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Council Action and Executive Summary

Item # 2 Ordinance/Resolution# 10-123 Council District:

For Meeting of: October 26, 2009
 (Adoption Date)

TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR A GRANT OFFERED BY THE NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND THE NEW MEXICO WATER BOARD IN AN AMOUNT OF \$250,000.

PURPOSE(S) OF ACTION: Funds are being requested to complete the Burn Lake Water 2025 Project.

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Legal		(575) 541-2128	City Manager		(575) 541-2076

BACKGROUND / KEY ISSUES / CONTRIBUTING FACTORS: Funding for the project was originally provided by the US Bureau of Reclamation in the amount of \$86,000. The project was undertaken as a joint project between the City of Las Cruces and the Elephant Butte Irrigation District and the El Paso Water Utilities Board. Purpose is to make Burn Lake a regulating reservoir and can store irrigation water over the course of a week and have the ability to pump specified amounts of water out to other downstream users, replacing water to the Mesilla lateral. This will also allow the City to collect storm water runoff and pump it out at a later date.

SUPPORT INFORMATION:

Fund Name / Account Number	Amount of Expenditure	Budget Amount
TBD if awarded	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00

1. Resolution
2. Exhibit "A" Copy of proposal from the NM Water Table Board

(Continue on additional sheets as required)

OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve resolution to allow application to go forward.
2. Disapprove resolution and application will not be submitted

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RESOLUTION NO. 10-123

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The City Council is informed that:

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Department of Environment and the New Mexico Water Board are providing an opportunity for project funding; and

WHEREAS, the City of Las Cruces has already obtained a grant from the US Bureau of Reclamation in the amount of \$86,000 for the Burn Lake Water 2025 project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Las Cruces needs \$250,000 to complete the Burn Lake project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Las Cruces has partnered with the Elephant Butte Irrigation District and the El Paso Water Utilities Board to make Burn Lake a regulating reservoir; and

WHEREAS, there is no match requirement for the City to be awarded the grant funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the governing body of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico:

(I)

THAT, the City of Las Cruces is authorized to submit to the New Mexico Department of the Environment and the New Mexico Water Table Board an application; and

(II)

THAT, City staff and officials are authorized to do all deeds necessary in the accomplishment of the herein above.

DONE AND APPROVED this 26th day of October, 2009

Mayor

ATTEST:

VOTE:

City Clerk

Mayor Miyagishima: _____
Councillor Silva: _____
Councillor Connor: _____
Councillor Archuleta: _____
Councillor Small: _____
Councillor Jones: _____
Councillor Thomas: _____

(SEAL)

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Approved as to Form:

Francisco Cruz

ASS'T City Attorney

The New Mexico Water Trust Board is now soliciting applications for financial assistance for water projects seeking funding from the 2010 Water Project Fund funding cycle. Qualified entities seeking funding for water projects from the Water Trust Board must submit an application each year even if the project has previously received legislative authorization.

The projects to be considered by the WTB are as follows:

1. Storage, Conveyance and Delivery of Water; 2. Implementation of the Endangered Species Act; 3. Restoration and Management of Watersheds; 4. Flood Prevention Projects; and 5. Conservation, Recycling, Treatment or Reuse of water.

The 2010 funding cycle will utilize an electronic application and the process for applying follows:

1. Go to the UFA Website <https://eidea.nmenv.state.nm.us/sep/login-form> to complete the UFA Application; and
2. Go to the Water Trust Board link <https://my.nmfa.net/wtb> and complete the WTB application.

Applications must be submitted by 5 pm Mountain Standard Time on Monday November 2, 2009. Applicants are encouraged to begin the application process well in advance of the deadline. If you encounter any difficulty with the application process, please contact us promptly and preferably no later than 12 noon on the due date, so that staff can provide any technical assistance that may be needed.

Funding from the Water Trust Board will be considered pursuant to comprehensive Project Management Policies adopted by the Water Trust Board in November 2007 as well as the Water Trust Board Rules and Regulations, both of which can be accessed at www.nmfa.net<<http://www.nmfa.net/>>

Please submit all letters of interest and/or questions to:

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New Mexico Water Trust Board 2010 Water Project Fund

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