

Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #18-217**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING METROPOLITAN COUNCIL STUDY FOR NORTHWEST METROPOLITAN AREA REGIONAL SURFACE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ramsey owns and maintains a municipal water supply system which is essential to the quality of life, health and welfare of City residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ramsey currently relies on groundwater as the sole source of its municipal water supply system; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ramsey plans to construct two new municipal water supply system groundwater wells to accommodate planned growth in the years 2023 and 2028; and

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statutes 473.1565 directs the Metropolitan Council to undertake planning activities that emphasize conservation, interjurisdictional cooperation, and long-term sustainability; and

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Council has received an allocation of the Clean Water Funds to provide assistance to local units of government who are undertaking water supply planning activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the cities of Corcoran, Dayton, Ramsey and Rogers (hereinafter “Cities”) are participants in the Northwest Metro Water Supply Study Area, and

**WHEREAS**, the Cities have expressed an interest in working with the Metropolitan Council to study alternatives and relative costs associated with the use of surface water as a potential source of water for their municipal water supply systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the primary objective of the Cities led study is to understand the relative costs and implementation considerations of different surface water use approaches to long-term water sustainability within the study area; and

**WHEREAS**, the approaches evaluated in the study are not intended to prescribe specific solutions for implementation, but will rather serve as examples to stimulate future planning that could involve a hybrid of alternatives identified in the study, or in combination with water conservation measures and other sustainability approaches.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, as follows:**

- 1) That, the City of Ramsey hereby supports a collaborative and cooperative effort to study a regional surface water supply system in the Northwest Metropolitan area.

- 2) That, the City of Ramsey will continue to work collaboratively and cooperatively with the partnering Cities to supply water to the public in an environmentally sound, cost-effective, and sustainable manner.
- 3) That, the City of Ramsey requests that the Metropolitan Council develop a scope of work for a Cities led water supply planning effort that will be funded in full by Clean Water Legacy Funds available through the Metropolitan Council.
- 4) That, the City of Ramsey hereby appoints Bruce Westby, City Engineer, to represent the City of Ramsey on the technical team managing the study.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 23rd day of October 2018.

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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk