

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

December 13, 2023

TOPIC: Pikes Peak State College and City of Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs Police Department (CSPD) – Firing Range Renovation Project Phase 1

PRESENTED BY: Dr. Lance Bolton, President

RELATIONSHIP TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN:

- Transform the student experience.
- Redefine our value proposition through accessibility, affordability, quality, accountability, resource development, and operational excellence.

EXPLANATION:

Pikes Peak State College (PPSC or College) is requesting permission to spend \$5,000,000 of college reserve funds to be fully reimbursed by the City of Colorado Springs (CSPD) as agreed upon in an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Colorado Springs through the Colorado Springs Police Department and the State of Colorado Dept of Higher Education through PPSC was signed effective October 4, 2021.

Due to the age and condition of the PPSC Firing Range, the City of Colorado Springs committed to contributing a minimum of \$5,000,000 in the first (5) years of the agreement towards the renovation and improvements of the site (September 30, 2021 – September 30, 2026).

It required per the agreement that there is the establishment of a Steering Committee to oversee improvements to the PPSC Firing Range. In consideration that the City of Colorado Springs committed to contributing at least \$5 million, PPSC also committed to making improvements related to soil erosion issues on the north side of the facility to be completed within the same time frame and under a separate project.

The City of Colorado Springs will oversee the design phase of the project in collaboration with the Steering Committee, and PPSC will oversee the construction phase as required by the state. The new facility is intended to prioritize use by PPSC's Law Enforcement Academy students, and then the Colorado Springs Police Department. The Facility will also be available for use by PPSC Campus Police and law enforcement officers from Colorado State Patrol, Woodland Park Police, and other non-federal, governmental law enforcement agencies as approved by the Steering Committee.

Currently, construction is expected to be accomplished in two phases. Phase 1 will consist of reconfiguring ranges 1-3 into four ranges to include earthwork to move berms, add baffles as appropriate, replace asphalt walkways, and add Conex control rooms. Range 5 improvements are included as an Add Alternate. The completion date is estimated for Fall 2024.

Phase 2 will consist of a classroom addition to the main Firing Range building and will include Range 5 if not funded in Phase 1. Phase 2 will require an additional funding commitment by the City of Colorado Springs (above the \$5 million in Table 1 below) once Phase 1 is completed and is estimated to cost an additional \$2,700,000.

Oversight and tracking of all expenditures related to this project will be managed by the PPSC Financial Services department with billing to the City of Colorado Springs on a monthly basis with agreed-upon payment due within (14) business days after (7) the day review/approval period of invoices. This process will remain in place until the project is fully completed and all reimbursements from the City of Colorado Springs are received.

Table 1
City of Colorado Springs (CSPD) & PPSC Firing Range Renovation

Phase 1 (Estimated as Proportion of Total Project Costs)				
Category	City of Colorado Springs		College	
	Dollar Amount	% Of Total Project Budget	Dollar Amount	% Of Total Project Budget
Soft Cost	75,000	1.50%	-	-
Construction	4,470,455	89.40%	-	-
Contingency (10% of Project Budget)	454,545	9.10%	-	-
Totals	5,000,000	100%		-

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board approve the renovation of the PPSC Firing Range Phase 1 as outlined above with a do not exceed total spending authority of \$5,000,000 to be fully reimbursed by the City of Colorado Springs (CSPD). Staff also recommends the Board delegate signature authority of the Board to the System Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration on the condition that all Board and State processes are followed.