



NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING

TELECONFERENCE

October 3, 2022

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

EXECUTIVE SESSION

(Closed to the Public)

5:00 p.m.

STUDY SESSION

(Open to the Public)

6:30 p.m.

TELECONFERENCE/ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION PROCEDURES

Members of the Aurora City Council will participate in an October 03, 2022 Special Council Meeting and a Study Session by teleconference.

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AGENDA

Study Session of the Aurora City Council

Monday, October 3, 2022

6:30 p.m.

VIRTUAL MEETING

City of Aurora

15151 E Alameda Parkway

Pages

1. ITEMS FROM THE MAYOR

1.a. Mayor's Update

1.b. Issue Update

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

2.a. Consideration to Appoint Two (2) Members to the Aurora Immigrant and
Refugee Commission

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Kadee Rodriguez, City Clerk / Dave Lathers, Senior Assistant City Attorney

3. ITEMS FROM THE POLICY COMMITTEES

4. ITEMS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

4.a. ARPA Grant Programs Update

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Christina McClelland, Grant Development Manager / Hanosky Hernandez,
Senior Assistant City Attorney

Estimated time: 15 mins

5. ITEMS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

- 5.a. AmeriCorps Presentation** 41
- Sponsor: Françoise Bergan, Mayor Pro Tem
 Jim Twombly, City Manager / Dan Brotzman, City Attorney
- Outside Speaker: Heather Dirck, Community Relations Specialist, Americorps
 NCCC – Southwest Region
- Estimated time: 30 mins
- 5.b. Aurora Sister Cities Relationship with City of Ilopango, El Salvador
 (Resolution)** 58
- Sponsor: Juan Marcano, Council Member
- Ricardo Gambetta, Manager, Office of International and Immigrant Affairs /
 Kimberly Skaggs, Assistant City Attorney
- Outside Speaker: Karlyn Shorb, Executive Director, Aurora Sister Cities
 International & Salvador Cazun, Chair, El Salvador Sister City Committee
- Estimated time: 35 mins
- 5.c. Resolution for Housing Design and Review Committee 2022** 82
- Sponsor: Mike Coffman, Mayor
 Dan Money, Senior Assistant City Attorney
- Estimated time: 15 mins
- 6. CALL-UPS OF COUNCIL POLICY COMMITTEE ITEMS**
- 7. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**
- 8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA, IF ANY**



CITY OF AURORA

Council Agenda Commentary

Item Title: Consideration to Appoint Two (2) Members to the Aurora Immigrant and Refugee Commission
Item Initiator: Roberto Venegas, Deputy City Manager
Staff Source/Legal Source: Kadee Rodriguez, City Clerk / Dave Lathers, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Outside Speaker: N/A
Council Goal: 2012: 4.4--Strengthen and build effective partnerships with the city's diverse community; and celebrate and appreciate diversity

COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

Study Session: 10/3/2022

Regular Meeting: 10/10/2022

ITEM DETAILS:

- Agenda long title
- Waiver of reconsideration requested, and if so, why
- Sponsor name
- Staff source name and title / Legal source name and title
- Outside speaker name and organization
- Estimated Presentation/discussion time for Study Session

Kadee Rodriguez, City Clerk / Dave Lathers, Senior Assistant City Attorney

ACTIONS(S) PROPOSED *(Check all appropriate actions)*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Approve Item with Waiver of Reconsideration
Reason for waiver is described in the Item Details field. | |

PREVIOUS ACTIONS OR REVIEWS:

Policy Committee Name: N/A

Policy Committee Date: N/A

Action Taken/Follow-up: *(Check all that apply)*

Recommends Approval

Does Not Recommend Approval

Forwarded Without Recommendation

Recommendation Report Attached

Minutes Attached

Minutes Not Available

HISTORY *(Dates reviewed by City council, Policy Committees, Boards and Commissions, or Staff. Summarize pertinent comments. ATTACH MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS, POLICY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.)*

The Aurora Immigrant & Refugee Commission (AIRC) promotes the integration of the local immigrant and refugee communities into Aurora's civic, economic and cultural life.

The AIRC consists of eleven (11) voting members appointed by the Aurora City Council. The term length is two (2) years and members may serve up to three (3) terms.

ITEM SUMMARY *(Brief description of item, discussion, key points, recommendations, etc.)*

The AIRC currently has 5 vacancies. The Commission received 2 applications and interviews were conducted on September 20, 2022.

Among the applicants were:

Jusu-Wai Sawi

Binisha Shrestha

Upon conducting interviews, the AIRC respectfully recommends the appointment of the following candidates:

Jusu-Wai Sawi – 1st term beginning 2/1/2022 and ending on 1/31/2025

Binisha Shrestha – 1st term beginning on 2/1/2022 and ending on 1/31/2025

QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL

Does Council wish to support the appointment of Jusu-Wai Sawi and Binisha Shrestha to the Aurora Immigrant and Refugee Commission?

LEGAL COMMENTS

There shall be a good faith effort made to have the membership of the Aurora Immigrant and Refugee Commission fully represent the diversity of the immigrant and refugee community. The Commission shall consist of 11 members who are residents of the City of Aurora. (Section 2-878 of the City Code) (Lathers)

PUBLIC FINANCIAL IMPACT

YES NO

If yes, explain: N/A

PRIVATE FISCAL IMPACT

Not Applicable Significant Nominal

If Significant or Nominal, explain: N/A

MEMORANDUM



City of Aurora

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TO: Mayor Coffman & Members of City Council
THROUGH: Roberto Venegas, Deputy City Manager
FROM: Ricardo Gambetta, Manager Office of International & Immigrants Affairs
DATE: September 22, 2022
SUBJECT: AIRC Appointment

September 22, 2022

Dear Mayor Coffman & Members of City Council,

The Aurora Immigrant and Refugee Commission (AIRC) consists of eleven (11) voting members appointed by the Aurora City Council. AIRC has 5 open positions that need to be filled due to term expiration and resignation of previous members. After a series of outreach efforts by AIRC and OIIA, the City Clerk's office received 2 applications. The AIRC conducted interviews with the applicant who is seeking appointment on September 20, 2022. The AIRC members were very impressed with the applicants and they would like to recommend appointment of 2 applicants for the current opening.

On behalf of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Aurora Immigrant and Refugee Commission, we are recommending the City Council approve the following action:

1- Appointment of new members,

- a- Jusu-Wai Sawi: Commission members were very content with the involvement that Mr. Sawi has with local African community through African Leadership Group. He will bring another voice to the commission.
- b- Binisha Shrestha: The Commission was very impressed with Ms. Shrestha's interview. Being a small business owner and serving local Nepalese community brings a vital asset to the team.

There will be still 3 open positions and AIRC & OIIA will diligently look for qualified applicants who could fill those open positions.

Thank you for your consideration and please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Aurora Immigrant And Refugee Commission

Applicant Package - Ward To Be Determined

Aurora Immigrant And Refugee Commission - Ward To Be Determined

Term:01 Feb 2022 - 31 Jan 2024

Positions Available: 4

Number of applicants in this package: 1

- Sawi, Jusu-Wai

Date Received: 09/06/2022

Registered Voter & Resident of Aurora

08/29/2022 Ward: 5 County: Arapahoe

Tristan Sheptock

Name: Sawi, Jusu-Wai

Address: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Board Name: Aurora Immigrant and Refugee Commission

Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

Home Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Work Phone Number : [REDACTED]

How long have you lived in Aurora?: 6

Are you registered to vote?: Yes

Years of Education Completed: 16

Degree(s) Received: MBA

College(s) Attended: University of Sierra Leone and Aspen University

Employer Name: Wells Fargo

Employer Address: 420 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA 94104

Current Position: Loan Closer

Years with Current Employer: 6

Work Experience: Been in banking for the last 6 years, started off as a teller, personal banker and now as loan closer within the mortgage department.

Certification(s): 1

How are you involved in your community?: My involvement in the community is through the "African Leadership Group" that supports the activities of immigrants and refugees in the Denver area. I serve on the health and wellness committee.

List your interests and activities.: I am very personate about helping new arrivals in our community to get integrated. Making them aware of their rights and responsibilities and opportunities.

Do you presently serve in any other appointed position on a board, commission or committee?: No

If yes, enter the board name and position: N/A

Are you currently a member and seeking reappointment on the board you are applying for?: No

Why do you desire this appointment?: I want to be more involved in my community and help as much as I can within the immigrant and refugee community.

How much time do you anticipate being able to spend on this appointment each month?: At least 20hrs per month

Do you have any conflicts of interest that should be disclosed?: No

If yes, please explain: N/A

Reference 1: Full Name, Phone Number and Address: Papa Dia, [REDACTED]

Reference 2: Full Name, Phone Number and Address: Abdul Pessima, [REDACTED]

Reference 3: Full Name, Phone Number and Address: Chuku King, [REDACTED]

How did you hear about us?:

Word of Mouth

By clicking APPLY and submitting this application, I certify that the forgoing information is true and correct: Jusu-Wai Sawi

Time of Submission: 09/03/22 10:26:29 AM

Attachments:

- Resume Jusu.pdf

JUSU-WAI MATTHEW SAWI



SUMMARY | Highly focused and dependable Home Closing Specialist with demonstrated knowledge of real estate settlement procedures and closing documentation requirements. Adept to handling multiple customer requests and concerns with the utmost professionalism and courtesy. Able to work well independently with little or no supervision or in coordination with other team members.

EXPERIENCE | **MORTGAGE CLOSING SPECIALIST WELLS FARGO**
JULY 2019 – PRESENT

Managing a pipeline of cleared to closed loans, prepare loan documentation for closing and reconciling closing figures with title companies.

PERSONAL BANKER/BUSINESS ADVOCATE WELLS FARGO
NOVEMBER 2017 – JULY 2019

Working with customers for their financial success.

LEAD TELLER WELLS FARGO
APRIL 2017 – NOVEMBER 2017

Working with a team of tellers to ensure positive customer experience and help resolve customer concerns.

TELLER WELLS FARGO
AUGUST 2016 – APRIL 2017

Focused on developing customer relationship and effectively managing a cash drawer.

CAREER RESOURCE SPECIALIST Work Opportunities Unlimited
March 2016 – July 2016

Assisted People with Physical and mental disability get into the job market

MANAGER CLC Bookstore
December 2005 – July 2014
Managed a total of four bookstores, ensuring that sales targets were being met.

EDUCATION | **UNIVERSITY OF SIERRA LEONE,**
B.SC.ED, 2002

ASPEN UNIVERSITY, COLORADO
MBA/PM, 2012

REFERENCES | **STEPHANIE BATES, BRANCH MANAGER**
WELLS FARGO SOUTHGLENN

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Ann Marie Gonzales, Loan administration Manager

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Aurora Immigrant And Refugee Commission

Applicant Package - Ward To Be Determined

Aurora Immigrant And Refugee Commission - Ward To Be Determined

Term:01 Feb 2022 - 31 Jan 2024

Positions Available: 4

Number of applicants in this package: 1

- Shrestha, Binisha

Date Received: 09/06/2022

Resident of Aurora Ward:5 County: Arapahoe

Tristen Sheptock

Name: Shrestha, Binisha

Address: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Board Name: Aurora Immigrant and Refugee Commission

Date of Birth: [REDACTED]

Home Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Work Phone Number : [REDACTED]

How long have you lived in Aurora?: 8

Are you registered to vote?: No

Years of Education Completed: 15

Degree(s) Received: Bachelors Degree

College(s) Attended: Arapahoe Community College

Employer Name: Yomari Meyju

Employer Address: 5371 S Dunkirk Way, Centennial, CO 80015

Current Position: Co - Founder

Years with Current Employer: 3

Work Experience: More than 15 years of work experience, working with the community and the people

Certification(s): Diploma in Multi media and graphic design,

How are you involved in your community?: I used to be cultural secretary with Rocky Mountain Friends of Nepal, which is one of the oldest organization of Nepalese in Colorado. I translate for Nepalese community now and then, whenever they need help to go to local government offices. I am also constantly trying to present our ethnicity, our culture among local people here, with the feeling that our voice be seen and heard.

List your interests and activities.: 1. Preserving arts and Heritages
2. Promoting culture and music
3. Create a separate identity of our own while promoting our own festivals, our own artists, localizing our products, handicrafts.

Do you presently serve in any other appointed position on a board, commission or committee?: No

If yes, enter the board name and position: I don't serve any other appointed position on a board or comm

Are you currently a member and seeking reappointment on the board you are applying for?: No

Why do you desire this appointment?: I desire this appointment in order to contribute my expertise in whatever way I can to be in the community, to show my presence, to show the diversity in our community. In today's time, accurate representation allows the targeted communities to feel, seen, heard, and understood — and enables them to trust the effort and personally identify with their cultural identity. Millennials have gained a reputation of diversity supporters, showing fairer understanding of race and ethnicity, tolerance, open-mindedness and multicultural thinking.

How much time do you anticipate being able to spend on this appointment each month?: 10

Do you have any conflicts of interest that should be disclosed?: No

If yes, please explain: none

Reference 1: Full Name, Phone Number and Address: Dr. Sangeeta Shrotriya : [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Reference 2: Full Name, Phone Number and Address: Kathryn Jung

[REDACTED]

Reference 3: Full Name, Phone Number and Address: Sabisha Shrestha

[REDACTED]

How did you hear about us?:

Word of Mouth, Other

By clicking APPLY and submitting this application, I certify that the forgoing information is true and correct: Binisha Shrestha

Time of Submission: 09/06/22 2:09:27 PM

Attachments:

- Binisha-Shrestha (1).pdf

Binisha Shrestha

I think I can, so I can

Aurora, CO



Authorized to work in the US for any employer

Work Experience

Band Manager

SUR SUDHA - Aurora, CO

October 2021 to Present

- Preparing proposals by determining concept, gathering and formatting information, writing drafts, and obtaining approvals.
- Assist band lead in making sound business and creative decisions.
- Help the band to secure record deals, ensuring that band members attend band practice sessions, and negotiate contracts on behalf of band.
- Determining proposal concept by identifying and clarifying opportunities and needs, studying requests for proposal (RFPs), and attending strategy meetings.
- Deciding the fund-raisers for the band to attend the event.
- Study and understand the history, structure, objectives, programs and financial needs of the organization.
- Research grant opportunities from government and non-government agencies.
- Draft grant proposals and supporting documents based on the funding requirements of the organization.
- Submit proposals to grant coordinators for approval.
- Respond to internal and external queries on drafted and submitted proposals.
- Maintain positive relationships with fund providers and other stakeholders.
- Maintain records and submit reports related to grant opportunities.

Cofounder

Yomari Meyju - Denver, CO

December 2020 to Present

- Raising funds and be knowledgeable about the product or service and its capabilities can help pitch effectively to potential investors.
- Responsible for the development of products, with a focus on strategic management and long-term growth.
- Reach out to the community whenever necessary.
- Build relationships with customers to communicate with them and offer suggestions for improvement
- A proven track record in delivering safety and quality, cost, delivery, as well as employee relations improvements.
- Implementing cost-effective operational strategies while still maintaining quality standards.

Research Assistant - Grant writer

Image Ark - Kathmandu, Nepal

March 2018 to May 2021

- Investigating the role of community art on mental health outcomes after the 2015 mega-earthquake in Nepal
- Visiting communities and interviewing them for research.
- Interviewing, logistics and making plans to support with data collection for this project
- Writing grants and doing methodological study to pull out grants for the project.

Event Assistant

Gulmohar Weddings - Richmond, VA

March 2013 to October 2015

- * Coordinated the schedule and timeline for all special events throughout the event and addressed wedding guests questions and concerns.
- * Awarded Certificate of Appreciation for being a Team Player - July 2015
- * Able to personally provide handwritten calligraphy for wedding invitations, cards, extra signs, etc.

Production Assistant

Image Ark Pvt. Ltd

February 2007 to January 2013

- Words of Peace International - a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization, created to promote and disseminate Prem Rawat's message of peace.
- Wrote scripts, developed concepts, transcribed, translated speech, finalized scripts from Basic editing using Final Cut Pro software.
- Assisted in marketing, planning and managing overall events and promotions, editing videos, transcribing and translation.
- Successfully assisted the Director of the documentary " Paper Orphans" during the entire making of the film.

Education

Certificate of Graphic Design in Multimedia, photoshop, illustrator, web design, animate cc, adobe indesign, Premiere Pro

Arapahoe Community College - Denver, CO

December 2017

Certificate in Professional Approach to Electronic Cinematography

Vikshi Institute of Media Studies - Pune, Maharashtra

2017

Certificate in Customer Relationship Management for SMEs

University of Maryland College Parks

2012

Bachelor's in Interior Design

Tribhuvan University - Kathmandu

Skills

- Video Editing
- Photography
- Adobe Photoshop
- Events Management
- Adobe Premiere
- Video Production
- Final Cut Pro

Languages

- Nepali - Expert
- English - Fluent
- Hindi - Fluent
- Newari - Fluent

Links



Certifications and Licenses

Web design for Usability

UX Designer from Scratch

Present

Groups

Cultural Secretary - Rocky Mountain Friends of Nepal

May 2015 to February 2019

Publications

A day in a life of a Delivery driver

<https://binishaw.medium.com/a-day-in-a-life-of-delivery-driver-in-kathmandu-6563004e7292>

My Journey of hearing loss

<https://binishaw.medium.com/my-journey-of-hearing-loss-5a696169cc16>

Five things I learned being a homepreneur

<https://binishaw.medium.com/5-things-i-learned-being-a-homepreneur-3206033ed22c>

Before returning for good

<https://binishaw.medium.com/before-returning-for-good-5d48a99552ab>

Additional Information

- Highlighted Skills -
- Highly organized, quick learner, skilled in office administration, attention to detail, with flexibility and adaptability
- Able to effectively communicate with strengths in data organization, proof reading, database management and word processing, accomplished at transposing large amounts of data with accuracy and speed. Can type 60 wpm.
- Strong customer focus and excellent interpersonal skills, able to work in a team or independently as needed.
- A very people's person and has a very high capacity to convince and motivate people.



CITY OF AURORA

Council Agenda Commentary

Item Title: ARPA Grant Programs Update
Item Initiator: Christina McClelland, Grant Development Manager
Staff Source/Legal Source: Christina McClelland, Grant Development Manager / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Outside Speaker: NA
Council Goal: 2012: 6.0--Provide a well-managed and financially strong City

COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

Study Session: 10/3/2022

Regular Meeting: N/A

ITEM DETAILS:

- Agenda long title: ARPA Grant Programs Update
- Waiver of reconsideration requested, and if so, why: N/A
- Sponsor name
- Staff source name and title / Legal source name and title: Nancy Wishmeyer, Controller; Elena Vasconez, Business & Economic Development Supervisor; Kendall Koca, Manager of Special Projects; Christina McClelland, Grant Development Manager / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney
- Estimated time: 15 mins
- Outside speaker name and organization: NA
- Estimated Presentation/discussion time for Study Session: 15 minutes

Christina McClelland, Grant Development Manager / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Estimated time: 15 mins

ACTIONS(S) PROPOSED *(Check all appropriate actions)*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Approve Item with Waiver of Reconsideration
Reason for waiver is described in the Item Details field. | |

PREVIOUS ACTIONS OR REVIEWS:

Policy Committee Name: N/A

Policy Committee Date: N/A

Action Taken/Follow-up: (Check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Forwarded Without Recommendation | <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation Report Attached |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Minutes Attached | <input type="checkbox"/> Minutes Not Available |

HISTORY (Dates reviewed by City council, Policy Committees, Boards and Commissions, or Staff. Summarize pertinent comments. ATTACH MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS, POLICY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.)

At the January 10, 2022 meeting, Council approved \$3 million in ARPA funding for a safety and security grant program. At the January 29, 2022 winter workshop, Council approved ARPA funding allocation of \$2.5 million for a small business grant program and \$2.5 million for a nonprofit grant program. At the Study Session on March 21, 2022, Council approved the criteria and approach presented by staff to utilize ARPA funds for the safety and security, small business, and nonprofit grant programs. At the Council meeting on May 23, 2022, Council increased total funding from \$3 million to \$4.5 million and individual amounts from \$10,000 to up to \$20,000 per grantee for the safety and security grant program.

ITEM SUMMARY (Brief description of item, discussion, key points, recommendations, etc.)

Of the \$65,424,806 in ARPA funding Aurora received, \$61,645,752 has been allocated and \$3,779,054 remains in reserve.

The small business grant program was available for applications from June 27 – July 15 via the CLA grants portal, created by ARPA consultant CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (CLA). The \$2.5 million allocated would support approximately 225 exiting businesses (pre-2020) and 50 post-pandemic startups with \$10,000 and \$5,000 grants respectively, on a first come first serve basis. To fund all of the eligible applications received, an additional \$700,000 is needed.

The safety and security grant program was open for applications from May 16 – 25 via the CLA grants portal. Applications were vetted for eligibility and then Aurora Police Department conducted safety and security assessments with applicants. Vetted and approved contractors have been assigned to install security items such as cameras, alarm systems, bullet-resistant window film, lighting, etc. To fund all of the eligible applications received, an additional \$700,000 is needed.

The ARPA Nonprofit Grant program was open for applications from June 27 – July 15, 2022 via the CLA grants portal. Staff offered virtual English and Spanish information sessions for potential applicants including the criteria scorecard used to evaluate applications, which were recorded and available online, along with a FAQ document.

The ARPA Nonprofit Grant program received 53 applications requesting \$6,398,531 in funding. Applications were received from a variety of nonprofits, including Health; Human Services; Education; Public, Societal Benefit; Religion Related; and Arts, Culture and Humanities (per NTEE code), requesting capital and program funds.

Applications were vetted for eligibility, good standing and risk level by CLA and then scored using the criteria scorecard by a staff committee with representatives from the following departments: Police, Housing and Community Services, Communications & Marketing, Finance, Planning, Library and Cultural Services, and Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

Attached is a list of applicants recommended for grant awards for Council consideration.

QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL

Does Council wish to approve an additional \$700,000 to fund all the eligible Small Business Grant Program approved applications?

Does Council wish to approve an additional \$700,000 to fund all of the eligible approved Safety and Security Grant Program applications?

Does Council wish to approve and direct staff to move forward with the recommended ARPA Nonprofit Grants?

LEGAL COMMENTS

In Pub. Law. 117-2, Subtitle M, Sec. 9901, (The American Rescue Act or “ARPA”) the US Congress allocated money to local government for various purposes. The Department of the Treasury issued Rule 2021-10283 discussing the lawfully permitted uses of the funds allocated by the US Congress. Council has discretion to provide the necessary funding for the programs or needs across the city that have been impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. The Council has found that providing funds for the selected non-profits fulfills these purposes. (Hernandez)

PUBLIC FINANCIAL IMPACT

YES NO

If yes, explain: Federal ARPA funds will be disbursed to eligible safety and security and small business applicants and recommended nonprofits.

PRIVATE FISCAL IMPACT

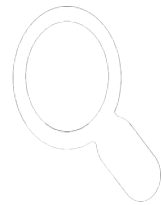
Not Applicable Significant Nominal

If Significant or Nominal, explain: Federal ARPA funds will be disbursed to eligible safety and security and small business applicants and recommended nonprofits.

Organization	NTEE	Recommended	Request Type	Project Description
Metro Community Provider Network, Inc. (dba STRIDE Community Health Center)	Health	250,000	Capital	Peoria Dental Clinic Renovation
Aurora Public Schools Foundation	Education	25,000	Program	The Educator Emporium free store for APS educators to shop brand new school supplies.
Rocky Mountain Welcome Center	Human Services	10,000	Program	Rocky Mountain Scholars reading instruction for immigrant/refugee students to reach and exceed grade level expectations.
Caring Voices	Unspecified	32,630	Capital	Completing addition with ADA Bathroom for organization supporting children and adults with intellectual disabilities.
Colorado Alliance for Health Equity and Practice	Health	50,000	Program	Infrastructure for mobile health and wellness services for underserved communities in Aurora.
Mi Casa Resource Center	Human Services	152,905	Program	Business Pathways, a program offering ongoing services to meet the needs of small business owners with a focus on women, minorities, and low-income clients.
RISE Colorado	Education	175,000	Program	Community Navigators connect Aurora community in their native language to education, health, food and housing resources. Four therapists hosting monthly group sessions in the community's native language to teach Family Leader and Student Leaders mental health and wellness tools.
East Colfax Community Collective	Human Services	313,598	Program	North West Aurora Multilingual Legal Services and Navigation Program providing legal clinic for residents and small businesses.
Rocky Mountain Youth Medical and Nursing Consultants LLC	Health	75,000	Program	Utilization of virtual medical scribes in Aurora Clinic as an effective tool to help reduce the immediate and long-term impact of COVID-19 on clinician well-being and patient satisfaction.
A Little Help	Human Services	85,000	Program	Funding will support ALH's outreach efforts to older adults, volunteers, and community partners throughout Aurora to support aging in place.
New American College	Education	10,000	Program	Scholarship fund to provide needs-based full or partial tuition scholarships to Aurora residents to attend New America College for English language learning.
Brothers Redevelopment, Inc.	Human Services	30,000	Program	BRI Home Modifications and Paint-A-Thon Vehicle to support home exterior painting, minor home repairs, and yard cleanup/maintenance for low-income senior and disabled adult homeowners.
Mosaic Unlimited, Inc	Public, Society Benefit	188,300	Program	Community Violence Prevention Initiatives including Safe Haven, Strengthening Families and Fatherhood Support Programs.

Tigray-Ethiopian Community Association in Colorado	Arts, Culture, and Humanities	250,000	Capital	Community Building Project, including 4 retail store fronts for business incubation and business training; a full gym and flex space for our youth engagement; classrooms for our cultural and language classes; and a full event space on the second floor to be used for performances, community event space, conferences and more.
African Chamber of Commerce Colorado USA	Human Services	75,000	Program	ACCCOUSA Technical Assistance Program to help start-ups and existing businesses continue their path to recovery and growth.
Aurora Community Connection	Human Services	40,000	Program	Funding for youth physical exercise classes, including Baile Folklorico and Martial Arts.
You be You Early Learning	Education	85,000	Program	Peoria Crossing Mobile Preschool
Boys Hope Girls Hope of Colorado	Education	50,000	Program	Aurora Central High School Academy - BHGHCO staff provide academic support and character development opportunities outside of normal school-day for youth (ages 14-18) growing up in poverty who attend Aurora Central High School. Professionally trained staff, community volunteers, tutors, and mentors provide scholars with personalized academic, college-preparation, and social emotional support.
Aurora Interchurch Task Force Inc	Human Services	200,000	Program	Expanded food assistance through brick and mortar and mobile food pantries and community navigation services to help participants access community and governmental resources to achieve their goals.
Dedicated to Aurora's Wellness and Needs (dba DAWN)	Health	227,567	Program	Infrastructure and Specialty Care Improvement - DAWN will hire consultants to bring the subject matter expertise needed to help build out standard operations as well as to purchase medical equipment, primarily diagnostic.
Community Enterprise Development Services	Public, Society Benefit	50,000	Capital	Office and Training Room Buildout including conference room, training space, kitchen and workspaces.
Downtown Aurora Visual Arts	Arts, Culture, and Humanities	25,000	Capital	DAVA Community Art Center HVAC Repair and Boiler Replacement
Issues of Life Church Ministries Aurora	Religion Related	100,000	Program	Provide Community Life Services such as tutoring for grades 2-8, food bags, gas, rent, utility assistance, job search assistance as well as computer classes. Provide Youth Services programs during the summer months.
	TOTAL	2,500,000		

ARPA Grant Programs Update



City of Aurora
Finance Department

ARPA Grant Programs Update

- ARPA Funding Current Status
- Small Business Grant Program Update
- Safety and Security Grant Program Update
- Nonprofit Grant Recommendations



ARPA Funding Current Status

Amount previously allocated	\$61,645,752
Amount in reserve	<u>\$ 3,779,054</u>
Total amount received from Feds	\$65,424,806
Approx amount spent 9.30.22	\$10,500,000
Approx amount encumbered 9.30.22	\$ 2,220,000



Small Business Grant Program

- On January 31, 2021, City Council passed a resolution creating the Small Business Grant program with \$ 2.5 million of ARPA funds.
- Program launched on June 27 and closed July 15.
- Funding to support approximately 225 exiting businesses (pre-2020) and 50 post-pandemic startups
- Grant: \$5,000 for post-pandemic startups
\$10,000 for existing businesses



Small Business Grant Program

- **Eligibility:**
 - First come, first served basis
 - Net revenue of less than \$350,000
 - Gross sales less than \$5M
 - Post-pandemic startups: at least 6 months in business starting after January 1, 2020
 - Existing: In business before January 2020
 - Demonstrate business was impacted by Pandemic and is recovering



Small Business Grant Program

- Update:
 - 320 applications have been completed and screened
 - 77 applications have been reviewed for payment
 - 39% female-owned businesses
 - 62% minority-owned
 - To date \$520,000 disbursed
 - Applications are from small businesses across the City
 - Funding will be approved by the end of 2022




Question for Council

- Does Council wish to approve an additional \$700,000 to fund all the eligible Small Business Grant Program approved applications?



Safety and Security Grant Program

Assigned Work Orders to Contractors				
	Total \$\$ Assigned	Colfax	# of projects	Current Av/project
Pinnacle Brands	\$307,007	\$79,781	22	
Servitech	\$504,894	\$148,219	39	
Adolfson & Peterson	\$970,571	\$147,441	66	
Stanley	\$101,849	\$0	7	
NJT Security	\$256,703	\$37,361	17	
Pinkard Const.	\$345,814	\$123,557	20	
DJB Installations	\$249,226	\$103,712	14	
<i>Unassigned (18)</i>	\$279,522			
Sub total	\$3,015,586	\$640,071	203	\$15,598
5% contingency	\$150,779	\$32,004		
Total	\$3,166,365	\$672,075		
Total Project Allocation:	\$4,500,000		Projects in the cue waiting for funding:	111
Less Project Costs:	\$3,166,365		Average project cost	\$15,598
Less possible permits:	\$300,000		Amount needed	\$1,731,362
Total Balance Left:	\$1,033,635		Less balance remaining	\$1,033,635
Total funds requested to fund remaining eligible projects:				\$697,728



Question for Council

- Does Council wish to approve an additional \$700,000 to fund all of the eligible approved Safety and Security Grant Program applications?



Nonprofit Grant Program Overview

- \$2.5 million in funding to nonprofits that serve the Aurora community for one-time capital or programmatic expenses.
- One application per organization.
- If awarded, as sub-recipients, nonprofits will be expected to follow uniform guidance.
- Nonprofits with 501(c)(3) status must have an Aurora business license.



Nonprofit Grant Program Overview

- Review Criteria:
 - Community need, benefits and equity
 - Financial feasibility and capacity
 - Organizational capacity
 - Ability to leverage funds from various sources
 - Previous performance
 - Project readiness



Application Components & Timeline

- Application Form via CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (CLA) Portal
- Attachments
 - Project Budget and Budget Narrative
 - Organizational Operating Budget
 - Proof of IRS federal tax-exempt status
 - Certificate of Good Standing from Colorado Secretary of State's Office (if applicable)
 - Most Recent Audit unless exempt
 - Board Roster
 - W-9
 - Certificate of Insurance and Liability Coverage
 - Financial Management Questionnaire
- Timeline
 - Applications Open: June 27, 2022
 - Virtual Information Sessions: English (June 29), Spanish (June 30)
 - Applications Due: July 15, 2022 by 5:00 PM



Communications (as part of ARPA Grants)

- Social Media
- City Newsletters
- Website: <https://auroragov.org/arpagrants>
- Targeted emails
- Media outreach
- Translated collateral materials
- Targeted postcard mailing



Applications Received & Review Process

- 53 applications received requesting \$6,398,531
- Review Process
 - CLA – Vetting of applicant eligibility, good standing and initial risk level
 - Multi-department Review Committee evaluation using criteria scorecard
 - CLA – Final vetting of applicant risk level



Recommendations

- 23 organizations recommended for ARPA Nonprofit Funding per attached spreadsheet
- 5 Capital, 18 Program
- Organization Types (NTEE-code based):
 - Health: 4
 - Human Services: 8
 - Education: 5
 - Public, Society Benefit: 2
 - Religion Related: 1
 - Arts, Culture and Humanities: 2
 - Unspecified/Unknown: 1



Recommendations

- Metro Community Provider Network, Inc. (dba STRIDE Community Health Center), 250,000
- Aurora Public Schools Foundation, 25,000
- Rocky Mountain Welcome Center, 10,000
- Caring Voices, 32,630
- Colorado Alliance for Health Equity and Practice, 50,000
- Mi Casa Resource Center, 152,905
- RISE Colorado, 175,000
- East Colfax Community Collective, 313,598
- Rocky Mountain Youth Medical and Nursing Consultants LLC, 75,000
- A Little Help, 85,000
- New American College, 10,000



Recommendations

- Brothers Redevelopment, Inc., 30,000
- Mosaic Unlimited, Inc, 188,300
- Tigray-Ethiopian Community Association in Colorado, 250,000
- African Chamber of Commerce Colorado USA, 75,000
- Aurora Community Connection, 40,000
- You be You Early Learning, 85,000
- Boys Hope Girls Hope of Colorado, 50,000
- Aurora Interchurch Task Force Inc, 200,000
- Dedicated to Aurora's Wellness and Needs (dba DAWN), 227,567
- Community Enterprise Development Services, 50,000
- Downtown Aurora Visual Arts, 25,000
- Issues of Life Church Ministries Aurora, 100,000



Question for Council

- Does Council wish to approve and direct staff to move forward with the recommended ARPA Nonprofit Grants?





CITY OF AURORA

Council Agenda Commentary

Item Title: AmeriCorps Presentation
Item Initiator: Françoise Bergan, Mayor Pro Tem
Staff Source/Legal Source: Jim Twombly, City Manager / Dan Brotzman, City Attorney
Outside Speaker: Heather Dirck, Community Relations Specialist, AmeriCorps NCCC – Southwest Region
Council Goal: 2012: 1.0--Assure a safe community for people

COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

Study Session: 10/3/2022

Regular Meeting: N/A

ITEM DETAILS:

- Agenda long title
- Waiver of reconsideration requested, and if so, why
- Sponsor name
- Staff source name and title / Legal source name and title
- Outside speaker name and organization
- Estimated Presentation/discussion time for Study Session

Sponsor: Françoise Bergan, Mayor Pro Tem

Jim Twombly, City Manager / Dan Brotzman, City Attorney

Outside Speaker: Heather Dirck, Community Relations Specialist, AmeriCorps NCCC – Southwest Region

Estimated time: 30 mins

ACTIONS(S) PROPOSED *(Check all appropriate actions)*

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PREVIOUS ACTIONS OR REVIEWS:

Policy Committee Name: N/A

Policy Committee Date: N/A

Action Taken/Follow-up: (Check all that apply)

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HISTORY (Dates reviewed by City council, Policy Committees, Boards and Commissions, or Staff. Summarize pertinent comments. ATTACH MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS, POLICY COMMITTEES AND BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.)

N/A

ITEM SUMMARY (Brief description of item, discussion, key points, recommendations, etc.)

The agency’s mission is “to improve lives”, strengthen communities and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering. AmeriCorps has an office in Aurora and will present on their various volunteer programs for ages 18-24. Additional discuss ways to partner with their organization.

QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL

Information only.

LEGAL COMMENTS

Article III, Section 8 of the City Charter of the City of Aurora, Colorado, authorizes City Council to “prescribe rules of procedure to govern meetings. A City Council member may to place items on the Study Session and Regular/Special Meeting agendas. Each such item shall indicate the party requesting the item. (Rules of Order and Procedure for the Aurora City Council, B.2.) (Bajorek)

PUBLIC FINANCIAL IMPACT

- YES NO

If yes, explain: Type explanation here or enter N/A if no public financial impact.

PRIVATE FISCAL IMPACT

- Not Applicable Significant Nominal

If Significant or Nominal, explain: Type explanation here or enter N/A if no private fiscal impact.



AmeriCorps

National Civilian Community Corps

Strengthening Communities and Developing Leaders since 1994





What is AmeriCorps?

We are the only federal agency for **community service and volunteerism** within the United States.

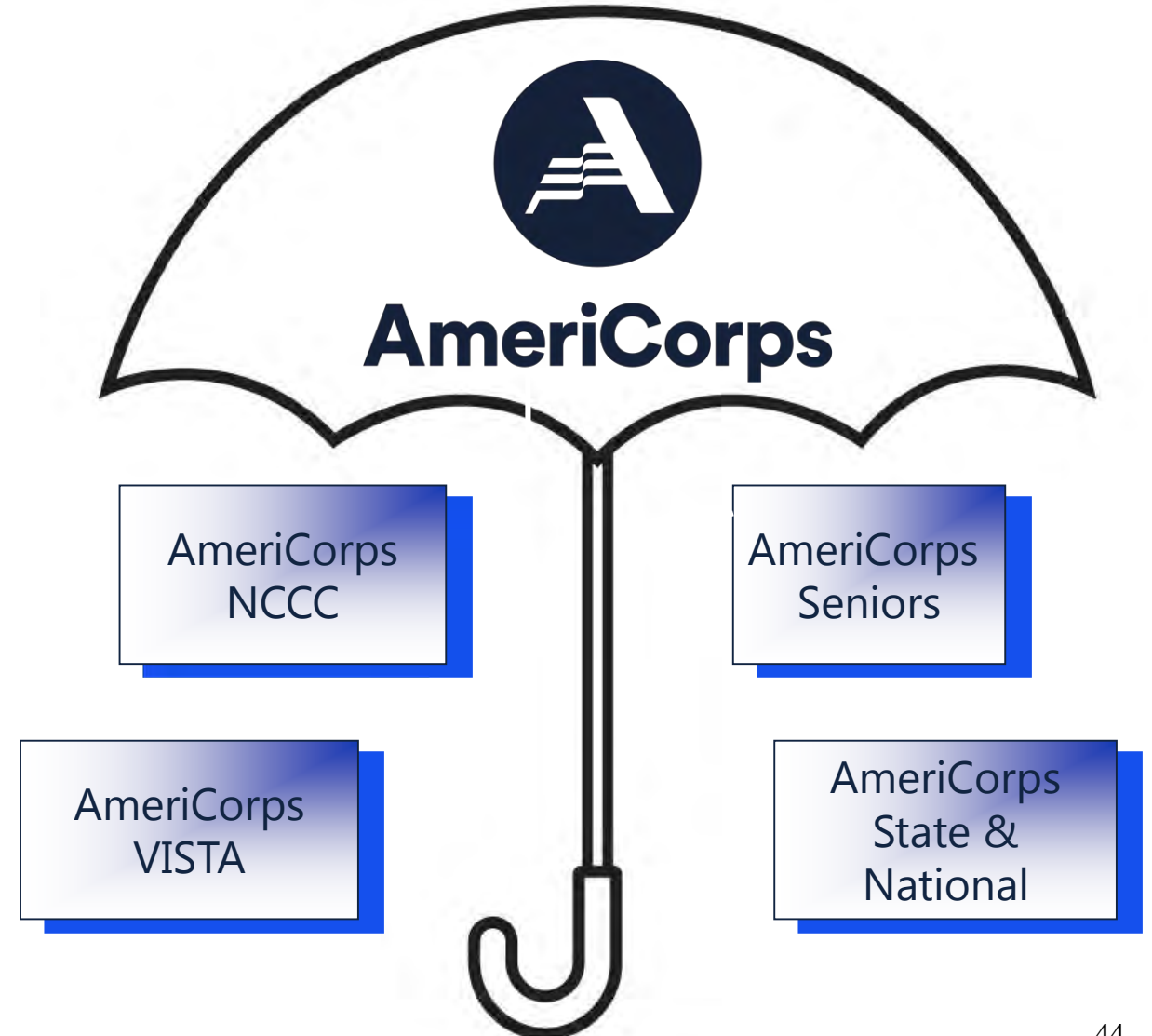
- Make **service to others** an indispensable part of the American experience
- Send **people power and funding** to communities across the country
- **Bridge divides** by bringing people together: connecting individuals and organizations to help communities **tackle their toughest challenges**.

Every year, we enroll more than **250,000 individuals** to serve organizations making a difference in communities across America.

Many different kinds of programs are run by AmeriCorps.

For more information on these programs:

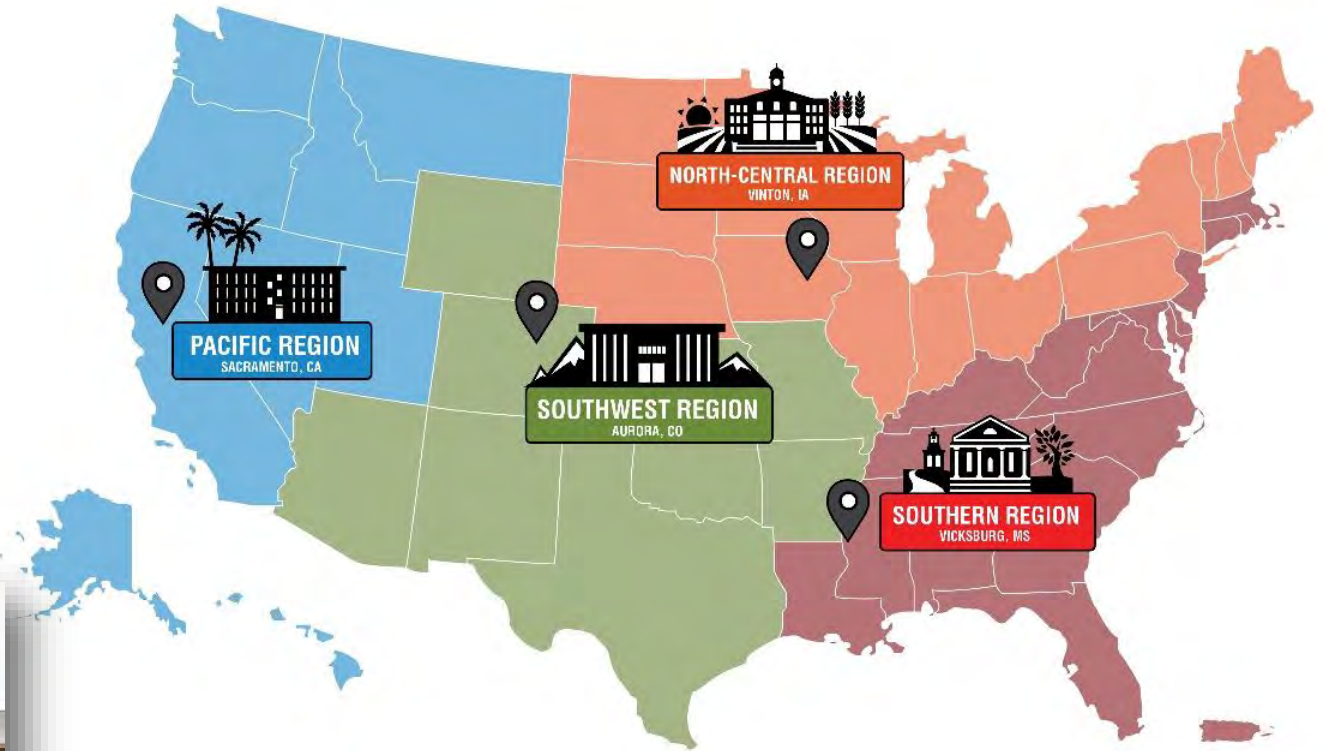
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AmeriCorps NCCC Basics



- NCCC = National Civilian Community Corps
- Two-pronged mission:
 - Strengthen Communities
 - Develop Leaders
- Members are 18-26 years old
- Team Leaders = often 21+, no upper age limit
- 10-12 months, full-time
- Team-based
- Training/transition on one of four campuses
- Travel to 3-6 different service projects



