


ADMINISTRATION MEMORANDUM

14-37

DATE: November 24, 2014
TO: Honorable Mayor Joyce Downing and City Council Members
FROM: John R. Pick, City Manager 
SUBJECT: CR-125 – Triennial Determination for the Continuation of the Rocky Flats Stewardship Council

RECOMMENDATION:

I recommend that Council adopt the attached resolution providing for the triennial review and continuation of the Rocky Flats Stewardship Council

BACKGROUND

In 2006, the counties of Jefferson and Boulder, the City and County of Broomfield, the cities of Arvada, Boulder, Golden, Northglenn, Westminster, and the town of Superior established the Rocky Flats Stewardship Council to provide:

- 1) continuing local oversight of activities occurring at the Rocky Flats site to ensure that local government and community interests are met with regard to long-term stewardship of residual contamination and refuge management;
- 2) a forum to address issues facing former site employees, including but not limited to long-term health benefits and pension programs; and
- 3) an ongoing mechanism to maintain public knowledge of Rocky Flats and to educate successive generations of ongoing needs and responsibilities regarding contaminant management and refuge management of this former nuclear site.

In 2012, the City of Thornton became a member of the Stewardship Council.

The Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) establishing the Stewardship Council provides for a triennial review of the Council and determination whether to continue the Council's existence. Since its organization in 2006, the Stewardship Council has gone through a triennial review in 2009 and 2012.

The next triennial review is scheduled to be concluded by February 13, 2015. The Board of the Stewardship Council requests that each member organization adopt the attached resolution making a finding that the Stewardship Council should not be terminated and that it should be allowed to continue for another three years.

Mayor Downing is the City's current representative on the Stewardship Council and serves as its chair.

BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS

If Council did not wish to continue our membership in the Rocky Flats Stewardship Council, we would save \$1,000 that we pay annually for our participation in this organization. Adoption of this Resolution would have no effect on the City's budget.

STAFF REFERENCE:

Please contact John Pick at jpick@northglenn.org or at 303-450-8706.

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR DOWNING

COUNCILMAN'S RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO.

No. CR-125
Series of 2014

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A RESOLUTION REGARDING TRIENNIAL DETERMINATION FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE ROCKY FLATS STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the City and County of Broomfield, the Counties of Boulder and Jefferson, the Cities of Arvada, Boulder, Golden, Northglenn, Thornton, and Westminster, and the Town of Superior (collectively, the "Parties"), entered into an intergovernmental agreement dated February 13, 2006, as amended on February 6, 2012 ("IGA") establishing the Rocky Flats Stewardship Council, a separate legal public entity created by such IGA as permitted by Colorado Constitution Article XIV and section 18(2), part 2 of article 1, title 29, C.R.S. ("Stewardship Council"); and

WHEREAS, the Stewardship Council was established to allow local governments to continue working together on issues related to the long-term protection of Rocky Flats, as described in the IGA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of the IGA, the Stewardship Council shall terminate absent, *inter alia*, the unanimous triennial determination by all Parties that the Stewardship Council should continue for another three years; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northglenn now desires to consider and make a determination concerning the continuation of the Stewardship Council for another three years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. The City Council hereby determines that it is not desirable for the Stewardship Council to terminate at this time.

Section 2. The City Council hereby determines that the Stewardship Council should continue for an additional three (3) years from the date of February 13, 2015, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the IGA.

DATED at Northglenn, Colorado, this ____ day of _____, 2014.

JOYCE DOWNING
Mayor

ATTEST:

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

COREY Y. HOFFMANN
City Attorney