

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

RESOLUTION NO. 65-18

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS FOR THE PEACE OFFICER MENTAL HEALTH GRANT**

**RECITALS.**

At its October 17, 2018 meeting the City Council considered, and for the reasons provided herein, authorized the City Manager to apply for a grant to provide financial assistance to the Grand Junction Police Department (GJPD) for the purpose of engaging mental health professionals to provide counseling services to peace officers.

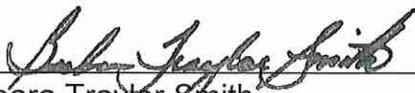
On April 4, 2017, Governor Hickenlooper signed House Bill 17-1215 Concerning Mental Health Support for Peace Officers into law. As a result, the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) has created this new grant opportunity for eligible agencies. Grant funding would assist the GJPD to be able to offer every authorized peace officer the opportunity to meet with a Mental Health professional annually and to receive trauma counseling when necessary.

The DOLA has total funding of \$1,900,000 available annually (including program operations) – the GJPD will be requesting one hour of counseling services per our 124 authorized sworn positions for a total of \$13,640.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the City Council of the City of Grand Junction supports and authorized submittal of a grant request to the Department of Local Affairs in the amount of \$13,640, to be reimbursed to the City of Grand Junction.

**AND FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, if the grant is awarded that the City Manager is authorized to enter into a grant agreement with DOLA to receive and expend grant funds for the purposes of officer mental health.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018



Barbara Traylor Smith  
President of the City Council



ATTEST:



Wanda Winkelmann  
City Clerk