



## Legislation Text

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**Ordinance No. 15-17 amending Section 203 (Duties) and Section 204 (Emergency Operations Plan) of Part 2 (Office of Emergency Management) of Article 7 (Emergency Management) of Chapter 8 (Public Safety) of the Code of the City of Colorado Springs 2001, as amended pertaining to approval of the City's Emergency Operations Plan**

**From:**

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**Summary:**

A new ordinance is necessary to amend City Code § 8.7.204 to codify that the approval of the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) will be the responsibility of the Mayor as an executive function.

**Previous Council Action:**

N/A

**Background:**

The Colorado Springs City Charter states that the municipal government is a Council-Mayor Government, where all executive and administrative duties and powers are vested in the Mayor, and the legislative powers are held by the City Council. Currently the Colorado Springs City Code requires the City Council to approve the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) which is developed by the Office of Emergency Management (OEM). Upon legal review it was determined that approval of the EOP would qualify as an executive or administrative function, rather than a legislative function and therefore it is recommended that a new ordinance be adopted designating that the Mayor approves the EOP.

**Financial Implications:**

N/A

**Board/Commission Recommendation:**

N/A

**Stakeholder Process:**

Emergency Management Staff coordinated with Councilmembers Knight, Pico, and Miller along with representatives from the City Attorney's Office, on this proposed ordinance.

**Alternatives:**

N/A

**Proposed Motion:**

Move approval of the ordinance as presented.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 203 (DUTIES) AND 204 (EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN) OF PART 2 (OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT) OF ARTICLE 7 (EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT) OF CHAPTER 8 (PUBLIC SAFETY) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS 2001, AS AMENDED PERTAINING TO APPROVAL OF THE CITY'S EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN