

ORDINANCE NO. 136, 2026
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ANNEXATION
AGREEMENT REGARDING THE STRAUSS LAKES
ANNEXATION

A. Cottonwood Land and Farms, LLC, (“Cottonwood”) has submitted a petition to Council for the Strauss Lakes Annexation requesting that Council annex their approximately 147.499 acre property and zone it as both Medium Density Mixed-Use Neighborhood and Low Density Mixed-Use Neighborhood zone districts.

B. Cottonwood is requesting that Council enter into an annexation agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A (the “Agreement”) to allow disconnection of the Strauss Lakes Annexation if certain events occur regarding the intended development of the property and establishment of a metropolitan special district.

C. Council is concurrently reviewing the Strauss Lakes Annexation petition and zoning with this request for the Agreement.

D. The City is authorized pursuant to Colorado statute, Colorado Revised Statutes Section 31-12-101, et seq., and Colorado case law to enter into annexation agreements addressing various issues including the conditions under which disconnection of annexed property may occur.

E. The City has reviewed the Agreement and finds that entering into the Agreement is in the best interests of the residents of Fort Collins.

In light of the foregoing recitals, which the Council hereby makes and adopts as determinations and findings, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS that the Mayor is authorized to execute the Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A, together with such modifications, deletions and additions as the City Manager, in consultation with the City Attorney, determines are necessary or appropriate to protect the interests of the City or further the purposes of this Ordinance.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading on October 6, 2026, and approved on second reading for final passage on October 20, 2026.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Effective Date: October 30, 2026

Approving Attorney: Brad Yatabe

Exhibit: Exhibit A – Annexation Agreement Between the City of Fort Collins and
Cottonwood Land and Farms, LLC, Regarding the Strauss Lakes
Annexation