PREPARED BY: Asheville City Attorney's Office

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

## WATERLINE EASEMENT

THIS WATERLINE EASEMENT, made and entered into this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_, by and between <u>The County of Buncombe, a body corporate</u> <u>and politic</u>, herein "Grantor," and the City of Asheville, a North Carolina Municipal Corporation, herein "Grantee." (The designations Grantor and Grantee as used herein shall include said parties, their heirs, successors and assigns and shall include singular, plural, masculine, feminine and neuter as required by context).

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Grantor has constructed a \_\_\_\_\_ waterline, crossing the lands of Grantor as described in Deed Book \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_ of the Buncombe County Registry, and now wishes to convey said waterline to the Grantee; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of acceptance, Grantee desires a perpetual right of way for ingress, egress, and regress to said waterline for the purpose of constructing, laying, replacing, enlarging and continuing general maintenance of said waterline; and

WHEREAS, the Grantor shall have the continuing right to cultivate and use the property subject to the waterline easement, provided that said use in no way interferes with the ability of said waterline to conduct water nor with the right of the Grantee, its successors and assigns to construct and maintain said waterline as set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the adequacy and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Grantor hereby grants, dedicates and conveys unto the Grantee, its successors and assigns, a Waterline and Easement located as set forth below, said waterline easement being more particularly described as follows:

Being all of the Waterline and Easement Area as set forth in Plat Book\_\_\_\_\_, at Page\_\_\_\_\_, recorded in the Buncombe County Register of Deeds Office.

Further, Grantor hereby agrees and accepts all of the conditions required by Grantee as part of this acceptance as shown on said plat, and as set forth below:

## CONDITIONS:

A. The Grantee shall have the right to construct, operate, maintain, repair, enlarge, inspect and reconstruct within the permanent easement described above, waterlines for the transmission of water for public use, together with the right to do all things necessary or convenient thereto.

- B. The Grantee, its officers, agents and employees shall have the right to go to and from the permanent easement at all times across the Real Property by such route or routes as shall cause Grantor the least practicable inconvenience, as determined in Grantee's sole discretion, including the use of private roads and ways then existing thereon, on foot or by conveyance, with materials, machinery, supplies, and equipment as may be desirable to Grantee; provided such right of ingress, egress, and regress shall not extend to any portions of the Real Property which are separated from the permanent easement by any public road now or hereafter crossing the Real Property. Provided further, that except in emergencies, existing roads and ways thereon shall be used to the extent that they afford ingress, egress and regress to and from said permanent easement.
- C. The Grantee shall have the right to clear the permanent easement and keep the same cleared at all times, and to remove therefrom all buildings, structures, improvements, fixtures, brush, trees and other obstructions.
- D. The Grantee shall have the right to erect and maintain structures for access to the waterline and for controlling water flowing through said waterline and the right to install, operate and maintain other equipment necessary for transmitting water.
- E. The Grantor shall at all times, have the right to use said permanent easement for all purposes not inconsistent with the rights acquired hereto and use thereof by Grantee. Provided however, the Grantor shall not: (1) cause the waterline to be undermined in any way; (2) cause electric, telephone or television cable lines to be constructed within the permanent easement; (3) cause any buildings, wells, septic tanks, absorption pits, underground or overhead storage tanks or burial ground to be placed on or within the permanent easement; or (4) cause Grantee's facilities or use of said permanent easement to be interfered with or endangered by Grantor, its heirs, successors and assigns.
- F. The Grantor hereby releases and forever discharges, the Grantee, its successors and assigns, from any and all claims for property damages associated with the permanent easement crossing the Real Property and for present and future uses thereof by Grantee, its successors and assigns, for all purposes for which the Grantee is authorized to maintain and repair the waterline contained therein.
- G. The easement, covenants, terms and conditions contained herein are intended to and shall run with the Real Property and shall be binding on Grantee and Grantor and their respective successors, heirs and assigns. Grantor warrants that Grantor has good title to the Real Property and warrants Grantee's quiet enjoyment of the easement.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said permanent easement unto said Grantee, its successors and assigns, upon the terms and for the time periods set forth above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has hereunto caused this waterline easement to be duly executed by its authorized officials on the day and year set forth below:

DEVELOPER:

ATTEST:

BUNCOMBE COUNTY:

(Grantor)

Kathy Hughes, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

David Gantt, Chairman Board of County Commissioners