

**CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO**

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-19**

**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 March 20, 2019 meeting the City Council considered and for the reasons stated, authorizes an application for a grant to provide financial assistance to the Grand Junction Police Department for the purpose of engaging mental health professionals who can provide counseling services to peace officers.

On April 4, 2017, Governor Hickenlooper signed into law House Bill 17-1215 Concerning Mental Health Support for Peace Officers. As a result, the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) has created this new grant opportunity for eligible agencies. GJPD would like 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 Colorado Department of Local Affairs has total funding of \$1,900,000 available annually (including program operations.) The fiscal impact of this grant will allow for mental health support and counseling services to peace officers. GJPD will be requesting \$25,000 in grant funding to cover travel costs and law enforcement counseling services of Nicoletti-Flatter, located in Denver, CO.

**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 \$25,000, to be reimbursed to the City of Grand Junction, in accordance with and pursuant to the recitals stated above and authorizes the City Manager to enter into a grant agreement with DOLA if the grant is awarded.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 20th day of March, 2019



President of the City Council

ATTEST:



City Clerk

