. Prior Agreements.

- A. This Agreement supersedes all prior Intergovernmental Agreements entitled "Regarding Cooperation on Managing Urban Development" between the parties to this Agreement.
- B. The Intergovernmental Agreement dated August 31, 1999, entitled "Regarding Development in the Fort Collins Cooperative Planning Area Adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir" is hereby terminated.

LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO

Chair, Board of County Commissioners

Deputy City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Assistant County Attorney

THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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EXHIBIT "2"

SAMPLE ANNEXATION AGREEMENT

TO THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO:

The undersigned owner (hereinafter referred to as "OWNER") of the property, more particularly described on Attachment "A", attached hereto, has filed an application with Larimer County under the terms of the INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE FORT COLLINS GROWTH MANAGEMENT AREA between Larimer County and the City of Fort Collins (hereinafter referred to as "CITY". It is expressly understood and agreed by the undersigned OWNER that, if granted, the development approval shall be in consideration of and upon the following terms and conditions, to-wit:

- If the property shall ever be included within the boundaries of a territory which is sought 1. to be annexed to the CITY itself, then and in that event, the undersigned OWNER specifically agrees to consent to and join in the annexation of such territory by the CITY; and that the undersigned OWNER will comply with all of the legal requirements and conditions pertaining to the annexation of territory to the CITY. It is understood by the undersigned OWNER that the primary consideration for granting of development approval according to the terms of the INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE FORT COLLINS GROWTH MANAGEMENT AREA is the undersigned OWNER'S covenant and the promise to consent to the annexation of said territory to the CITY, comply with all requirement and conditions as aforesaid and sign all petitions and maps pertaining thereto. Furthermore, the undersigned does hereby empower and irrevocably authorize and appoint the City Clerk of the City of Fort Collins, Colorado, as lawful attorney-in-fact, on behalf of the undersigned, to sign any such annexation petitions and maps thereby binding the undersigned, to all of the terms and provisions of said petitions and maps for all intents and purposes as if the undersigned had signed said petitions and maps. This power of attorney shall not be affected by the disability of the principal. This appointment shall not preclude the City from undertaking any other available action, which may be necessary to enforce the provisions of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the limitation set forth in Section 31-12-107(8) C.R.S. 1973, OWNER hereby waives the five (5) year limitation of such power of attorney as contained therein and agrees that this power of attorney shall be valid for a term of 20 years from the date of this Agreement, unless a court of competent jurisdiction determines that the provisions of Section 31-12-107(8) C.R.S. 1973 cannot be waived or modified by the OWNER, in which event this power attorney shall be valid for a term of five (5) years from the date of this Agreement.
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- E. The County agrees that it shall refer to the City for review and comment all development applications, as defined in Section 6(A), for properties located within the GMA. The City shall advise the County whether or not the proposed development complies with the City's Comprehensive Plan and the GMA regulations in the Larimer County Land Use Code. The City shall provide its comments to the County in writing within the time required for county referrals established by State Law. Except to the extent that the City notifies the County through its written comments that the development does not comply with the standards, the County may assume that the proposed development complies with all applicable standards and the County shall have no responsibility to further review the proposed development for compliance with the standards.
- 7. <u>Development Outside of the GMA.</u> The County agrees to use the Larimer County Master Plan as a guideline for development outside the GMA. The County shall forward subsequent revisions to the Master Plan to the City for recommendations at least thirty-five (35) days prior to final action by the County. The County shall notify the City of any such revisions that it ultimately adopts within ten (10) days of adoption.

8. Annexations.

A. It is the City's intent to annex properties within the GMA as expeditiously as possible consistent with the terms of this Agreement. Except as provided in section 8(B), the City agrees to consider the annexation of any parcel or parcels of land located within the GMA which are eligible for voluntary annexation pursuant to the provisions of Title 31, Article 12 Colorado Revised Statutes.

