

SOUTHEAST METRO STORMWATER AUTHORITY
acting by and through
SEMSWA WATER ACTIVITY ENTERPRISE

RESOLUTION 11-43

Authorization to Sign a *Statement of Purpose* regarding the Cherry Creek Watershed

WHEREAS, the Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners (Partners) were formed in 1999 to provide a forum for promoting stewardship of the Cherry Creek Watershed; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, jurisdictions in the Cherry Creek Basin signed the Partners' Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that promoted a regional approach to water quality in response to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Smart Growth for Clean Water initiative; and

WHEREAS, the Cherry Creek Basin Working Group (CCBWG) was formed in 2009 to identify opportunities for investment in the quality of life people experience in the basin through recreation, preservation and trail connections; and

WHEREAS, the Partners active participation with the CCBWG identified regional cooperation and public education on topics relating to water quality and water resources, as a common goal in order to optimize public involvement in basin recreation opportunities; and

WHEREAS, in support of the Partners and CCBWG watershed efforts, the MOU has been revised as the *Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners Statement of Purpose* (copy attached) to recognize the value of continued cooperation and consensus for the overall benefit of the Cherry Creek watershed and the necessary inclusion of additional stakeholders identified subsequent to the 2003 MOU that are instrumental in the enhancement of water quality and the management of recreational resources; and

WHEREAS, the Partners *Statement of Purpose* contains a signature page of regional partners, of which the Southeast Metro Stormwater Authority is identified as one of the regional partners.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. One of the purposes of the *Statement of Purpose* is to promote the enhancement of water quality throughout the Cherry Creek Basin.
2. Since one of SEMSWA's primary missions is to enhance water quality within its boundaries, it would be appropriate to sign the *Statement of Purpose*.
3. The *Statement of Purpose* does not require the expenditure of any funds by SEMSWA nor impose any legal requirements on SEMSWA.

4. It is appropriate for SEMSWA to lend its support to the Partners by signing the *Statement of Purpose*.
5. The Board authorizes the Executive Director to sign the Partners *Statement of Purpose*.

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Date: _____

ATTEST:

Secretary

Chairperson

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Attorney for
Southeast Metro Stormwater
Authority

By: _____
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