AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY City Council



STAFF

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SUBJECT

First Reading of Ordinance No. 152, 2023, Appropriating Philanthropic Revenue Received by City Give for the 9/11 Memorial, Park Planning and Design for the Construction of the 9/11 Memorial at Spring Park.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to request appropriation of \$24,870.70 for the designated purpose toward the park planning and design for the construction of the 9/11 Memorial at Spring Park, 2100 Mathews Street, Fort Collins, Colorado.

A partnership between the City of Fort Collins and Poudre Fire Authority (PFA), the 9/11 Memorial will be located in midtown Fort Collins, and will honor firefighters, emergency medical technicians, law enforcement officers, and nearly 3,000 others who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

Adjacent to PFA Station 3, abutting Spring Park, the park will serve as the permanent home to the steel World Trade Center (WTC) I-Beam, moved to Fort Collins in 2015. A symbol of resilience, this WTC artifact will draw visitors to reflect on the collective loss and incredible acts of bravery of September 11th.

Colorado Task Force 1 - Urban Search and Rescue, a federal disaster response team, deployed 64 Coloradoans—including nine firefighters from the Poudre Fire Authority—to New York City to assist with urban search and recovery. By telling their story, we acknowledge that the response to tragedy defines a community more than the tragedy itself.

Funding for the memorial is the culmination of generous community donors, Poudre Fire Authority and the City of Fort Collins. This item appropriates \$24,870.70 representing a range of philanthropic gifts designated for the sole purpose of the 9/11 Memorial at Spring Park from individuals, local fundraising campaigns led by PFA firefighters, and businesses including a \$10,000 awarded from Anheuser-Busch. This total amount encompasses \$19,870.70 received in 2023 and a \$5,000 donation received in 2022.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

This Ordinance will appropriate \$24,870.70 in philanthropic revenue received by City Give for Park, Planning and Design. The donated funds have been received and accepted per the City Give Administrative and Financial Policy.

The City Manager has also determined that these appropriations are available and previously unappropriated from the designated funds and will not cause the total amount appropriated in these funds to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in these funds during fiscal year 2023.

BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

None.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance for Consideration