- B. To the extent permitted by law, the City agrees it will not annex property south of County Road 32 (also known as the "Fort Collins/Loveland Corridor") or any property within the portion of the Fossil Creek Reservoir Area Plan, which is located east of County Road 11 (Timberline Road) and South of County Road 36 unless the County either requires the landowner to petition for annexation or requests that the City consider annexation. The foregoing limitations on annexation shall not apply to the annexation of publicly owned open space, trails or parklands.
- C. The City agrees to annex all County Road rights-of-way, easements, etc., adjacent to a voluntary annexation in accordance with Title 31, Article 12 Colorado Revised Statutes; provided, however, that the City may decline to annex such County roads and rights-of-way if annexation of such roads and rights-of-way would impede future annexations anticipated by the City to be accomplished by the use of a "flagpole" configuration or if such County road is primarily used by County development. In the event the City declines to annex any such roads or rights-of-way, it shall provide a written explanation in the annexation impact reports provided to the County outlining the City's reasons for not annexing such roads or rights-of-way.
- D. The City agrees to pursue involuntary annexation of any parcel that becomes eligible for involuntary annexation.
- E. The City agrees to pursue annexation of any parcel whose owner has signed an annexation agreement.
- F. The county agrees that the City, in its sole discretion, (except as provided in Section 8(B) of this agreement) may annex outside the Fort Collins GMA. The City agrees that proposed annexations outside the GMA will be sent by certified mail to the Board of County Commissioners for review and comment at least thirty-five (35) days prior to the scheduled public hearing on the annexation before the City Council.
- G. The County agrees to require a binding agreement for future annexation in the form attached as Exhibit 2 as a condition of approval of any development application requiring approval by the Larimer County Board of Commissioners, which is located within the GMA but is not, at the time of development approval, eligible for voluntary annexation to the City.
- 9. <u>Improvements to and Maintenance of Public Facilities.</u> The County agrees to require development proposals within the GMA to make improvements to County roads consistent with the Larimer County Urban Road Standards for the GMA which, to the extent reasonably feasible (as this term is defined in the Fort Collins Land Use Code), will be consistent with the multi-modal and level of service standards for road improvements required by the City inside the City limits. The City agrees to provide routine maintenance and inspection of such public infrastructure improvements (whether on or off the development site) which, but for the design requirements established in the Larimer County Land Use Code for large retail establishments and for the Fossil Creek Area, would not otherwise have been required by Larimer County Urban Standards. (Examples of such improvements may include transit facilities, bicycle lanes, or parkway/median landscaping.)

The City agrees to apply its Off-Site Street Improvements Policy to any development within the City limits which has an identifiable impact on the County road system which may require the developer to make certain improvements to County roads outside the City limits. If improvements are to be made to County roads outside the City limits, the City agrees to send plans of said improvements to the Larimer County Planning Department and Larimer County Public Works Department for review and comment. The City also agrees to provide routine maintenance and inspection of all such public infrastructure improvements (whether on or off the development site) which, but for the design requirements established

in the Larimer County Land Use Code for large retail establishments and for the Fossil Creek Area, would not have been required by Larimer County Urban Standards. (Examples of such improvements may include transit facilities, bicycle lanes, or parkway/median landscaping.)

- 10. <u>Collection of a Park Fee for the GMA Zoning District.</u> The County shall collect a community and neighborhood park fee-in-lieu-of-land dedication from all residential development located within the GMA at the time of issuance of applicable building permits. The County shall remit this fee to the City to be used to benefit residents of the area where it is collected.
- 11. Collection of a Drainage Basin Fee for the GMA Zoning District. Pursuant to Title 30, Article 28, Section 133 (11), Colorado Revised Statutes and Section 9.2.4 (Imposition of Drainage/Storm Water Facility Fees, of the Larimer County Land Use Code), the County shall collect a drainage fee at the time of issuance of applicable building permits for improvements on lands located within the GMA in the same amount as the basin fee collected by the City of Fort Collins within the City limits. Such fee shall be used for Drainage Capital Improvements within the basin from which the fee was collected. Drainage improvements shall be consistent with the current Drainage Basin Master Plans and project scheduling shall be mutually agreed upon by the City and County. The drainage fee shall be reviewed annually by the County and any needed modifications shall be made to Section 9.2.4 of the Larimer County Land Use Code.
- 12. <u>Amendments to the GMA Boundary.</u> The City and County agree that any amendments to the GMA Boundary shall be mutually agreed upon in writing by the parties. The County shall implement such amendments in accordance with the procedures and requirements for amendments to zoning district boundaries outlined in the Larimer County Land Use Code.
- 13. <u>Enforcement.</u> Both the City and County intend that this Agreement be binding upon them. Either party hereto shall be permitted to specifically enforce any provision of this agreement in a Court of competent jurisdiction.
- 14. <u>Term.</u> This Agreement shall remain in force and effect for a period of ten years from the date of its execution. Thereafter, it shall be automatically renewed for successive five year terms unless, at least six (6) months prior to its scheduled expiration, either party notifies the other party, in writing, of its decision that the Agreement not be renewed.
- 15. <u>Severability.</u> In the event either party is prevented by court order from performing or enforcing any provision of this agreement, or enforcing any regulations, both parties shall have the option of terminating this agreement upon mutual consent.
- 16, <u>Prior Agreements.</u> This Agreement supersedes all prior Intergovernmental Agreements (Regarding Cooperation on Managing Urban Development) between the parties.

LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO

By:

Chair, Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST

APPRQVED AS TO FORM:

Assistant County Attorney

THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO

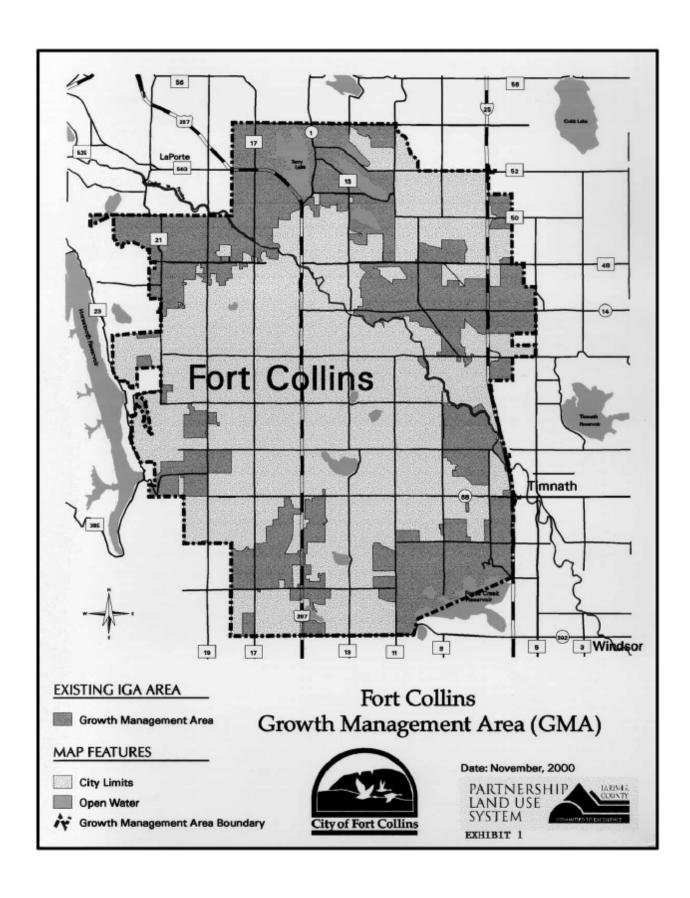
By:

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City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Deputy City Attorney



INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (Regarding Development in the Fort Collins Cooperative Planning Area Adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir)

THIS AGREEMENT, is executed this 31st day of August, 1999, by and between LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO, a body politic organized under and existing by virtue of the laws of the State of Colorado, hereinafter referred to as the "County", and THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO, a municipal corporation, hereinafter referred to as the "City".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, continued growth in the Fossil Creek Reservoir area suggests that increased coordination between the parties to this Agreement can result in better management and control of the development in this area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended, the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has found and declared that in order to provide for planned and orderly development within Colorado and a balancing of the basic human needs of a changing population with legitimate environmental concerns, the policy of the State of Colorado is to clarify and provide broad authority to local governments to plan for and regulate the use of land within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended, the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has designated certain powers to local governments, among them the power to regulate the location of activities and developments which may result in significant changes in population density, the power to provide for phased development of services and facilities, the power to regulate the use of land on the basis of the impact thereof on the community or surrounding areas, and the power to otherwise plan for and regulate the use of land so as to provide planned and orderly use of land and protection of the environment in a manner consistent with constitutional rights; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended, the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has authorized and encouraged local governments to cooperate or contract with other units of government for the purpose of planning and regulating the development of land, including but not limited to the joint exercise of planning, zoning, subdivision, building, and related regulations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to various statutes of the State of Colorado (including 31-23-255, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended), the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has enacted various supervisory tools in order that the State may better monitor the planning activities of units of local governments; and

