

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

City Council



STAFF

Emily Land, Director of Philanthropy and Strategic Partnerships

SUBJECT

First Reading of Ordinance No. 124, 2026, Appropriating Unanticipated Philanthropic Revenue Received Through City Give.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to request an appropriation of \$53,200.88 in philanthropic revenue received through City Give. These miscellaneous gifts to various City departments support a variety of programs and services and are aligned with both the City's strategic priorities and the respective donors' designation.

In 2019, City Give, a formalized enterprise-wide initiative was launched to create a transparent, non-partisan governance structure for the acceptance and appropriations of charitable gifts.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The City has long been the beneficiary of local generosity and has a valuable role in our community's philanthropic landscape. Generosity is demonstrated in both large and modest gifts, each appreciated for its investment in the mission and the range of services the City strives to deliver.

The City received several individual philanthropic donations in 2026 totaling \$53,200.88 to support various departments, and these funds are currently unappropriated. Both Section 2.2 of the City's Financial Management Policy 2 – Revenue, as approved by City Council, and the Administrative Philanthropic Governance Policy 6.04, adopted by the City Manager, (together the "City Give Policies"), provide the bases and processes for the responsible and efficient management of charitable donations to the City.

Gifts totaling \$53,200.88 have been received for various programs. These gifts include: \$3,750.00 to support the Summer Gardens Concert Series to support the Summer Gardens Concert Series, \$3,300.00 from the Audiology Group of Northern Colorado to support Arts & Culture, \$13,000.00 from Kentwood Real Estate to support Arts & Culture, \$2,000.00 from FoCo Snow Charities to benefit the Youth Golf Scholarship Fund, \$4,400.88 from various utility customers to support the Payment Assistance Fund, \$7,500.00 from Verizon Wireless to support the Police Leaders Summit, \$250.00 from the Ottercares Foundation to support Recreation, \$10,000.00 from Connexion in support of Open Streets, \$2,000 in support of Morning Fresh Dairy to support Kids in the Park, \$5,000.00 from Friends of FoCo Fondo in support of Safe Routes to

School, and \$2,000.00 from various individual donors to support various departments including forestry and visual arts.

CITY FINANCIAL IMPACTS

Upon adoption, this Ordinance will appropriate in the current fiscal year into the Funds as detailed in the table below in new philanthropic revenue received by City Give in the amount of \$53,200.88 and authorize expenditures against those revenues for the purposes and in the amounts as directed by donors to support various City departments to support a range of programs and services.

Fund	Project	Amount	Lapsing/Non-lapsing
Arts and Culture Fund	Lincoln Center	\$3,750.00	Lapsing
Arts and Culture Fund	Auracast tech at LC, GOSC, FCMoD & remote	\$3,300.00	Lapsing
Arts and Culture Fund	Lincoln Center Showstopper Series Sponsorship	\$13,000.00	Lapsing
General Fund	Tribute Trees	\$500.00	Non-Lapsing
General Fund	Artist Opportunity Grants	\$1,000.00	Lapsing
General Fund	Tribute Tree	\$500.00	Non-Lapsing
General Fund	Police Leaders Summit	\$7,500.00	Lapsing
Golf Fund	Youth Golf Scholarship Fund	\$2,000.00	Non-Lapsing
Light & Power Fund	Payment Assistance Fund	\$2,180.35	Non-Lapsing
Light & Power Fund	Payment Assistance Fund	\$2,220.53	Non-Lapsing
Recreation Fund	Funtime Preschool	\$250.00	Lapsing
Recreation Fund	Kids in the Park Sponsorship	\$2,000.00	Lapsing
Transportation Fund	Safe Routes To School	\$5,000.00	Lapsing
Transportation Fund	Open Streets	\$10,000.00	Lapsing

The donations will be spent from the designated fund solely for the donors' intended purpose. The funds have been received and accepted according to City Give Policies.

The City Manager has also determined that these appropriations are available and previously unappropriated from their designated City Fund and will not cause the total amount appropriated in those Funds to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues.

BOARD / COMMISSION / COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

None.

ATTACHMENTS / LINKS

1. Ordinance No. 124, 2026