



PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEM

DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING: 3/14/17
SUBJECT: IGA with Brighton for Ag-Innovation Specialist Position
FROM: Abel Montoya, Director
AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: Long Range Strategic Planning
HEARD AT STUDY SESSION ON: 10/21/16 and 3/7/17
AUTHORIZATION TO MOVE FORWARD: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the Board of County Commissioners Approves

BACKGROUND:

On October 21, 2016, Long Range Strategic Planning Department Staff and City of Brighton Staff attended a study session to update the Board of County Commissioners on the implementation of the District Plan, which was jointly approved by the County and City in April of 2016. The two primary items of discussion were the desire to develop a shared District Plan Commission and shared Ag Innovation Specialist employee, as recommended by the District Plan. Following discussion, the Board directed staff to proceed. At a study session with the Brighton City Council on November 8, 2016, City of Brighton Staff and Long Range Strategic Planning Staff were given direction to proceed on both action items by the City of Brighton City Council. A follow up Study Session to review the Ag Innovation IGA was held with the Board of County Commissioners on March 7, 2017.

The Board of County Commissioners approved an IGA with Brighton On December 13, 2016 to establish the joint District Plan Commission. The City of Brighton approved the District Plan Commission IGA with Adams County on January 31, 2017. The first District Plan Commission meeting was held on March 8, 2017.

Adams County and City of Brighton staff, including staff from each organization's planning department, parks department, and law and human resources departments, have worked on the draft Ag Innovation Specialist job description and IGA to establish the shared position. The Ag Innovation Specialist will staff the District Plan Commission for both the City and the County, and will work with the Commission to promote agricultural activities, agritourism, local food

systems, context-sensitive land use patterns and economic development, and to preserve prime agricultural lands. As described in the District Plan, the Ag Innovation Specialist would be a shared employee for a minimum of two years to carry out the Plan's broad array of implementation action items. As described in the draft IGA, the Ag Innovation Specialist would be housed by the County and would jointly be funded by a \$40,000 match by each the City and the County annually for two years/24 months (\$80,000 total on an annual basis to include salary, benefits and program costs such as supplies, a computer, and resources for the District Plan Commission such as the printing of maps and brochures).

The City of Brighton is anticipated to adopt the Ag Innovation Specialist IGA with Adams County in early April, 2017.

AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS OR OTHER OFFICES INVOLVED:

City of Brighton

ATTACHED DOCUMENTS:

IGA
Resolution

FISCAL IMPACT:

Please check if there is no fiscal impact ☐. If there is fiscal impact, please fully complete the section below.

Fund: 00001**Cost Center:** 1081

	Object Account	Subledger	Amount
Current Budgeted Revenue:			
Additional Revenue not included in Current Budget:	6840		40,000.00
Total Revenues:			

	Object Account	Subledger	Amount
Current Budgeted Operating Expenditure:			
Add'l Operating Expenditure not included in Current Budget:	7005		80,000.00
Current Budgeted Capital Expenditure:			
Add'l Capital Expenditure not included in Current Budget:			
Total Expenditures:			

New FTEs requested: ☒ **YES** ☐ **NO**

Future Amendment Needed: ☒ **YES** ☐ **NO**

Additional Note:

\$75,525 salary and benefits

\$4,475 operating costs