

**Fifth Anniversary of the Colorado Springs Civic Engagement  
Program  
October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019**

- WHEREAS,** the goal of the Civic Engagement Program is to give citizens the opportunity to educate themselves on the structure and policy issues of the City; and
- WHEREAS,** Eric Phillips, on his own initiative and volunteerism, started this program five years ago to help the City Council add more diverse viewpoints and perspectives onto its Advisory Boards, Commissions and Committees; and
- WHEREAS,** Eric Phillips is a pillar of the Colorado Springs community serving as a conduit between citizen engagement and local government; and
- WHEREAS,** The Civic Engagement Program elevates all Boards and Commissions, highlighting opportunities for citizens to serve their community in an impactful manner through Boards and Commissions, which in turn guide the decision making process of the City Council, the legislative body of Colorado Springs ; and
- WHEREAS,** The City Council of Colorado Springs is indebted to the work of the Civic Engagement Program, with its continued emphasis on diverse community engagement, education and volunteerism; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Richard Skorman, President of the Colorado Springs City Council, on behalf of all Council Members, do hereby formally thank Eric Phillips and the work of the Civic Engagement Program for their continued dedication, delivering an essential program to the City of Colorado Springs

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have here unto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Colorado Springs to be affixed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2019.

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Richard Skorman, President  
Colorado Springs City Council