

Town of Empire

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Robyn DiFalco, LPC Grant Program Manager c/o Colorado Department of Local Affairs Division of Local Government 1313 Sherman Street, Suite 521 Denver, CO 80203

Re: Letter of Support for Clear Creek Regional Housing Authority Local Planning Capacity Grant Application

Dear Ms. DiFalco,

On behalf of the Town of Empire, we submit this letter of support as our intent to be a coapplicant with the other jurisdictions in Clear Creek County for the Local Planning Capacity Grant with Clear Creek County acting on behalf of the Clear Creek Regional Housing Authority (CCRHA) as the lead fiscal agent.

The Town of Empire joined the other municipalities in signing an Intergovernmental Agreement to establish the CCRHA, committed yearly funding, and has appointed a Representative and an Alternate to the Boad. We believe the CCRHA is the most effective way for Empire to achieve the Proposition 123 requirements, including our commitment to increase affordable housing and to implement fast-track approval for projects providing affordable housing. We believe this grant will be instrumental in our ability to begin operations, and the CCRHA has our full support to use our funding contribution as matching funds for this grant.

Thank you for your consideration of the Clear Creek Regional Housing Authority Local Planning Capacity Grant application.

Sincerely,

Wendy Koch Empire Mayor