RESOLUTION APPROVING MODIFICATION AND NON-COMPLIANCE PENALTY FOR THE BENNETT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE ELEMENTARY PRE K TO 1 SCHOOL PLAYGROUND RENOVATION PROJECT OPEN SPACE SALES TAX GRANT

WHEREAS, Adams County voters approved an Open Space Sales Tax on November 2, 1999, to be used in accordance with Resolution 99-1; and,

WHEREAS, Bennett School District received an Open Space Sales Tax grant for the Bennett Elementary Pre K to 1 School Playground Renovation project on May 2, 2017, for a total of 60% of the total project costs, up to \$299,400; and,

WHEREAS, Bennett School District submitted a final project closeout and project modification request on September 19, 2018; and,

WHEREAS, Bennett School District would like to modify the project by removing the shade structure, site furnishings, landscaping, irrigation, lighting and security upgrades; and,

WHEREAS, Bennett School District is also asking to change material types on many of the amenities and add fencing to the project; and,

WHEREAS, the Open Space Advisory Board voted 4-1 in support of the modification on January 23, 2019; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed modification would reduce the project budget from \$499,000 to \$328,174.40, and reduce the grant award from \$299,400 to \$196,904.64; and,

WHEREAS, Bennett School District is non-compliant due to failure to adhere to the Open Space Sales Tax Policies and Procedures; and,

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2019, the Open Space Advisory Board voted unanimously to impose a two-year probationary period as a consequence of said non-compliance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners, County of Adams, State of Colorado, that the Open Space modification request and non-compliance penalty for the Bennett School District for the Elementary Pre K to 1 School Playground Renovation project Open Space Sales Tax Grant is hereby approved.