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## Council Communication

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**Status:** Agenda Ready

**In Control:** City Council

**File Type:** Ordinance

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2024 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE GENERATION WILD GRANT FUNDS FROM GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,000 TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES TO YOUTH TO CONNECT WITH THE OUTDOORS

### Summary and Background Information:

The Parks, Recreation and Golf (PRG) Department, since 2015, has partnered with multiple entities as part of the Generation Wild Northeast Metro Coalition (NEMC), including 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.

NEMC received an additional grant award for \$371,000 for two years of programming during 2024 and 2025 as addressed by Resolution 2024-084 and Resolution 2024-121. Below breaks down how the total award amount of \$371,000 that was split amongst grant partners:

\$335,000 - Friends of the Front Range Wildlife Refuges (to distribute to other grant partners)

\$36,000 - City of Aurora

Of the \$335,000 distributed to Friends of the Front Range Wildlife Refuges, \$7,000 will be passed through to the City of Commerce City Parks, Recreation and Golf Department.

**Staff Responsible (Department Head):** Chad Redin, Director, PRG

**Staff Member Presenting:** Chad Redin, Director, PRG is available for questions.

**Financial Impact:** \$7,000

**Funding Source:** Friends of the Front Range Wildlife Refuges via Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO)

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve Ordinance 2645

**Suggested Motion:** Motion to approve ordinance 2645 as seated on first reading