Previous Class Example - Video

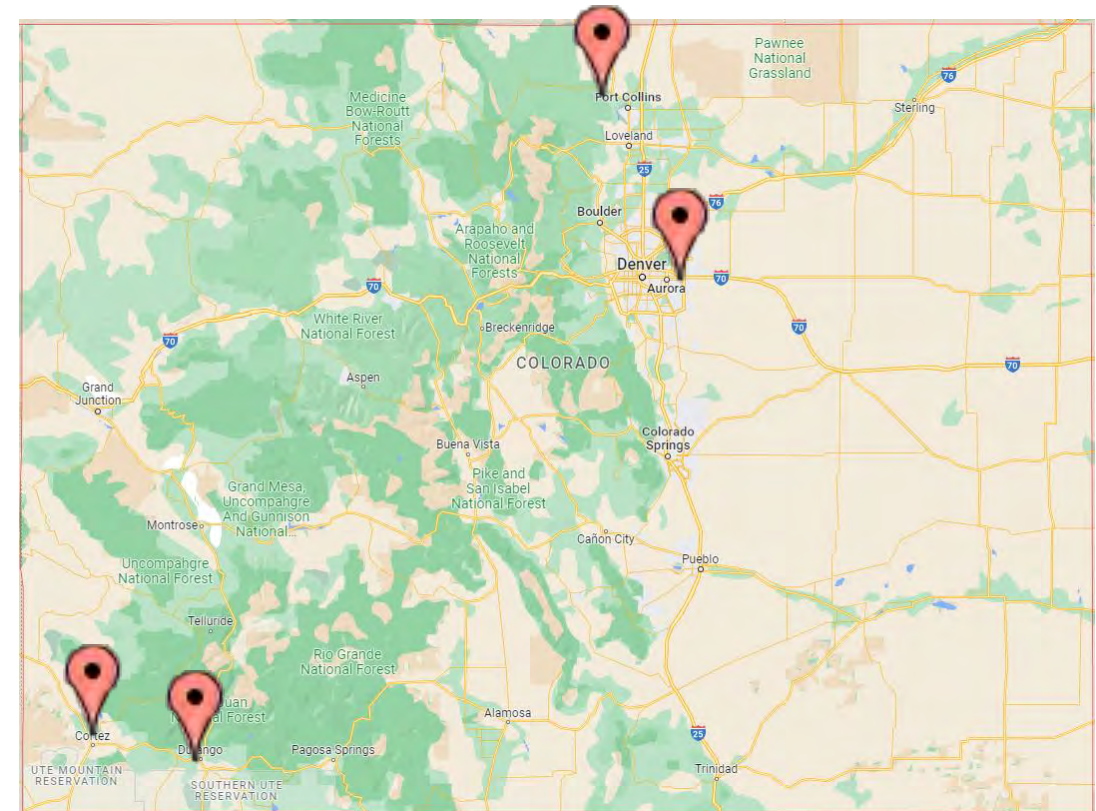


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AmeriCorps NCCC in Colorado: May-August 2022



- Bellvue: **Arapahoe and Roosevelt National Forest** – *Summer of Service team*
 - Reducing ongoing impacts following the Cameron Peak fire
 - Removing debris from post-fire flooding in Cache la Poudre River
 - Installing erosion/sedimentation control measures in severely burned areas
- Cortez: **Montezuma Orchard Restoration Project**
 - Preserving Colorado's fruit growing heritage and restore an orchard culture and economy to the southwestern region
- Durango: **Habitat for Humanity of La Plata County**
 - Helping construct affordable housing



AmeriCorps NCCC in Aurora: August 1-5, 2022



One team supported the newly-resettled immigrant and refugee community in northwest Aurora.

- 12 members
- 1,500 pounds of food and personal items distributed
- 73 pounds of food harvested
- Helped to maintain the organization's urban farm



Village
Exchange
Center

- Began as a concept in late 2016
- St. Matthew Lutheran Church considered ways to be responsive to and serve its diversifying neighborhood and the City of Aurora.
- <https://villageexchangecenter.org/>

AmeriCorps NCCC: Happening Now!



- **Team Leader Training:** Sept. 12 – Oct. 10, 2022
- **Member Arrival:** Oct. 11, 2022
- **Member Training:** Oct. 12 – Nov. 3, 2022
- **Induction Ceremony:** Nov. 4, 2022 @ 9:00 a.m.
- **Round 1 Deployment:** Nov. 5, 2022
- **Round 1 Ends:** Dec. 20, 2022



AmeriCorps NCCC Programs



Traditional

- Approx. 10 months
- 3-5 projects
- Serve with a variety of organizations doing a variety of tasks



FEMA Corps

- 12 months
- 3-5 projects
- Serve with FEMA on disaster preparation, response, and recovery



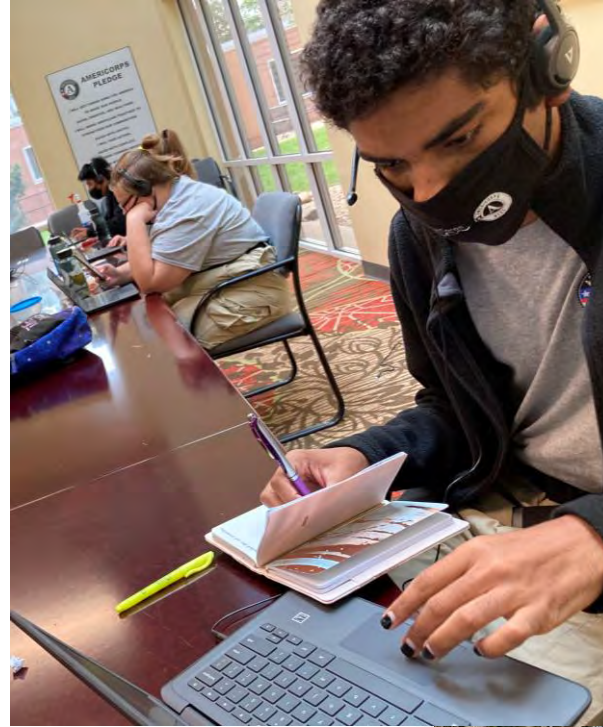
Summer of Service

- June 13 – August 16, 2022
- 1 project
- Serve on a project helping the environment or recovery from natural disaster
- \$1,300 cash award instead of \$6,895 education award



The Benefits

- Education award: \$6,895
- Lodging & Food
- Transportation
- Health Benefits
- Living Stipend
- Training
- RESUME BUILDING
- Employers of National Service
- Federal Student Loan Forbearance
- It's an amazing adventure in service!!



Eligibility



- Any U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or lawful permanent resident between ages 18-24
- Graduation from high school or GED is not a requirement
- **In order to set members up for success in NCCC, applicants should be:**
 - Drug-free and submit to a criminal background check (prior offenses are not automatic backgrounds are examined on a case-by-case basis)
 - High functioning and mature
 - Highly motivated and committed
 - Team oriented
 - Able to follow instructions and function in a peer-led environment
 - Flexible - able to adapt to new and changing work environments, assignments, and other conditions
 - Leaders/leadership potential
 - Youth who understand NCCC rigors and commitment
 - Respectful of diversity

How to Apply



- Apply online!
- <http://my.americorps.gov>
- 3 steps:
 - fill out a profile
 - create an application
 - submit the application to our program



- There is a step-by-step visual guide available through the AmeriCorps NCCC website
- Application questions: ANCCC@cns.gov

Member Application Deadlines



Term:	Position:	Apply:	Serve:
Fall	Corps Member	Mar 1 to June 30	Oct to July
Fall	Team Leader	Feb 1 to May 31	Sept to July
Winter	Corps Member	July 1 to Oct 31	Feb to Nov
Winter	Team Leader	June 1 to Sept 30	Jan to Nov
Winter FEMA	TL & CM	August 1 to Nov 30	Mar to Mar
Summer of Service	Corps Member	Deadline March 31	June 13 – Aug 16, 2022
Summer	Corps Member	Dec 1 to April 30	July to April
Summer	Team Leader	Nov 1 to March 31	June to April
Summer FEMA	Corps Member	Dec 1 to April 30	July to July
Summer FEMA	Team Leader	Dec 1 to March 31	July to July



Project Sponsor Requirements



- Provide **on-site support** including technical oversight, training, **supplies, equipment**, and a minimum of 20 hours of supervision per week
- Secure **housing for the team** for the duration of the project to include a bathroom, kitchen, sleeping quarters, separate quarantine quarters, and parking for one 15-passenger van
 - Housing examples include churches, community centers, vacant apartments or houses, college dorms, park cabins, and military facilities
- Lend service-learning support to **help the team understand the community's needs** and the organization's work
- **Meet the NCCC project criteria** necessary to be awarded a team; there are additional considerations that make an application more competitive



Project Application Timeline



Service Dates	Concept Form Deadline	Application Deadline	Award Notification
Nov 5 – Dec 17, 2022	July 1, 2022	August 26, 2022	Week of Sept 26, 2022
Jan 9 – April 6, 2023	Sept 9, 2022	Oct 28, 2022	Week of Nov 28, 2022
April 15 – July 14, 2023	Dec 16, 2022	Feb 3, 2023	Week of Mar 6, 2023

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- Hover over “Grantees & Sponsors” at top
- Click on “NCCC Project Sponsors”
- Contact Southwest Region office – we serve CO



Q&A and Brainstorm

- Organizations we could explore supporting?
- Issue areas we should research supporting?
- Local young adults who may want to serve with us?





CITY OF AURORA

Council Agenda Commentary

Item Title: Aurora Sister Cities Relationship with City of Ilopango, El Salvador (Resolution)
Item Initiator: Minsoo Song
Staff Source/Legal Source: Ricardo Gambetta, Manager of Office of International and Immigrant Affairs / Kimberly Skaggs, Assistant City Attorney
Outside Speaker: Karlyn Shorb, Executive Director, Aurora Sister Cities International & Salvador Cazun, Chair, El Salvador Sister City Committee
Council Goal: 2012: 4.4--Strengthen and build effective partnerships with the city's diverse community; and celebrate and appreciate diversity

COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

Study Session: 9/19/2022

Regular Meeting: N/A

ITEM DETAILS:

Sponsor: Juan Marcano, Council Member

Ricardo Gambetta, Manager of Office of International and Immigrant Affairs / Kimberly Skaggs, Assistant City Attorney

Outside Speaker: Karlyn Shorb, Executive Director, Aurora Sister Cities International & Salvador Cazun, Chair, El Salvador Sister City Committee

Estimated time: 35 mins

ACTIONS(S) PROPOSED *(Check all appropriate actions)*

- Approve Item and Move Forward to Study Session
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- Approve Item with Waiver of Reconsideration
Reason for waiver is described in the Item Details field.
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- Approve Item as proposed at Regular Meeting

PREVIOUS ACTIONS OR REVIEWS:

Policy Committee Name: N/A

Policy Committee Date: N/A

Action Taken/Follow-up: (Check all that apply)

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N/A

ITEM SUMMARY (Brief description of item, discussion, key points, recommendations, etc.)

Aurora Sister Cities International (ASCI) is a nonprofit independent organization based in Aurora, Colorado. In 2015 under the leadership of late mayor Steve Hogan, the city council approved the establishment of a Professional Service Agreement (PSA) between the city of Aurora and ASCI. Under the current PSA, the Office of International and Immigrant Affairs serves as an official liaison between the city of Aurora and ASCI.

ASCI mission is to promote local and global partnerships centered on cultural, educational and best practices exchange, cultivating a network of community ambassadors who champion peace and prosperity around the world.

ASCI currently have active relationships with the cities of Seongnam, South Korea and Adama, Ethiopia. In addition, ASCI has non active relationships with the cities of Jaco, Costa Rica, Zielona Gora, Poland and Antiguo Cuscatlan, El Salvador (Friendship city).

ASCI would like to propose the establishment of a new sister cities relationship with Ilopango, El Salvador. The city of Ilopango is located just 15 minutes from downtown San Salvador, the capital city of El Salvador. Ilopango has a total population of 135,703 (2021) and the city has a regional Airport as well.

El Salvador is in the process of making important changes in the areas of the economy, international trade, security among others. The new leadership in the country is pro-business/pro-trade and the official currency is U.S. Dollars. There are some shared learning opportunities and great potential for both cities in the areas of youth exchanges, tourism, international trade & business, education, etc.

There is a strong relationship and ties between Aurora and El Salvador thanks to the efforts of the Office of International and Immigrant Affairs(OIIA) and local Salvadoran organizations. The best example of these joint efforts is the opening of the Consulate of El Salvador, our first diplomatic post in the city. In addition, the last three mayors of Aurora have traveled leading business delegations to El Salvador. All these efforts show a long-term and long-lasting commitment to fostering trade and business relations between Aurora and El Salvador.

QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL

Does the council wish to support the establishmet of sister city relationship with City of Ilopango, El Salvador?

LEGAL COMMENTS

The council may, by resolution, enter into contracts or agreements with other governmental units or special districts for the joint use of buildings, equipment or facilities, and for furnishing or receiving commodities or services. (City Charter Art. 10-12.) Upon authorization by a majority vote of the members of council voting thereon, the mayor shall execute all intergovernmental agreements to which the City is a party. (City Code Sec. 2-31(b)(2).) City Council has the authority to provide for the safety, preserve the health, promote the prosperity, and improve the morals, order, comfort and convenience of the city and its inhabitants. (City Code Sec. 2-32.) (Skaggs)

PUBLIC FINANCIAL IMPACT

YES NO

If yes, explain: N/A

PRIVATE FISCAL IMPACT

Not Applicable Significant Nominal

If Significant or Nominal, explain: N/A

INTRODUCTIONS

Karlyn K. Shorb, CEO, Aurora Sister Cities International

Salvador Cazun, Chair, El Salvador Sister City Committee



CITY OF ILOPANGO

San Salvador, El Salvador



AURORA COLORADO
**SISTER
CITIES**
INTERNATIONAL

ILOPANGO DEMOGRAPHICS

- Located just 15 minutes from downtown San Salvador, the capital city of El Salvador.
- Ilopango is one of the most developed cities in El Salvador.
- El Salvador is divided in 14 Departments (similar to counties). Ilopango is part of the department of San Salvador which has the largest population and is the same department as the capital city.
- Population in 2021: 135,703
- Altitude: between 442 and 672 MSL

ILOPANGO DEMOGRAPHICS

- There are only 2 airports in El Salvador. The International Airport, located around 40 minutes from San Salvador in the Department of La Paz, and a Local Airport located in Ilopango.
- Ilopango Lake is one of the most beautiful lakes in the country.

KNOWING ILOPANGO



WHY A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP IN ES?

ASCI'S MISSION

- Aurora Sister Cities International promotes local and global partnerships centered on cultural, educational and best practices exchange, cultivating a network of community ambassadors who champion peace and prosperity around the world.



BENEFITS OF COMMERCIAL TIES

- El Salvador is a small country but has a lot of potential:
 - The currency is U.S. Dollars;
 - Large population in the U.S. sends money to ES which supports economies of both countries;
 - The new leadership in ES is pro-business/pro-trade;
 - Many English/Spanish dual-language speakers;
 - Unexplored opportunities in ES.

UNEXPLORED OPPORTUNITIES IN ES

- SURFING: ES has some of the top-ranked surfing beaches in the world.
- Flights are only 5 hours flight to ES. Unfortunately, there is no direct flight to ES but we are working on making it possible.
- There are a lot of opportunities for customer service industries, like tourism, textile, coffee farming, etc.

SHARED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

- Youth exchange
- Best practices exchange
 1. Ilopango's leadership is committed to advancing the quality of life and quality of city services to its population, they have much to learn from CoA but we also have much to learn from them.
 - a. Crypto currency for city services.

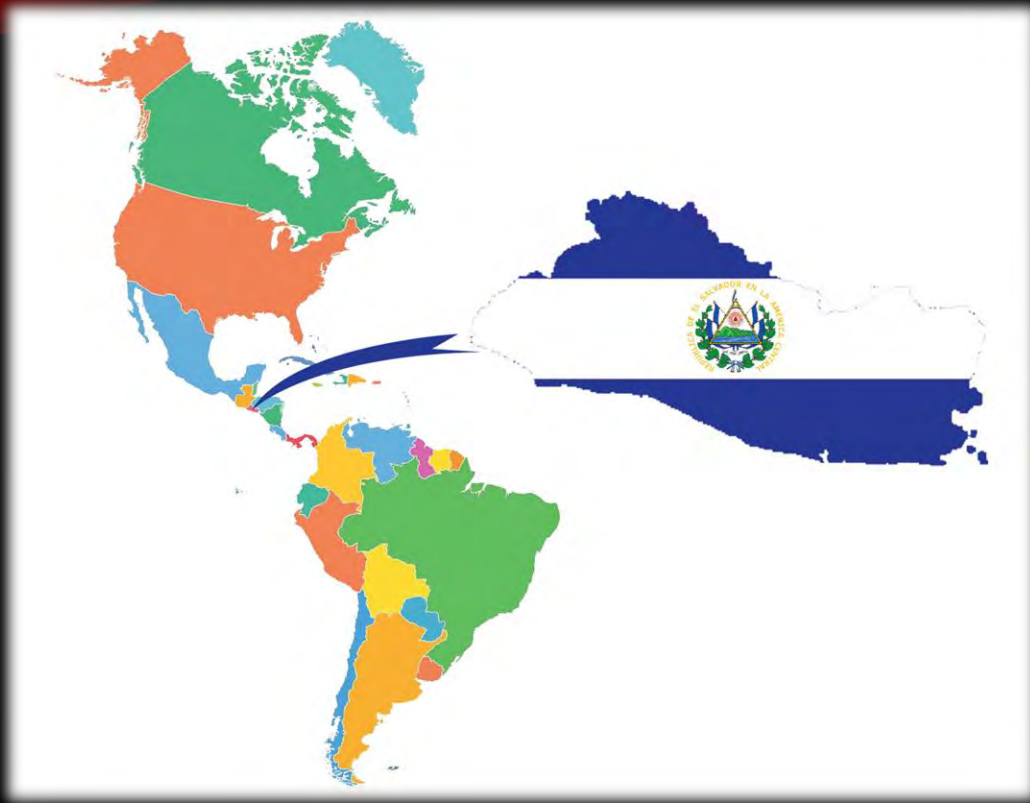
SHARED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

2. Ilopango's current interests are:

- a. Develop a Financial and Economic Center.
- b. Increase tourism development in Ilopango Lake.
- c. Create a Central-American Technological (IT) Center.
- d. Infrastructure development.

AURORA'S MAYOR AND SALVADORAN COMMUNITY

- The last 3 mayors of Aurora have traveled to ES and that shows a long-term and long-lasting commitment to fostering international relations between Aurora and ES.
- There are around 5 Salvadoran non-profit organizations that have worked closely with the City of Aurora through the OIA for more than 7 years.



