City of Colorado Springs



Legislation Text

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A resolution approving a nomination process and governance policy for the Local Crime Prevention Planning Team in accordance with Colorado House Bill 17-1326

Presenter:

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Summary:

House Bill 17-1326, also known as the Colorado Crime Prevention Initiative, was passed with bipartisan support and signed by the Governor at the end of the 2017 Colorado Legislative Session. The bill created reforms in parole laws that will result in savings to the state Department of Corrections budget. Those savings, a total of \$4 million each year, will be dedicated to small business lending and a crime prevention grant program in two communities - North Aurora and Southeast Colorado Springs. Resources directed to Southeast Colorado Springs will include \$500,000 in small business lending and \$1.3 million in grants, as well as technical support from an external evaluator for funded organizations. The Denver Foundation was selected as the community foundation that would steward the process and administer grant funds for both communities.

The legislation requires the creation of a local planning team in each community, which is empowered to determine the specific crime prevention priorities in their respective communities.

Previous Council Action:

N/A

Background:

As the community foundation selected by the State of Colorado Department of Local Affairs to manage and distribute grant funding allocated through House Bill 17-1326, The Denver Foundation respectfully requests City Council approval of this nominations process to form the local planning team for Southeast Colorado Springs.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications to the City of Colorado Springs.

Board/Commission Recommendation: N/A

Stakeholder Process:

N/A

Alternatives:

City Council could decline to approve the resolution, in which case the Denver Foundation may revise it or defer the process of awarding grants within Southeast Colorado Springs.

Proposed Motion:

Approve the resolution as presented.

N/A