

ORDINANCE NO. 133, 2025
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND
APPROPRIATING PRIOR YEAR RESERVES FOR THE EDORA
POOL ICE CENTER CHILLER REPLACEMENT AND RINK
RENOVATION PROJECT AND RELATED ART IN PUBLIC
PLACES

A. Edora Pool Ice Center (“EPIC”) was built in 1987 and expanded in 2003. EPIC supports a wide range of recreational, competitive and community programming, from learn-to-swim and learn-to-skate classes to figure skating, youth and adult hockey leagues, public skate sessions, and regional swim meets.

B. The facility’s original ice chiller system has reached the end of its operational life. A failure of this system would lead to extended facility closures, significant revenue losses and widespread disruption to services being relied on by thousands of EPIC users each year.

C. In tandem with replacing the ice chiller system, staff have identified other ways to modernize key rink infrastructure, including by upgrading dasher boards, tempered safety glass, protective netting, painting and rink flooring (together, the “Project”).

D. The Project represents a rare and strategic opportunity to extend the life of a beloved public asset, ensure the facility meets current and future demands and reinforce Fort Collins’ commitment to maintaining resilient, inclusive and high-quality infrastructure. The Project directly supports City Council priorities related to infrastructure investment, sustainability, economic health and community livability.

E. The 2050 Tax Parks Rec Transit OCF Fund dedicated tax (“2050 Fund”) has already appropriated \$3,000,000 for the Project. This Ordinance would appropriate the remaining balance of \$3,000,000 from various funds, as outlined below.

F. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met in July of this year and voted unanimously to support this Project.

G. This appropriation benefits the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Fort Collins and serves the public purpose by aligning with the City’s goals to reduce the carbon footprint of municipal operations, invest in aging infrastructure before failure occurs, and ensure that all EPIC users have access to safe, inclusive and welcoming recreation spaces.

H. Article V, Section 9 of the City Charter permits the City Council, upon the recommendation of the City Manager, to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year from such revenues and funds for expenditure as may

be available from reserves accumulated in prior years, notwithstanding that such reserves were not previously appropriated.

I. The City Manager has recommended the appropriation described herein and determined that the funds to be appropriated are available and previously unappropriated from the Recreation Fund reserves and the 2050 Fund.

J. The recommended appropriations will not cause the total amounts appropriated in the 2050 Fund or the Recreation Fund reserves to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in these funds during this fiscal year.

K. This Project involves construction estimated to cost more than \$250,000 and, as such, City Code Section 23-304 requires one percent of these appropriations to be transferred to the Cultural Services and Facilities Fund for a contribution to the Art in Public Places program ("APP Program").

L. The total Project cost of \$3,000,000 has been used to calculate the contribution to the APP Program.

M. The amount to be contributed in this Ordinance to the APP Program will be \$30,000

N. Article V, Section 11 of the City Charter authorizes the City Council to designate in the ordinance when appropriating funds for a capital project, that such appropriation shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year in which the appropriation is made, but continue until the completion of the capital project.

O. The City Council wishes to designate the appropriations herein for the EPIC Chiller Replacement and Rink Renovation Project as appropriations that shall not lapse until the completion of the Project.

In light of the foregoing recitals, which the Council hereby makes and adopts as determinations and findings, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from prior year reserves in the 2050 Tax Parks Rec Transit OCF Fund – (Parks and Rec) the sum of TWO MILLION DOLLARS (\$2,000,000) to be expended in the 2050 Tax Parks Rec Transit OCF Fund for EPIC Chiller Replacement and Rink Renovation Project.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated from prior year reserves in the Recreation Fund the sum of ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) to be expended in the Recreation Fund for EPIC Chiller Replacement and Rink Renovation Project.

Section 3. The unexpended and unencumbered appropriated amount of FIFTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$15,600) in the 2050 Tax Parks Rec Transit OCF and SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$7,800) in the Recreation Fund are hereby authorized for transfer to the Cultural Services and Facilities Fund and appropriated and expended therein to fund art projects under the APP Program.

Section 4. The unexpended and unencumbered appropriated amount of FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4,000) in the 2050 Tax Parks Rec Transit OCF Fund and TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) in the Recreation Fund are hereby authorized for transfer to the Cultural Services and Facilities Fund and appropriated and expended therein for the operation costs of the APP Program.

Section 5. The unexpended and unencumbered appropriated amount of FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$400) in the 2050 Tax Parks Rec Transit OCF Fund and TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200) in the Recreation Fund is hereby authorized for transfer to the Cultural Services and Facilities Fund and appropriated and expended therein for the maintenance costs of the APP Program.

Section 6. The appropriation herein for EPIC Chiller Replacement and Rink Renovation Project is hereby designated, as authorized in Article V, Section 11 of the City Charter, as an appropriation that shall not lapse at the end of this fiscal year but continue until the completion of the Project.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading on August 19, 2025, and approved on second reading for final passage on September 2, 2025.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Effective Date: September 12, 2025

Approving Attorney: Sara Arfmann

Exhibit: None