TOWN OF MORRISON, COLORADO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ORDINANCE NO. 492

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING GAS AND ELECTRIC
FRANCHISE WITH PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO BY
EXTENDING ITS EXPIRATION DATE TO AND INCLUDING JUNE 30,
2020

WHEREAS, the Town of Morrison is a Colorado home rule municipality operating under
a Charter approved by the electorate pursuant to Article XX of the Colorado Constitution and
governed by its elected Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has authority pursuant to the Home Rule Charter to
enter into, amend and extend franchises for public utilities by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, in the exercise of this authority, the Board has previously granted a franchise
to Public Service Company of Colorado for the provision of gas and electric utility service to the
Town and its residents; and

WHEREAS, said franchise agreement is currently set to expire on May 31, 2020 as a result
of a prior extension pursuant to Ordinance No. 489; and

WHEREAS, the parties are and have been engaged in good faith negotiations concerning
the renewal of and/or adoption of a new franchise, and these negotiations are on-going; and

WHEREAS, the outbreak in Colorado of the SARS-CoV-2, aka COVID-19, pandemic has
created substantial interruptions and delays in both governmental and private functions, resulting
in the need for additional time to conclude negotiations on this franchise renewal; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that extending the current franchise to and including June 30,
2020 will serve the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of
Morrison, Colorado, that:

SECTION 1. The franchise agreement with Public Service Company of Colorado,
adopted by Ordinance No. 253, is hereby extended to and including June 30, 2020.

SECTION 2. Severability. If any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase
of this ordinance, or the standards adopted herein is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any
reason, such decision will not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of
this ordinance. The Board of Trustees hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance
and each part hereof irrespective of the fact that any one part or parts be declared unconstitutional
or invalid.
SECTION 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after final adoption and publication as provided by Section 3.14 of the Home Rule Charter.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of May 2020, by a vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

TOWN OF MORRISON:

Sean K. Forey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lyndsey Paavilainen, Town Clerk

Posted pursuant to Charter 3.14 on May 14, 2020
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