

September 13, 2023

Edw. C. Levy Co. c/o Gary Barber, Project Manager, Southern Colorado Rail Park P.O. Box 1976 Colorado Springs, CO 80904

Re: Letter of Support for the El Paso County Sketch Plan

Mr. Barber,

As you are aware, the City of Fountain is a partner in the community initiative to bring a second rail connection to Fort Carson and has been engaged in this effort for over a decade. To that end, the City of Fountain supports the submission of an El Paso County Sketch Plan by Edw. C. Levy Company as an important element in the rail project's success. We understand that submission and approval of the sketch plan is a step in the implementation of our community strategy to create jobs in Southern El Paso County.

Our dialogue in furtherance of the rail initiative includes the potential annexation of the rail project property into the City of Fountain. We anticipate a continuation of that dialogue as the plan is processed for approval by El Paso County.

Sincerely,

Sharon Shompson

Mayor Sharon Thompson