

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION



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PRESENTED BY:

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SUBJECT/AGENDA TITLE:

A Proclamation Designating September 9-13, 2024, As "Disability Voting Rights Week" In Longmont, Colorado.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This proclamation designates September 9-13, 2024, as "Disability Voting Rights Week" in Longmont, Colorado and is sponsored by the Center for People with Disabilities (CPWD). As part of this, CPWD is collaborating with the American Association of People with Disabilities (AAPD) and its "Register, Educate, Vote, Use your Power" (REV UP) movement, which focuses on increasing civic engagement and improving election accessibility for people with disabilities.

CPWD is aimed at removing barriers that prevent people with disabilities from fully participating in elections. In the previous election, one in seven voters with disabilities encountered challenges, including: Inaccessible polling places, lack of training for election judges on accessible voting machines, inaccessible information, complications with signature verification, prejudice and bias, lack of accessible transportation and long wait times, and limited availability and accessibility of drop boxes.

COUNCIL OPTIONS:

1. N/A

RECOMMENDED OPTIONS:

None

FISCAL IMPACT & FUND SOURCE FOR RECOMMENDED ACTION:

None

BACKGROUND AND ISSUE ANALYSIS:

None

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

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