



## Legislation Text

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### *Police Department*

Reference: Adams County Sheriff's Office IGA

To: Mayor Kenneth J. Kreutzer and Members of City Council

Through: Philip Rodriguez, City Manager

Prepared By: Paul Southard, Chief of Police

Date Prepared:

### **PURPOSE**

To approve an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City and the Adams County Sheriff's Office in order to enable the Sheriff's Office to provide NCIC and CCIC police terminal monitoring during the hours of 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM.

### **STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS**

**A Safe, Active and Engaged Community**

### **BACKGROUND**

The Brighton Police Department (BPD) is connected via internet to the National Crime Information Center/Colorado Crime Information Center (NCIC/CCIC) computer network. All stolen property, warrants for wanted persons, stolen cars, missing children, etc., are entered in CCIC/NCIC. Should another law enforcement agency come in contact with any of the above people or things, it is required they contact the originating agency (BPD) within ten minutes or less and confirm the validity of the entry.

**For the last 20 years or more, the Adams County Sheriff's Office ("Adams County") has monitored our NCIC/CCIC terminal during the hours of midnight to 6:00AM.** Between midnight and 6AM we do not have Records personnel on duty. During that time, Adams County has access to our records and responds for us within the required time. This service has been provided as a courtesy by Adams County at no cost.

Recently, Commerce City and the City of Northglenn have requested that Adams County provide the same service to them. As a result, BPD has been notified that beginning January 1, 2019, Adams County will agree to provide the service to Commerce City, Northglenn, and BPD, but at a cost to be spread among the three agencies. We have been told the annual cost will be \$37,862.00 for the first year. Adams County has determined it will have to hire two additional personnel to handle the additional overnight workload.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

\$37,862.00

In anticipation of this expense, the Finance Department has incorporated this amount as a line item in the 2019 City of Brighton Budget.

As an alternative, we did examine the possibility of keeping our Records office open 24 hours. This would require the addition of at least two full-time personnel to staff the office seven nights a week. Two additional staff would have a financial impact of approximately \$102,000.00 (Entry-level Records Specialist salaries, plus benefits).

Hiring one Records Specialist would be half the cost (\$51,000), but considerable adaptation of the current work schedule

would be necessary and will impact the customer service provided by Records during daytime hours. We do not feel either are viable alternatives at this time.

**OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

- 1) Approve the IGA and authorize the City Manager to execute it on behalf of the City.
- 2) Reject the IGA.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends approval of the IGA. Participation in the NCIC/CCIC computerized information centers is a vital component of the Police Department's public safety function. NCIC/CCIC rules require confirmation of warrants, stolen property/vehicles, missing persons/runaways within ten minutes. Hiring additional staff is not cost effective.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- 1) **Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Brighton and the Adams County Sheriff's Office for the Provision of Law Enforcement and Administrative Personnel**
- 2) **Resolution Approving the IGA**