

# AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City Council



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## STAFF

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## SUBJECT

**First Reading of Ordinance No. 032, 2026, Making a Supplemental Appropriation from the Colorado Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Office for the Fort Collins Police Services' Click It or Ticket Traffic Safety Program.**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to appropriate \$22,000 from the Colorado Department of Transportation's (CDOT) Highway Safety Office (HSO) for the Click It or Ticket traffic safety program for Police Services. This federal award is passed through the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration to CDOT.

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## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

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## BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

On March 6, 2026, the Fort Collins Police Services (FCPS) Traffic Enforcement Unit was awarded a \$22,000 Click It or Ticket federal grant through the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Highway Safety Office (HSO). The Click It or Ticket grant program (the Program) provides enforcement focused on driver and passenger restraint system use. The Program runs three enforcement cycles during the following timeframes in 2026: April 6 - April 12; May 18 - May 31; and July 20 - July 31. During these three enforcement cycles, officers are deployed to conduct traffic enforcement and specifically to enforce driver and passenger restraint use. The enforcement of driver and passenger restraint system use aligns with the City's Vision Zero goal to reduce and or eliminate serious injury and fatal crashes. Driver and passenger restraint systems have proven to save lives by keeping the restrained passengers inside the vehicle in the event of a serious collision. The Program covers the period from April 1, 2026, through August 1, 2026.

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## CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

The item appropriates \$22,000 in program costs for the FCPS Traffic Enforcement Unit and other agency personnel to deploy at their respective salary overtime rates during the three enforcement waves of Click It or Ticket.

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

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None.

## **PUBLIC OUTREACH**

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Communication to the community regarding the importance of wearing seat belts.

## **ATTACHMENTS / LINKS**

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1. 2026 CIOT Award Letter
2. Ordinance No. 032, 2026