

ORDINANCE NO. 036, 2021
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR
GRANTS TO FORT COLLINS UTILITIES COMMERCIAL WATER CUSTOMERS FOR
WATER CONSERVATION LANDSCAPE TRANSFORMATION PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the City owns and operates Fort Collins Utilities (“Utilities”), which includes a water utility that provides water to customers in its service area; and

WHEREAS, water conservation is a tool that is used by Utilities, primarily through the Utilities Water Conservation Division, to manage and reduce the demand for water service from the water utility by Utilities customers, which is beneficial to the City, the water utility, and its ratepayers by, among other reasons, helping to ensure that the demand for water does not exceed supplies, which could result in more shortages and other adverse impacts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2019-056, the City sought a grant from the United Stated Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (“Reclamation”), and subsequently entered into a grant agreement, dated May 5, 2020, with Reclamation; and

WHEREAS, said grant agreement provides for a grant of \$70,000 to the City pursuant to its terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, said grant funds will provide funding to support additional rebates for Utilities commercial water customer landscape transformation projects in 2021 through the Xeriscape Inceptive Program; and

WHEREAS, the expenditures to support such landscape transformation projects will initially be funded from prior year reserves from the Water Fund, which will be replenished upon receiving reimbursements from Reclamation; and

WHEREAS, this appropriation benefits public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Fort Collins, the water utility, and its ratepayers, and serves the public purpose of helping to ensure that the demand for water does not exceed supplies, which could result in more shortages and other adverse impacts; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 9, of the City Charter permits the City Council, upon recommendation of the City Manager, to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year, provided that the total amount of such supplemental appropriations, in combination with all previous appropriations for that fiscal year, does not exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues to be received during the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended the appropriation described herein and determined that this appropriation is available and previously unappropriated from the Water Fund and will not cause the total amount appropriated in the Water Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues to be received in that fund during any fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That there is hereby appropriated from unanticipated grant revenue in the Water Fund the sum of SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$70,000) for expenditure in the Water Fund for commercial-scale waterwise landscape transformation projects through the Xeriscape Incentive Program and appropriated therein.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 2nd day of March, A.D. 2021, and to be presented for final passage on the 16th day of March, A.D. 2021.



Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading on the 16th day of March, A.D. 2021.



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