

**RESOLUTION NO. 9
SERIES 2008**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOARD OF THE GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO TRUST FUND.

WHEREAS, the City of Gunnison supports the VanTuyl Ranch Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, City of Gunnison *Parks, Recreation, Trails and Open Space Master Plan* indentified the VanTuyl property as a priority for a regional park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gunnison purchased the property to protect the City's aquifer and wellheads; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gunnison wishes to allow appropriate uses of the property that are not conflicting and that are conducted in such a way as to protect wildlife and wetlands; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gunnison wishes to take steps to ensure the proper maintenance of the VanTuyl Ranch and the preservation of the vegetation, wildlife and natural beauty of the environment, and that the accessibility of the open space remains accessible for all users; and

WHEREAS, access to the river, trails along the river and usage of the river, construction of flood control measures and other land uses should be carefully planned in order to maintain and enhance the value of this resource for recreation; and

WHEREAS, planned uses for this property include trails, a series of controlled wetlands for active and passive water recreation opportunities, playing fields, environmental education opportunities for the school district and Western State College, agricultural educational opportunities for the 4H and FFA, and historical agricultural operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Gunnison hereby authorizes the Mayor of the City of Gunnison to sign the grant agreement with Great Outdoors Colorado, if awarded.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Gunnison hereby authorizes the expenditure of funds as necessary to meet the terms and obligations of the grant, if awarded.

Section 3. This resolution to be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED AND ADOPTED at a Regular Session meeting of the City Council of the City of Gunnison, Colorado, held this 12th day of August, 2008.

Mayor

(SEAL)

City Clerk