MAP LOCATION

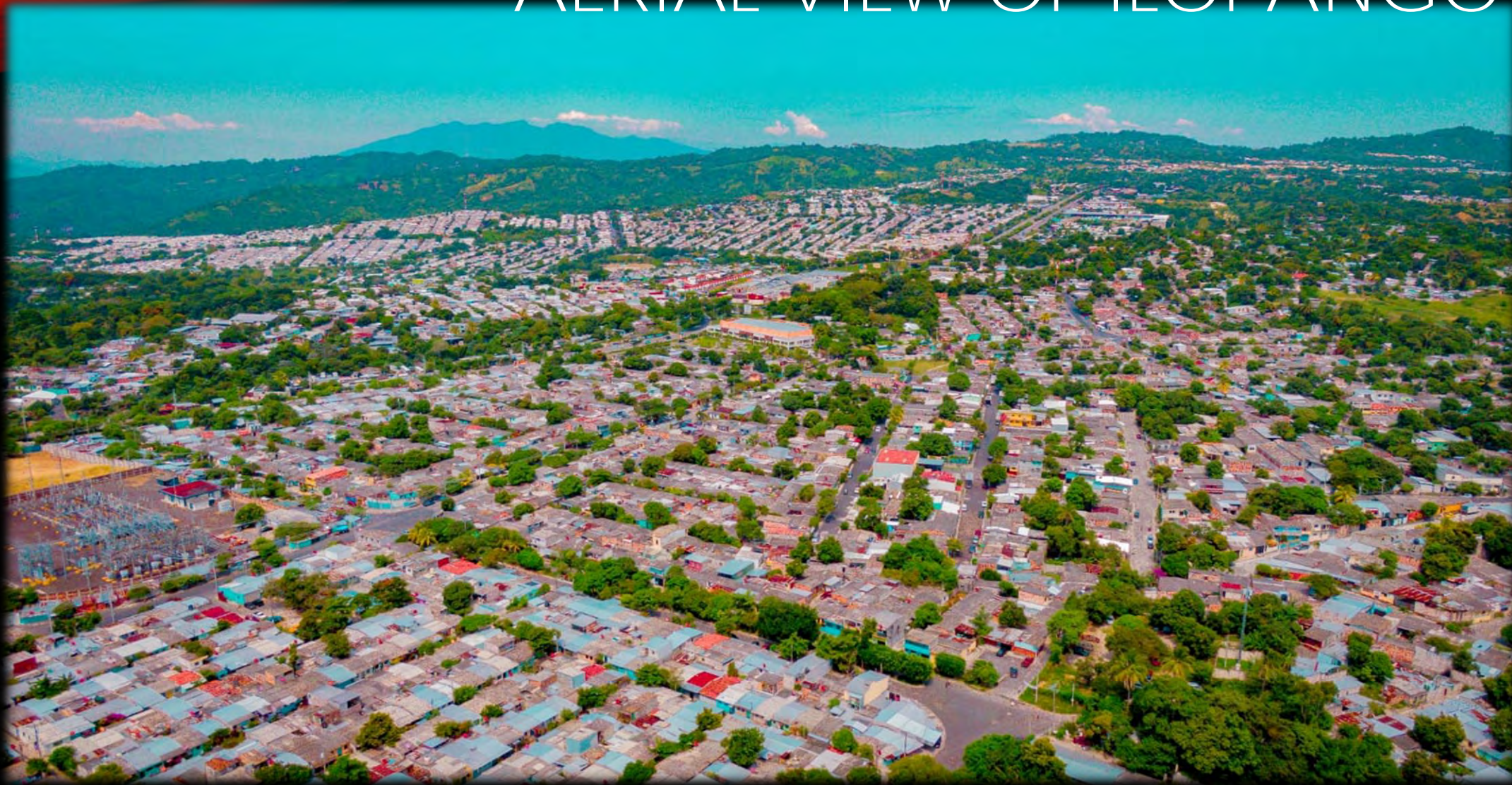


Ubicación de Ilopingo

ILOPANGO'S CITY HALL



AERIAL VIEW OF ILOPANGO



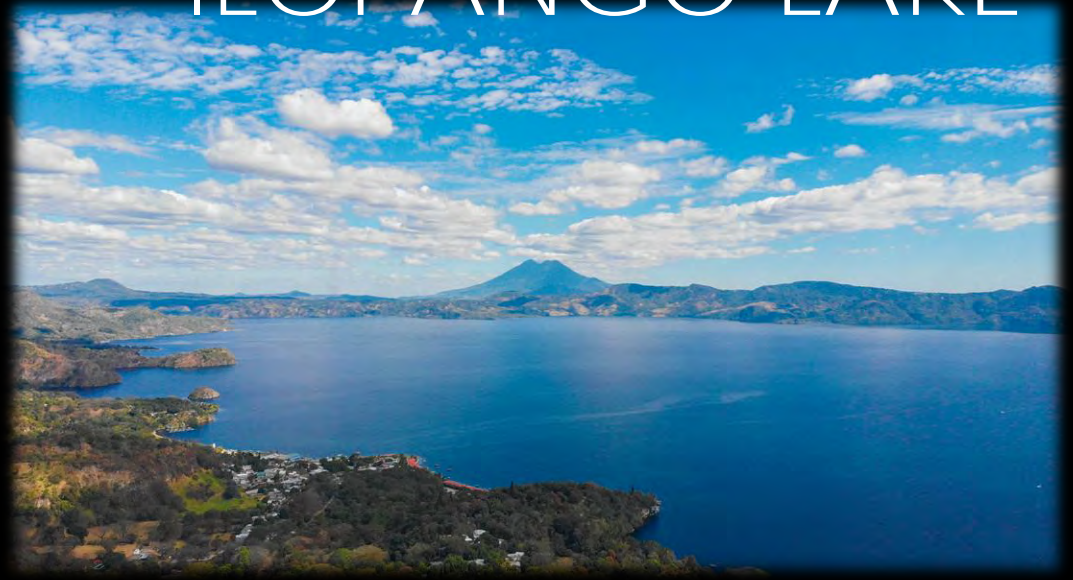


AIRPORT

The only local airport in the entire country is located in Iloilo.



ILOPANGO LAKE





YOUTH RECREATION



SUPPORTING LOCAL ENTREPRENEURS



MAYOR'S SALUTE



RESOLUTION NO. R2022- ____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, EXPRESSING ITS SUPPORT OF NEGOTIATING A SISTER CITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AURORA AND THE CITY OF ILOPANGO, EL SALVADOR.

WHEREAS, Aurora Sister Cities International (ASCI) is a nonprofit independent organization based in Aurora and ASCI's mission is to promote local and global partnerships centered on cultural and educational exchanges; and

WHEREAS, there is a strong relationship and ties between Aurora and El Salvador thanks to the efforts of the Office of International and Immigrant Affairs and local Salvadoran organizations; and

WHEREAS, Aurora hosts the Consulate General of El Salvador in Aurora, our first international diplomatic post in the city; and

WHEREAS, El Salvador is in the process of making important changes in the areas of the economy, international trade, and security, among others; and

WHEREAS, the city of Ilopango, El Salvador, with a total population of 136,000 people, is located just 20 minutes from the capital city of San Salvador and has a regional airport and a vibrant industrial area; and

WHEREAS, there are shared learning opportunities and great potential for both cities in the areas of youth exchanges, tourism, sports, education and business, and ASCI has recommended the establishment of a sister city relationship with city of Ilopango, El Salvador.

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

Section 1. The Aurora Sister Cities Board is authorized and directed to initiate negotiations with the city of Ilopango, El Salvador, for the purpose of establishing a sister city relationship at the earliest possible opportunity.

RESOLVED AND PASSED this ____ day of _____, 2022.

MIKE COFFMAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

KADEE RODRIGUEZ, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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KIMBERLY SKAGGS, Assistant City Attorney



CITY OF AURORA

Council Agenda Commentary

Item Title: Resolution for Housing Design and Review Committee 2022
Item Initiator: Mike Coffman, Mayor
Staff Source/Legal Source: Daniel L. Money, Sr. Assistant City Attorney
Outside Speaker: N/A
Council Goal: 2012: 5.6--Continue to plan for high quality neighborhoods with a balanced housing stock

COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

Study Session: 10/3/2022

Regular Meeting: 10/10/2022

ITEM DETAILS:

Sponsor: Mike Coffman, Mayor
Dan Money, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Estimated Time: 15 mins

ACTIONS(S) PROPOSED *(Check all appropriate actions)*

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Action Taken/Follow-up: *(Check all that apply)*

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CITY OF AURORA

Council Agenda Commentary

Item Title: Resolution for Housing Design and Review Committee 2022
Item Initiator: Mike Coffman, Mayor
Staff Source/Legal Source: Daniel L. Money, Sr. Assistant City Attorney
Outside Speaker: N/A
Council Goal: 2012: 5.6--Continue to plan for high quality neighborhoods with a balanced housing stock

COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

Study Session: 10/3/2022

Regular Meeting: 10/10/2022

ITEM DETAILS:

Sponsor: Mike Coffman, Mayor
Dan Money, Senior Assistant City Attorney
Estimated Time: 15 mins

ACTIONS(S) PROPOSED *(Check all appropriate actions)*

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