



City Council Communication

AGENDA DATE: July 20, 2026

LEGISTAR ITEM #: Ord 2783

PRESENTER: Theresa Wilson

DEPARTMENT: Finance

☒ Ordinance	☐ Resolution	☐ Public Hearing
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REQUEST

Approve an ordinance to amend the 2026 Budget by recognition of grant funds from the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA), the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG), and the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT).

BACKGROUND

The City has recently received multiple grant awards from DOLA, DRCOG, and CDOT. These three grant awards are summarized below:

1. DOLA Accessory Dwelling Unit Grant (ADUG)
 - Award Amount: \$16,500
 - Project: Commerce City Accessory Dwelling Unit Technical Assistance Document Project
 - City Match: \$5,500 (25%) to be provided from existing Community Development Department funding within General Fund
 - Performance Period: 6/2/2026 – 5/31/2028
2. CDOT High Visibility Enforcement Grant (“DUI”)
 - Award Amount: \$8,500
 - Project: Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Enforcement Efforts
 - City Match: None
 - Performance Period: 7/1/2026 – 6/30/2027
3. DRCOG Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG)
 - Sub-Award Amount: \$1,182,753
 - Project: Staffing Capacity and Training to Promote Building Decarbonization Policies
 - City Match: None

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- Performance Period: 5/21/2026 – 9/30/2029

Staff recommends recognizing these recent grant awards and incorporating related funding in the 2026 budget.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Contractor	DOLA, DRCOG, CDOT
Amount of Request/Contract	\$See background section for details
Amount Not To Exceed	\$See background section for details
Amount Budgeted	\$N/A
Budget Year	FY 2026
Funding Source	Various sources
Additional Funds Needed	\$See background section for details regarding local matches.
Funding Source (if funds needed)	N/A

JUSTIFICATION

☒ Council Goal	☐ Strategic Plan	☐ Work Plan	☐ Legal
Citation	City Council Goals: Protect resident health, safety, and education by promoting public safety, environmental health, and sustainability. Address the full spectrum of housing needs, encourage sustainable development, and protect residents through enhanced oversight and balanced residential growth.		

AVAILABLE ACTIONS

- Available Action #1: Approve Ordinance 2783 as submitted.
- Available Action #2: Opt not to approve and forgo accepting grant funds.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Action #1, approve as submitted.