MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

DATE: January 27, 2009

TO: Eddie Canon, Director
Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department

FROM: Stephen D. McCullers, P.E.
Director

SUBJECT: Effluent Reuse for Irrigation of Cobblestone Golf Course at Lake Acworth

This is to confirm the commitments of the Water System and the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department regarding the reuse of effluent from the Northwest Cobb Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) for irrigation of the Cobblestone Golf Course at Lake Acworth.

1. The Water System will provide effluent from the Northwest Cobb WRF for as long as the golf course is operated by or on behalf of Cobb County.

2. For a five year term effective January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2013, a flat monthly fee of $750.00 will be charged for providing effluent to the golf course pond; bills will be issued on a monthly basis.

3. During this term, all expenses for operation and maintenance of the irrigation system will be the responsibility of the golf course.

4. The terms of this agreement will be renegotiated prior to December 31, 2013.

5. It is understood that the Water System and the Cobblestone Golf Course at Lake Acworth both operate as enterprise funds and must generate sufficient revenues to recover the cost of their respective capital improvements, operating and maintenance expenses. The Water System agrees not to interrupt service if payments are not met due to insufficient revenues from the golf course operation. Payment of irrigation water fees and cost recovery shall be given priority over expansion of golf course facilities or programs beyond those in existence as of the agreement.

6. All parties are responsible for minimizing the overall operating and maintenance costs associated with the reuse irrigation system and documenting said costs. Cost data will be reviewed annually with the goal of minimizing overall operating and maintenance costs.
7. The amount of irrigation water applied to the golf course and the timing of irrigation will be determined by the course superintendent. There is no minimum use requirement. The quantity of effluent used on the course shall not exceed 5.7 million gallons per week, in accordance with the Northwest Cobb WRF’s operating permit issued by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division.

8. The Northwest Cobb WRF superintendent will control the delivery of effluent to the golf course pond to maintain the pond level between 4.5 and 6.5 feet. He will also coordinate all monitoring and reporting required under the operating permit. Additional tests may be conducted upon the course superintendent’s request if the Water System analytical laboratory has sufficient resources. Results of all the tests will be provided quarterly to the golf course superintendent.

9. The course superintendent and the Northwest Cobb WRF superintendent will coordinate their respective activities to ensure smooth, cost effective operation.

10. The course superintendent will maintain records of herbicide use around the reuse pond.

Any changes or additions to these items or agreement must be mutually agreed upon in writing by authorized representatives of Cobb County Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department; Cobb County Water System; and, the County Manager.

This agreement is mutually accepted on 01/28/09, 2009.