



## PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEM

<b>DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING:</b> February 26, 2019
<b>SUBJECT:</b> Deed of Conservation Easement on the City of Westminster Egging Open Space Property
<b>FROM:</b> Byron Fanning, Parks and Open Space Director and Renee Petersen, and Shannon McDowell
<b>AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:</b> Parks & Open Space
<b>HEARD AT STUDY SESSION ON</b> N/A
<b>AUTHORIZATION TO MOVE FORWARD:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO N/A
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b> That the Board of County Commissioners Approves the deed of conservation easement. Fully executing the deed of conservation easement will ensure that the 3.57 acre Egging Open Space property will be preserved for its scenic, natural, open space and recreational benefits near 128 <sup>th</sup> Avenue and Pecos Street.

### **BACKGROUND:**

In August 2016, the City of Westminster submitted an application to the Open Space Sales Tax grant program requesting funding for acquisition of the Egging Open Space property, located near 128<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Pecos Street. The Egging Open Space property is approximately 3.57 acres in size. Acquisition of this property will allow the City of Westminster to expand the buffer along the Big Dry Creek corridor and to preserve habitat for wildlife.

On November 15, 2016, the City of Westminster received an Open Space Sales tax grant award for the acquisition of the Egging Open Space property. The City of Westminster was awarded 65% of the total project costs, not to exceed \$367,250 for the acquisition of this property. The City of Westminster acquired this property on February 13, 2017.

Pursuant to the Open Space Policies and Procedures, the City of Westminster is required to place a deed of conservation easement on the 3.57 acres acquired using open space sales tax grant funds to protect passive use of the property in perpetuity. The deed of conservation easement has been approved as to form by the County Attorney's Office and is now awaiting final signature by the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners to become fully executed.

**AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS OR OTHER OFFICES INVOLVED:**

City of Westminster

**ATTACHED DOCUMENTS:**

Deed of Conservation Easement  
Resolution

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Please check if there is no fiscal impact ☒. If there is fiscal impact, please fully complete the section below.

**Fund:****Cost Center:**

	Object Account	Subledger	Amount
Current Budgeted Revenue:			
Additional Revenue not included in Current Budget:			
<b>Total Revenues:</b>			

	Object Account	Subledger	Amount
Current Budgeted Operating Expenditure:			
Add'l Operating Expenditure not included in Current Budget:			
Current Budgeted Capital Expenditure:			
Add'l Capital Expenditure not included in Current Budget:			
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>			

New FTEs requested: ☐ YES ☒ NO

Future Amendment Needed: ☐ YES ☒ NO

**Additional Note:**