



**Denver City Council**

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CdeBaca Amendment to the Mayor's Proposed 2022 Budget  
**21-1336**

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Councilwoman Candi CdeBaca

November 1, 2021

Madam President: I move that the Mayor's Proposed 2022 Budget be amended in the following particulars:

1. On page 482, in the line titled "Housing Opportunity" (Fund 0144000) reduce the amount in the 2022 Recommended column by \$100,000.
2. On page 376, in the line titled "Personnel Complement" (Fund 0141000) increase the amount in the 2022 Recommended column by \$100,000 from \$5,288,156 to \$5,388,156 to increase funding for an Equity Monitor.
3. Make other appropriate adjustments to comments, tables, schedules, and figures in the Mayor's Proposed 2022 Budget as may be required to reflect the actions in this amendment.

**Explanation:** This department is notorious for struggling to implement equity initiatives/activities. From their budget presentation it was unclear to me that neighborhood amendment plans would be able to be amended for equity issues due to the already planned out workload of the NPI. We cannot achieve equity if we do not re-calibrate known inequitable plans in real time. This position would escalate and case manage equity cases and requests for neighborhood plan amendments in equity neighborhoods. They would convene the many stakeholders internally who are supposed to deal with equity but have no authority within CPD to catalyze changes in one of the agencies with the heaviest inequitable impact on marginalized people. They could filter all re-zonings in equity neighborhoods before determining if the rezones TRULY meet the criteria of advancing "safety & wellbeing" of residents based on the community's own terms.