



# Commerce City

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## Council Communication

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FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE ADAMS COUNTY OPEN SPACE GRANT FOR PARK RANGER E-BIKES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,275 AND THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXPENDITURE THEREOF.

### Summary & Background

As stewards of our public spaces, the PRG Division is focused on promoting resident health, safety and education through a variety of relevant programs and services for the community. One of our goals is to continue to activate the core city with more amenities designed to promote fitness and wellness. Adams County agrees to disburse grant funds to Applicant to provide reimbursement for the payment of project costs upon successful completion of the Project, or on a quarterly basis. Itemized Reimbursement Requests, as set forth below, are required for reimbursements. Should the Project take two full years to complete, the Reimbursement Request for the final period of the project must be received by August 9, 2024 to remain compliant with the Project Completion Date, as set forth above. Reimbursements disbursed from Adams County shall not exceed 70% of project costs incurred during the previous period with cumulative reimbursements totaling no more than \$9,275. With a total project cost of \$13,250.

Commerce City is requesting funds to purchase electronic bikes, along with a bike racks to transport e-bikes, for our new Park Ranger Program. E-bikes will assist the park rangers in ensuring a safe experience for parks, trails and open space users. Electronic bikes allow for faster response times, reduced fatigue for the rangers, and an expanded patrol range. Currently the new Park Ranger Program has a mid-size truck available for patrol. Outside of the truck, rangers have only the option to walk trails for patrol. When on trails such as the Sand creek Regional Greenway, the truck blocks the majority of the trail and our trail users must get off to the side of the trail for the truck to pass. In addition, there are blind spots along trails and trucks tend to startle trail users. E-bikes are also beneficial in some of our larger parks, allowing for rangers to respond to concerns and medical needs quicker.

On March 31, 2022 Commerce City submitted a grant application in the amount of \$9,275 for Park Ranger e-Bikes. These e-Bikes will be used by park rangers as they patrol the city's trails.

On August 9, 2022 Commerce City was awarded \$9,275 in Adams County Open Space

grant funds for the Park Ranger e-bikes.

Acting City Manager Rogers will sign the Adams County grant agreement. This ordinance accepts the Adams County Open Space Grant funds awarded for this project.

**Staff Responsible (Department Head):** Carolyn Keith, Director of Parks, Recreation, & Golf

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**Financial Impact:** \$9,275

**Funding Source:** Adams County Open Space Grant

**Staff Recommendation:** Approval of Ordinance

**Suggested Motion:** Motion to approve Ordinance 2415