

RESOLUTION R-2024-0054

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING DIRECTION TO CITY STAFF TO COMPLETE THE DESIGN PHASE AND PILOT PROJECT FOR DOWNTOWN'S NEXT STEP BUT NOT PURSUE THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE AND SUSPEND ANY SPENDING TOWARDS THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE OF DOWNTOWN'S NEXT STEP

WHEREAS, funding the construction of a new Police Department and City Hall facility is a high priority of the City Council and should be prioritized; and

WHEREAS, construction of the Downtown's Next Step project is anticipated to be an additional significant cost investment to the community; and

WHEREAS, the City has received \$640,000 in grant funding to finalize the design phase of the Downtown's Next Step project, with a City match of \$160,000; and

WHEREAS, the completion of the design phase is necessary for the City Council to have construction estimates, allowing them to make informed decisions about whether to prioritize the project for construction in the future; and

WHEREAS, the City Council understands that both the construction of the Downtown's Next Step project and the construction of a new Police Department and City Hall facility would require substantial financial commitments and would not be fiscally responsible to be done simultaneously; and

WHEREAS, spending on the construction phase of Downtown's Next Steps should be suspended pending direction to staff to move forward after the Police Department and City have begun construction,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Durango in the Regular meeting assembled on September 17, 2024:

The City Council of the City of Durango approves a resolution providing direction to City staff to complete the design phase and pilot project for Downtown's Next Step but not pursue the construction phase and suspend any spending towards the construction phase of Downtown's Next Step.

Approved and adopted this 17th day of September, 2024.

CITY OF DURANGO, COLORADO

By: _____

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ATTEST:

By: _____

Faye Harmer, City Clerk