RESOLUTION 2021-080

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR AS THE CITY’S REPRESENTATIVE TO A REGIONAL NONPROFIT CORPORATION ESTABLISHED TO STUDY AND PURSUE ADDITIONAL WATER SOURCES FOR WEST RIVER RESIDENTS

WHEREAS, western South Dakota, including Rapid City, has a future need for additional sources of quality domestic water; and

WHEREAS, a collaboration of governmental entities, including cities, rural water systems, water districts, and tribal governments, is in the process of forming a nonprofit corporation, which may be called the Western Dakota Regional Water System, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the regional nonprofit will study the feasibility of obtaining water from the Missouri River and other sources and will likely take future actions to pursue funding sources to provide additional water sources to the corporation’s members; and

WHEREAS, Rapid City staff have been involved with the formation of the regional nonprofit and supportive of the mission of studying and pursuing additional water sources to the area; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Rapid City is in support of the mission and efforts of the regional nonprofit being established for these purposes and the Common Council wishes for the City to become a member of the nonprofit corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Rapid City finds that it is in the best interests of the City to designate the Public Works Director to represent the City of Rapid City as part of the regional nonprofit (which may be called Western Dakota Regional Water System, Inc.) and to serve on the Board of Directors of the nonprofit corporation if elected by the membership.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Rapid City resolves to be a member of the regional nonprofit established for the purposes outlined in this resolution, unless and until the Council takes further action to terminate its membership or otherwise alter its involvement in the regional nonprofit.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Rapid City designates the Public Works Director to serve as its representative to the regional nonprofit and authorizes the Public Works Director to serve on the Board of Directors if elected and to take action to support and participate in the efforts of the corporation to study, fund, and construct additional water sources to the area, so long as the City remains a member of the nonprofit. The Public Works Director shall annually report to the Council regarding the activities of the nonprofit corporation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the Public Works Director position is open, then the Mayor may designate himself/herself as the City’s representative to the regional nonprofit or
may appoint another City representative to serve as representative until the Public Works Director position is filled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Common Council authorizes the Public Works Director to pay from his or her budget any fees or dues required by the City’s membership in the regional nonprofit.

Dated this ______ day of ____________________, 2021.

CITY OF RAPID CITY

By __________________________
Steve Allender, Mayor

ATTEST

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Pauline Sumption, Finance Director
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