



**Background Paper for Proposed Ordinance**

**COUNCIL MEETING DATE:** March 28, 2022

**TO:** President Heather Graham and Members of City Council  
**CC:** Nicholas A. Gradisar, Mayor  
**VIA:** Marisa Stoller, City Clerk  
**FROM:** Barbara Huber, Fire Chief – Fire Department  
**SUBJECT:** AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROJECT NO. PS2203 FOR THE NURSE NAVIGATION PROGRAM, BUDGETING AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$201, 869 TO SAID PROJECT, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDS PURSUANT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COLORADO DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, APPROVING THE RELATED NURSE NAVIGATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN PUEBLO, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, AND ACCESS2CARE, LLC AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAME

**SUMMARY:**

This ordinance approves a nurse navigation agreement between Access2Care LLC and the City of Pueblo and establishes Project PS2203 to manage grant funds related to such agreement.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:**

None.

**BACKGROUND:**

This is a 2-year pilot program grant that is through the Colorado Division of Homeland Security. It will help connect the community to nurse navigation services rather than utilizing 9-1-1 and emergency rooms. Willing callers will be sent to a nurse's line after a thorough list of questions have identified an appropriate need. The long-term effect could be an improved use of connection to and use of medical resources as well as a reduction in 9-1-1 calls.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

There is no cost to the city. Staff time will be required for project management, as well as grant monitoring and reporting.

**BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:**

Not applicable.

**STAKEHOLDER PROCESS:**

Not applicable.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

None.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval of the Ordinance.

**ATTACHMENT:**

Agreement

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF PUEBLO that:

SECTION 1.

The Intergovernmental Agreement between Pueblo and the Colorado Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management (“Grant”) is hereby approved and the City is authorized to accept grant funds under the Grant.

SECTION 2.

Grant funds in the amount of \$201,869.00 are hereby budgeted and appropriated into Project No. PS2203, and Project No. PS2203 is hereby established for said purposes.

SECTION 3.

The Nurse Navigation Agreement (“Agreement”) between and Pueblo, a municipal corporation and Access2Care, LLC, attached hereto, having been approved as to form by the City Attorney, is hereby approved.

SECTION 4.

The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement for and on behalf of the City and the City Clerk is authorized to affix the seal of the City thereto and attest same.

SECTION 5.

Funds for services performed under the Agreement shall be from Project No. PS2203.

SECTION 6.

The officers and staff of the City are authorized to perform any and all acts consistent with this Ordinance and the attached Grant and Agreement to implement the policies and procedures described therein.

**SECTION 7.**

This Ordinance shall become effective on the date of final action by the Mayor and City Council.

**Action by City Council:**

Introduced and initial adoption of Ordinance by City Council on \_\_\_\_\_.

Final adoption of Ordinance by City Council on \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of City Council

**Action by the Mayor:**

Approved on \_\_\_\_\_.

Disapproved on \_\_\_\_\_ based on the following objections:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

**Action by City Council After Disapproval by the Mayor:**

Council did not act to override the Mayor's veto.

Ordinance re-adopted on a vote of \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_

Council action on \_\_\_\_\_ failed to override the Mayor's veto.

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of City Council

ATTEST

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City Clerk