



**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
MEMORANDUM #2018 – 07**

DATE: January 22, 2018  
TO: Honorable Mayor Carol Dodge and City Council Members  
FROM: James A. Hayes, AICP, City Manager   
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SUBJECT: **Council Discussion Item**  
Ralston House Update

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**PURPOSE**

The City Project Team will provide an update to Council on design and project status of the Ralston House project at the end of every month. This is the January 2018 update.

**BACKGROUND**

The Ralston House Children’s Advocacy Center is currently providing services out of the outdated facility located at the Northglenn Water Treatment Plant (WTP). The proposed new facility will be located adjacent to the old facility. Once the new Ralston House is operational the old facility will be demolished.

**GRANT APPLICATIONS**

Grant Application #1: Ralston House (RH) staff coordinated the formal application for a Department of Labor Affairs (DOLA) Energy Impact Grant with the City of Northglenn, which shall serve as the official applicant. The application was submitted in January. In April the RH staff and City staff attended the grant hearing and presented the Ralston House project to the advisory committee. Unfortunately, DOLA did not approve the grant for the Ralston House.

Grant Application #2: Gates Family Foundation – Earlier in the year GFF awarded **\$25,000** to the RH project. The grant money will be received after ground breaking.

Grant Application #3 Boettcher Foundation – Recently BF awarded **\$35,000** to the RH project. The grant money will be received after ground breaking.

*No additional information on the grants at this time.*

Also note - Metro Landscaping has agreed to donate up to **\$100,000** in land scape services.

**PROJECT UPDATE**

*Design Update* – The RH civil design package has been approved. *No changes from December update.*

*Cost Update* – The architect (Eidos Architects PC) provided an opinion of cost in September 2016. The total project cost at that time was estimated at \$1,700,000. Staff has received an updated opinion of cost for the project in conjunction with the aforementioned minor design change. The update opinion of cost (design and construction) totals **\$1,855,783**. Approximately an 8% increase. *No changes from December update.*

