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Mr. Brian Kelley  
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Dear Mr. Kelley:

On behalf of the Housing & Building Association of Colorado Springs (HBA), I would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to review and discuss the proposed drainage basin fee increase. We appreciate the staff's willingness to discuss the concerns raised by our members and readiness to research additional sources of data which provided a better assessment of the actual construction cost increases for 2015 and 2016.

The HBA supports moving forward with the recommended increase of 3.5% over the 2016 drainage, bridge and detention pond facility fees. In the future, we respectfully suggest that more time is spent gathering data on other constructed-in-place items as well as cost comparisons from several other developers. This would help provide the sufficient data needed to calculate an accurate and applicable drainage basin fee each year.

We look forward to continuing a collaborative partnership with the City of Colorado Springs. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions about our organization's support.

Respectfully,

Kevin Walker, Schooler & Associates  
2017 HBA Public Policy Council Chair

