



## Legislation Text

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A resolution adopting and approving the Intergovernmental Agreement concerning the Pikes Peak Community College Public Safety Training Facility

**Presenter:**

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**Summary:**

The City, through the Colorado Springs Police Department (CSPD), and the Pikes Peak Community College (PPCC) desire to implement an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA), with a 30 year initial term with two potential 20 year extensions, to govern CSPD's use of the PPCC's public safety training facility (Facility) for state mandated firearm trainings on the Facility weapon ranges. In addition, the IGA contemplates CSPD providing funding in conjunction with funding provided by PPCC to expand and improve the Facility to allow improved weapon range facilities and a classroom area that will enhance CSPD's ability to conduct firearm training as well as potentially other types of law enforcement training.

**Background:**

The Colorado Springs Police Department and Pikes Peak Community College have had a long-standing partnership at the PPCC Centennial Campus firearms range dating back to the mid-1990s. This partnership also included the El Paso County Sheriff's Office. Since that partnership between the three entities dissolved in 2018, CSPD has been seeking to secure a viable and permanent alternative training site for firearms training and certification for its police officers. Beginning in 2020, CSPD and PPCC have been engaged in numerous conversations about CSPD officers returning to the Centennial Campus firearms range, and both believe that once again combining resources would make sense and would allow both parties to access to state-of-the-art firearms range facility. Improving the existing firearms training facility at PPCC is a top CSPD priority. CSPD is in the position to make financial contributions towards the necessary improvements. PPCC and CSPD anticipate this to be a long-term firearms training facility arrangement lasting 30 years or more.

CSPD values the partnership with PPCC and feels that both parties will greatly benefit from future cooperation and collaboration on the firearms range. CSPD is sure that in cooperation with PPCC the parties will make the improved firearms range facility an asset for the Pike's Peak area state law enforcement agencies.

**Previous Council Action:**

This IGA will replace an IGA that was terminated in 2018 between the City, El Paso County and PPCC.

**Financial Implications:**

CSPD will use existing funding to complete the range upgrades. Primarily, \$3,000,000 in proceeds from the Series 2019 Certificates of Participation will be used. Additional expenses will be paid for with existing Public Safety Sales Tax and General Fund funding.

**City Council Appointed Board/Commission/Committee Recommendation:**

The Public Safety Sales Tax Oversight Committee is aware of and supports the use of Public Safety Sales Tax funding for this project.

**Stakeholder Process:**

N/A

**Alternatives:**

N/A

**Proposed Motion:**

Approve the Council Resolution to authorize the City to enter into the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City and PPCC concerning use of the PPCC public safety training facility by the Colorado Springs Police Department.

A Resolution of the City Council of Colorado Springs approving the Intergovernmental Agreement concerning the Pikes Peak Community College Public Safety Training Facility