

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City Council



STAFF

Rob Seals, Police Psychologist, Police Services
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SUBJECT

Resolution 2026-100 Supporting Fort Collins Police Services' Grant Application for the 2026-27 Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support Funding.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to obtain Council support for Police Services to apply for the Colorado Department of Local Affairs Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnerships Grant.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Resolution.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

Since 1990 Fort Collins Police Services ("FCPS") has provided behavioral health support to employees through the Office of Human Services' Police Psychologist. In 2024, FCPS applied for and was awarded a Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnerships Grant from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs ("DOLA"). This award provided \$100,000 of funding for: 1) counseling services for police officers and their family members; 2) training and educational programs that teach about the systems of job-related mental trauma, and how to prevent and treat such trauma; and 3) peer support programs. The award also funded a Mental Health Counselor to provide support services (see attached Ordinance No. 057, 2025).

By applying for the 2026-27 DOLA Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support and Community Partnerships Grant, FCPS will request funding a Mental Health Counselor position for one year. The application to DOLA for this grant requires Council approval and is due July 24, 2026.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

No matching funds are required for this grant. FCPS' application to this DOLA grant program does not impact City finances. If the grant is awarded, the City will serve as the fiscal agent for the grant funds and will seek appropriation of such grant funds from Council.

BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

None.

ATTACHMENTS / LINKS

1. Ordinance No. 057, 2025 (copy)
2. Resolution 2026-100