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Douglas County Board of Commissioners

100 Third Street

Castle Rock, CO 80104

Subject: American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) – Douglas County Funding Allocation

Dear Board of County Commissioners,

On behalf of the Stonegate Village Metropolitan District ("Stonegate"), we would like to express Stonegate's interest in Douglas County's ARPA Funds allocation. Stonegate not only provides recreational services to its rate payers but also, it provides water and wastewater services.

The funds that are made possible by ARPA provide a great opportunity to address a variety of critically important needs in our communities. Based on the ARPA guidelines, Stonegate has identified specific project needs that fit squarely within those guidelines and are precisely the type of investments that we would like to bring to your attention.

With this in mind, we would like to provide you with our thoughts on the water and wastewater needs in Stonegate and our plans for meeting those needs and their associated costs:

Project #1: SVMD – Water System Reliability

- ✓ **Project Location**: Please refer to Exhibit A.
- ✓ Project Description, need and benefits: Our system reliance and reliability assessment identified the need for several potable water inter-connections with our neighboring water providers. Such connections would allow Stonegate to improve its water supply reliability in the event that the potable water storage tank in charge to sustain the District's system needed to be isolated for structural issues or due to an emergency with its supplying infrastructure. The project will benefit approximately 15,000 customers in the District. To achieve this goal, the following sets of inter-connections need to be constructed:
 - i. Arapahoe County Water and Wastewater Authority and Stonegate,
 - ii. Cottonwood Water and Stonegate, and
 - iii. Parker Water and Stonegate.
- ✓ Estimated Project Costs: \$1.03 M
- ✓ Estimated Project Time Line, Phasing and Status: Estimated project design: 2022. Estimated construction: 2022 2023.

- ❖ Project #2: Development of Local Renewable Supplies
 - ✓ Project Location: Please refer to Exhibit B.
 - ✓ Project Description, need and benefits: Stonegate is currently working with another neighboring water provider, Cottonwood Water, to be able to get surface water treatment for its local renewable supplies in Cherry Creek. This partnership will allow the District to improve its renewable water supplies portfolio to about 55% of their total water needs to meet buildout demands. Stonegate is in need of an improvement to its existing water supply system to connect to the Cottonwood's water treatment plant. The project will benefit approximately 15,000 customers in the District.
 - ✓ Estimated Project Costs: \$0.5 M
 - ✓ Estimated Project Time Line, Phasing and Status: Estimated project design: 2022. Estimated construction: 2023.
- ❖ Project #3: Aquifer Storage and Recovery ("ASR") Program
 - ✓ Project Location: Please refer to Exhibit C.
 - ✓ Project Description, need and benefits: Stonegate, like other Douglas County water providers, recently began investing in its long term ASR program. This program will allow Stonegate to store its excess WISE water supplies during the winter months, with the intent to recover the stored water during the high demand season. The WISE supplies are most likely to be delivered to its members during the winter months and as such, our system demands might not be able to use such water hence the need for a safe storage of the WISE supply. The project will benefit approximately 15,000 customers in the District.
 - ✓ Estimated Project Costs: \$1.3 M
 - ✓ Estimated Project Time Line, Phasing and Status: Project is fully designed Estimated construction schedule: 2022 2024.

Once again, we would like to thank you for this opportunity. We recognize that you have important decisions to make to allocate your ARPA funds. In addition, we would like to emphasize that any ARPA financial help towards the projects mentioned above would be greatly appreciated and will have a tremendous positive impact on our community and the County as a whole.

Sincerely,

STONEGATE VILLAGE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

Luis Tovar – District Representative Cc: Stonegate Board of Directors

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