WHEREAS, under the authority granted by Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised statutes, a number of meetings were held between the parties to this Agreement with the intent of reaching agreement regarding certain standards and regulations that should apply to development within the Fort Collins "Cooperative Planning Area" adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agreement is, with regard to the Cooperative Planning Area adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir, to implement policy GM-1.3 of the "Principles and Policies" element of the City's Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and obligations herein expressed and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, it is agreed as follows:

- 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE FORT COLLINS COOPERATIVE PLANNING AREA ADJACENT TO FOSSIL CREEK RESERVOIR. The Fort Collins Cooperative Planning Area adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir is identified as shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 2. REFERRAL TO CITY. All development applications as described in paragraph (3) below, that are received by the County for development of lands located within the Cooperative Planning Area identified on Exhibit "A" shall be processed, reviewed and approved or denied by the County. Such applications, upon receipt thereof, shall be promptly referred to the City's Director of Community Planning and Environmental Services for review and comment. No action of the County in either approving or denying any such development application shall be taken until it has received, in writing, the comments of the City, provided, however, that if the City fails to respond to such referral within twenty-one (21) days of receipt thereof, then the County may proceed to act upon such development application without the comments of the City.
- 3. ADDITIONAL REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS. Land use or development applications for which approval by the Board of County Commissioners is required and administrative site plan reviews for large retail establishments [except for Amended Plats, Minor Land Divisions (MLD), down zonings requested by Larimer County, and zoning special reviews which do not generate more than forty-five (45) vehicle trip ends (or equivalent) per day as defined in the ITE Trip Generation Manual] (which, for purposes of this Agreement shall be referred to as "development applications") shall not be approved by the County for any land located within the Cooperative Planning Area described in Exhibit "A" unless such development application has been determined by the County to be in full compliance with the following regulations which are referenced in Appendix I of the Larimer County Urban Growth Area Supplemental Regulation:
 - a. All Resource Management Area regulations as contained on pages on I-18 and I-19 of Appendix I.
 - b. All Natural Areas and features Regulations commencing on page I-57 and concluding on page I-67 of Appendix I.
- 4. CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENTS. In "Conservation Developments" all open space shall be maintained and remain undeveloped in perpetuity in accordance with appropriate Management Plans as provided in the Larimer County Land Use Code.
- 5. GENERAL LAND USES. Development Plans for lands located within the Cooperative Planning Area described in Exhibit "A" may be submitted only for land uses which are authorized pursuant to the Fossil Creek Reservoir Area Plan.
- 6. ANNEXATION. The County agrees to require a binding annexation agreement (see Appendix E of the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Fort Collins Urban Growth Area dated May 5, 1998) as a condition of approval on any development application.
- 7. COUNTY IMPLEMENTATION. The County agrees to undertake such processes as are necessary to consider for adoption such legislative amendments as needed to fully implement this agreement. These amendments shall include, but are not limited to, adoption of the Cooperative Planning Area as an overlay zone, adoption of all Resource Management Area regulations, Natural Areas and Features regulations, Conservation Development regulations and general land use regulations as are contemplated in this Agreement. Upon adoption of such regulations, the County agrees that no land use or development application for which approval by the Board of County Commissioners is required shall be approved for any land in the Cooperative Planning Area unless such development application has been determined by the County to be in full compliance with such adopted regulations.

- 8. ENFORCEMENT. It is the intent of both the City and County that this Agreement be binding upon both the City and the County, and that either party hereto shall be permitted to specifically enforce any provision of this agreement in a Court of competent jurisdiction.
- 9. TERM. This Agreement shall remain in force and effect for a period of ten years from the date of its execution. Thereafter, it shall be automatically renewed for successive five year terms unless, at least six (6) months prior to its scheduled expiration, either party notifies the other party of its decision that the Agreement not be renewed.
- 10. APPLICABILITY. Whenever a provision of the Larimer County Comprehensive Zoning Resolution, the Larimer County Subdivision Resolution, the Larimer County Planned Unit Development Resolution, or the Larimer County Mobile Home Resolution or a provision of any Land Use Code adopted in lieu of such regulations is inconsistent with regulations adopted to implement this Agreement, such implementing regulations shall apply, provided that in no event shall such implementing regulations take precedence over the Larimer County Flood Plain Resolution.
- 11. SEVERABILITY. In the event either party is prevented by court order from performing any provision of this agreement, or enforcing any regulations, both parties shall have the option of terminating this agreement upon mutual consent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO

