

BILL/ RESOLUTION REQUEST

- 1. Title:** A bill for an ordinance amending section 20-52, Denver Revised Municipal Code, to provide consistent procedures for approval and receipt of public and private grants-in-aid
- 2. Requesting Agency:** Department of Finance
- 3. Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance***
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- 4. Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance who will present the item at Mayor Council and who will be available for first and second reading, if necessary***
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- 5. Describe the proposed ordinance, including what the proposed ordinance is intended to accomplish, who's involved**

- a. Scope of Work**

The role of the City Council in approving the receipt of grants by the City and County of Denver is defined by ordinances codified in Chapter 20 of the D.R.M.C. In 2006 some of these grant-acceptance procedures were amended and streamlined for state and federal grants, but private grants were not included at that time.

The proposed bill for an ordinance will make the city's grant-acceptance procedures consistent for all types of grants, regardless of source. See Executive Summary and attached bill.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Through the years the Denver City Council has adopted several ordinances establishing a role for the Council in the grants process. Council is notified whenever an application is made for a grant (§ 20-52 D.R.M.C.). In 2006, Section 20-52 concerning state and federal grants was amended to require City Council approval of a these grants only when: (A) the amount of the grant exceeds \$500,000; (B) the grant requires a local match for which there has not been a prior appropriation; or (C) any member of council has requested review and approval of a grant by calling it out from the monthly grant report.

Guidance for privately funded grants or donations are in a separate section (§ 20-55, D.R.M.C.) of the revised code. To facilitate consistency among grants, regardless of the

funding source, this ordinance proposes to revise section 20-55 to be consistent with Section 20-52. City Council approval of these grants when: (A) the amount of the grant exceeds \$500,000; (B) the grant requires a local match for which there has not been a prior appropriation; or (C) any member of council has requested review and approval of a grant by calling it out from the monthly grant report.

It would eliminate the need to separate appropriation action for grant revenue under \$500,000. Council would be able to call up any public or private grant for review and approval if desired. All private grants in aid that in excess of \$500,000 and/or those which require a local match for which there has been no prior appropriation would automatically come to Council for approval.

b. Duration

c. Location

d. Affected Council District

e. Benefits

The proposed bill would conform the council review and approval for all types of grants, both public and private, to simplify the law and procedures for all city agencies.

f. Costs

None

6. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance, groups or individuals who may have concerns about it? Please explain.

No

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