# **AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

City Council



#### **STAFF**

LeAnn Williams, Director, Recreation Kelly Dubois, Senior Supervisor, Recreation

#### **SUBJECT**

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 069, 2024, Making a Supplemental Appropriation from the Colorado Department of Early Childhood in Support of Licensed City Childcare Programs.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This Ordinance, unanimously adopted on First Reading on May 21, 2024, supports licensed City childcare programs by appropriating \$21,069 of unanticipated grant revenue awarded by the Colorado Department of Early Childhood (CDEC).

Through the CDEC's Childcare Stabilization Grants program the City was awarded \$21,069 in federal pass-through funds to provide enhancements in licensed City Childcare programs.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on Second Reading.

#### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

The City was informed by the CDEC in spring 2024 that three of the City's licensed childhood programs were eligible to receive American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) federal pass-through funds under the CDEC's Childcare Stabilization Grants Program. These federal funds are under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Childcare and Development Block Grant.

Based on efforts by City's Recreation, the City was awarded funds to support operations of the Camp FunQuest program at both the Northside Aztlan Community Center and Foothills Activity Center, as well as the Funtime Preschool Program at Northside Aztlan Community Center (per Attachments 2, 3 and 4). The CDEC awarded each program \$7,023 for a total of \$21,069.

The grants do not require the City to sign a post-award agreement and do not require that the City provide matching funds. Funds must be fully spent by September 30, 2024.

Recreation will be administering these grant funds, providing monthly reporting and attestations to the CDEC about allowable costs, which is required to receive the next monthly installment of grant funds.

## **CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS**

The item appropriates \$21,069 in unanticipated federal pass-through grant revenue through the CDEC in support of the City's licensed childcare programs.

There is no match requirement by the City under this grant.

The grant is a reimbursement-based grant that works through funding installments by the CDEC, meaning Recreation Fund expenses will be reimbursed up to \$21,069.

#### **BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

None.

# **PUBLIC OUTREACH**

None.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

First Reading attachments not included.

1. Ordinance for Consideration