



**Resolution Opposing
5-Year Moratorium on Hydraulic Fracturing
Fort Collins Ballot Issue 2A**

Whereas, mineral rights owners have long-established property rights that cannot be unilaterally suspended by local government or the public, and

Whereas, suspending those property rights with a five-year moratorium is excessive, and

Whereas, the Fort Collins Public Health, Safety and Wellness Act is being done under the pretense that more research and study is needed in the name of public safety, and

Whereas, the ballot language included in the Fort Collins Public Health, Safety and Wellness Act does not require any such research and or study, and

Whereas, the City will be faced with litigation regarding this matter should a moratorium be passed, and

Whereas, we believe a five-year moratorium will ultimately be found to be illegal and a costly misstep,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Fort Collins Area Chamber of Commerce encourages the business community and others to embrace private property rights and the avoidance of costly litigation and to vote against the ballot measure called the Fort Collins Public Health, Safety and Wellness Act which would impose a five year moratorium on hydraulic fracturing and the storage of its waste products in Fort Collins.

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