

Legislation Text

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Office of the City Manager

Reference: 5-Star Variance Application Letter of Support

To: Mayor Gregory Mills and Members of City Council

Through: Jane Bais DiSessa, City Manager

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PURPOSE

To authorize the Mayor on behalf of the City Council to sign a letter supporting Adams County's variance application for the 5-Star Program

STRATEGIC FOCUS AREA

Strong Local Employment Opportunities Safe, Active and Engaged Community Strong Regional Relationships and Partnerships

BACKGROUND

The 5 Star State Certification is a program set up at the county level through an administrative committee who is responsible for developing, implementing and overseeing the program. It encourages businesses to implement safety measures beyond what is already required by public health orders and guidelines that will help slow the spread of COVID -19. In doing so, businesses will be able to accelerate their reopening. Depending on where their county falls on the COVID-19 dial, certified businesses are eligible for less restrictive capacity caps. 5 Star certification reassures employees and customers that businesses are adhering to enhanced guidance. The program is completely voluntary and also serves as an expanding directory of establishments recognized for their efforts to keep their communities safe and open.

Adams County Manager Raymond Gonzales has asked that all communities within Adams County who wish to participate in the 5-Star Program to submit a letter of support on behalf of their respective communities to be included in the variance application. The application is expected to be submitted to the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE) within the next two weeks for consideration.

CRITERIA BY WHICH COUNCIL MUST CONSIDER THE ITEM

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Staff time will be needed to create, implement and monitor the program as appropriate. Financial impact is yet to be determined at this time.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends supporting the variance application and authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter of support to be included

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in the final application submitted by Adams County.

OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Approve the Resolution Deny the Resolution Continue the item for further discussion

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution Draft Letter of Support