THE COUNTY OF LARIMER, COLORADO

Chair, Board of Commissioners

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Mayor

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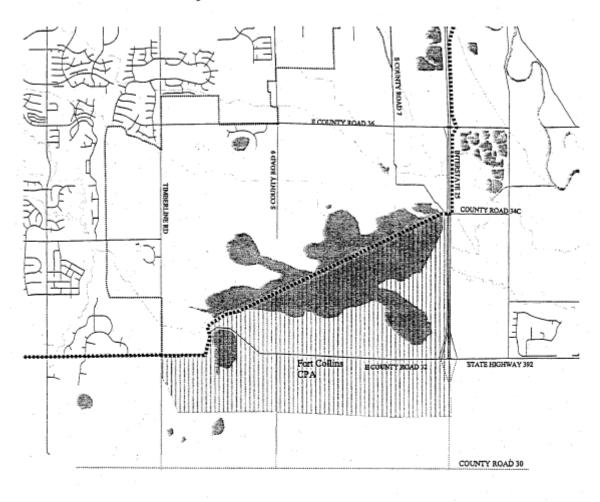
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Exhibit A

City of Fort Collins

Cooperative Planning Area

Adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir



Approximate Street Location

Streets

City Limits

Uga Boundary

Cooperative Planning Area

Water Features



INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

(Regarding Annexations in the Fort Collins Cooperative Planning Area Adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir)

THIS AGREEMENT, is executed this **28th day of June, 1999**, by and between LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO, a body politic organized under and existing by virtue of the laws of the State of Colorado, hereinafter referred to as the "County", THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO, a municipal corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Fort Collins", THE CITY OF LOVELAND, a municipal corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Loveland", and THE TOWN OF WINDSOR, a Colorado statutory town, hereinafter referred to as "Windsor".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, continued growth in the Fossil Creek Reservoir area suggests that increased coordination among the parties to this Agreement can result in better management and control of the development in this area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended, the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has found and declared that in order to provide for planned and orderly development within Colorado and a balancing of the basic human needs of a changing population with legitimate environmental concerns, the policy of the State of Colorado is to clarify and provide broad authority to local governments to plan for and regulate the use of land within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended, the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has designated certain powers to local governments, among them the power to regulate the location of activities and developments which may result in significant changes in population density, the power to provide for phased development of services and facilities, the power to regulate the use of land on the basis of the impact thereof on the community or surrounding areas, and the power to otherwise plan for and regulate the use of land so as to provide planned and orderly use of land and protection of the environment in a manner consistent with constitutional rights; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended, the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has authorized and encouraged local governments to cooperate or contract with other units of government for the purpose of planning and regulating the development of land, including but not limited to the joint exercise of planning, zoning, subdivision, building, and related regulations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to various statutes of the State of Colorado (including 31-23-255, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended), the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has enacted various supervisory tools in order that the State may better monitor the planning activities of units of local governments; and

WHEREAS, under the authority granted by said Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised Statutes, a number of meetings were held among Fort Collins, Loveland, Windsor, Timnath, and Larimer County with the intent of reaching agreement as to municipal annexations in the Fort Collins "Cooperative Planning Area" adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said meetings, the parties have agreed as provided hereafter.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and obligations herein expressed and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, it is agreed as follows:

- 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE FORT COLLINS COOPERATIVE PLANNING AREA ADJACENT TO FOSSIL CREEK RESERVOIR. The Fort Collins Cooperative Planning Area adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir is identified as shown on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 2. ANNEXATION IN THE FORT COLLINS COOPERATIVE PLANNING AREA. The parties agree that no annexations shall occur within the fort Collins Cooperative Planning Area described in Exhibit "A" except annexations to Fort Collins.
- 3. COUNTY SUPPORT. The County agrees to oppose, by such means as it deems appropriate, any annexation into any incorporated town or city except as is authorized in paragraph 2 above.
- 4. ENFORCEMENT/BINDING EFFECT. This Agreement shall be binding upon the parties and their representatives, successors and assigns, and may be specifically enforced in any court of competent jurisdiction.
- 5. TERM/TERMINATION. This Agreement shall remain in force and effect for a period of ten (10) years from the date of its execution. Thereafter, it shall be automatically renewed for successive five (5) year terms unless, at least six (6) months prior to its scheduled expiration, either party should notify the other party of its decision that the Agreement not be renewed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

	THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO A Municipal Corporation
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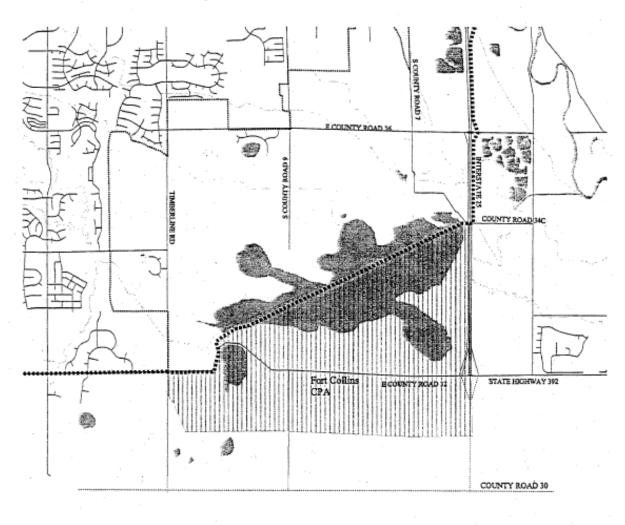
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Exhibit A

City of Fort Collins

Cooperative Planning Area

Adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir



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Approximate Street Location

Streets

City Limits

Uga Boundary

Cooperative Planning Area

Water Features



INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (Regarding Annexations East of Interstate Highway 25)

THIS AGREEMENT, is executed this **28th day of June, 1999**, by and between THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO, a municipal corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Fort Collins", and THE TOWN OF WINDSOR, a Colorado statutory town, hereinafter referred to as "Windsor".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, continued growth in the Interstate Highway 25 Corridor Area suggests that increased coordination between the Fort Collins and Windsor can result in better management and control of the development in this area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended, the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has found and declared that in order to provide for planned and orderly development within Colorado and a balancing of the basic human needs of a changing population with legitimate environmental concerns, the policy of the State of Colorado is to clarify and provide broad authority to local governments to plan for and regulate the use of land within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended, the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has designated certain powers to local governments, among them the power to regulate the location of activities and developments which may result in significant changes in population density, the power to provide for phased development of services and facilities, the power to regulate the use of land on the basis of the impact thereof on the community or surrounding areas, and the power to otherwise plan for and regulate the use of land so as to provide planned and orderly use of land and protection of the environment in a manner consistent with constitutional rights; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Title 29, Article 20, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended, the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has authorized and encouraged local governments to cooperate or contract with other units of government for the purpose of planning and regulating the development of land, including but not limited to the joint exercise of planning, zoning, subdivision, building, and related regulations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to various statutes of the State of Colorado (including 31-23-255, Colorado Revised Statutes, as amended), the General Assembly of the State of Colorado has enacted various supervisory tools in order that the State may better monitor the planning activities of units of local governments; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Intergovernmental Agreement between and among Windsor, Fort Collins, Loveland, and Larimer County, dated June 28, 1999, regarding annexations in the Fort Collins Cooperative Planning Area Adjacent to Fossil Creek Reservoir, Windsor agreed that no municipal annexations shall occur within the Fort Collins Cooperative Planning Area, except annexations to Fort Collins; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of Windsor's promise as contained in said Intergovernmental Agreement, the purpose of this Agreement is to provide a corresponding assurance that Fort Collins will not annex east of interstate Highway 25 between Larimer County Road 34C and Larimer County Road 30.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and obligations herein expressed and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, it is agreed as follows:

- 1. ANNEXATION EAST OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 25. Fort Collins agrees that it shall not annex any territory east of Interstate highway 25 if such territory lies between Larimer County 34C and Larimer County Road 30 unless such annexation is otherwise agreed to in writing by Windsor.
- 2. ENFORCEMENT/BINDING EFFECT. This Agreement shall be binding upon the parties and their representatives, successors and assigns, and may be specifically enforced in any court of competent jurisdiction.
- 3. TERM/TERMINATION. This Agreement shall remain in force and effect for a period of ten (10) years from the date of its execution. Thereafter, it shall be automatically renewed for successive five (5) year terms unless, at least six (6) months prior to its scheduled expiration, either party should notify the other party of its decision that the Agreement not be renewed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS, COLORADO

A Municipal Corporation

By: _____

ATTEST

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

THE TOWN OF WINDSOR, COLORADO A Municipal Corporation

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Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

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