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A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR GENERATION WILD NORTHEAST METRO COALITION

Summary and Background Information:

The City of Commerce City, Parks Recreation and Golf, since 2015, has partnered with multiple entities (Friends of the Front Range Wildlife Refuges, City of Aurora, Sand Creek Regional Greenway Partnership, United States Fish and Wildlife Service-Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge, State of Colorado-Department of Natural Resources, Bluff Lake Nature Center, Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Denver, Environmental Learning for Kids, Groundwork Denver, Mile High Youth Corps, and The Urban Farm) to provide opportunities to area youth to connect and engage with the outdoors.

The Generation Wild Northeast Metro Coalition ("Coalition") has received multiple grants through Great Outdoors Colorado ("GOCO") for implementation to improve youth and family connections with the outdoors in under-served communities.

2016 \$100,000 2017-2019 \$1,845,918 2021-2025 \$1,991,889 2024-2025 \$371,000

The Cooperative Agreement acknowledges the coalition partnership, co-sponsorship of the GOCO grant for 2024-2025, and the award of \$371,000.

Previously, the City was the grantee of the GOCO grant. We are now recognizing the City as the sponsoring grantee and the Friends of the Front Range Wildlife Refuges as the managing sponsor.

We recommend City Council approve the resolution authorizing the Cooperative Agreement for Generation Wild NEMC.

Staff Responsible (Department Head): Chad Redin, Director, Parks, Recreation and Golf

Staff Member Presenting: Lisa Nordholt, Strategic Initiatives Supervisor, Parks, Recreation and Golf

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Financial Impact: Funding Source:

Staff Recommendation: Approval of Resolution