

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CODE
ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE**

WHEREAS, the Common Council of Rapid City appointed a task force to review the current operations of the City's Code Enforcement Office; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Task Force has met several times and has formally adopted recommendations that they believe will improve the operation of the City's Code Enforcement Office; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Task Force has recommended that any restriction on the amount of proactive enforcement Code Enforcement Officers are allowed to engage in be removed; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Task Force has recommended that the City Attorney's Office bring back recommendations for changes in the City Code that will improve the ability of the Code Enforcement Office to deal with violations of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Task Force has recommended that a procedure for complaints about the Code Enforcement Office be established; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has reviewed the recommendations of the Code Enforcement Task Force and determined that it is in the City's best interests to adopt the task force's recommendations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Rapid City that proactive enforcement of City ordinances by the City's Code Enforcement Office is hereby increased up to four (4) hours per week per Code Enforcement Officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City's Code Enforcement Office and Police Department are encouraged to communicate often, to conduct joint meetings and training and to generally work in cooperation to assure that properties within the City of Rapid City are in compliance with the City Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each of the City's Code Enforcement Officers shall attend four (4) neighborhood watch or community meetings per year. Any time spent by a Code Enforcement Officer attending a neighborhood watch or community meeting will be credited to the four hours of proactive enforcement the officers are allowed to conduct each week.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Attorney's Office is directed to bring forward to the City Council, within 90 days, suggested Code revisions to improve the operation of Code Enforcement and to clarify what constitutes a nuisance as well as any other potential violations of City Code that should be properly dealt with by the Code Enforcement Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a formal procedure for handling complaints regarding Code Enforcement be developed.

CITY OF RAPID CITY

Mayor

ATTEST:

Finance Officer

(SEAL)