

# TOWN OF ERIE

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SUBJECT: Consent Agenda -Letter of Support Boulder County Five Star Program

**DEPARTMENT:** Economic Development Department

PRESENTER: Benjamin Pratt, Economic Development Director

TIME ESTIMATE: N/A

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board of Trustees sign the attached Letter of Support for the Boulder County Five-Star Program and the Town-wide adoption of the program.

#### SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:

The Colorado 5-Star Certification Program is designed to allow certified (inspected and compliant with the program's criteria) businesses to operate one level below the county's current State COVID dial level if the county meets four specific public health criteria. The public health metrics are:

- A two-week incidence rate in the appropriate dial level for all of the past 7 days
- A two-week percent positivity in the appropriate dial level for all of the past 7 days
- Under 90% of regional ICU beds in use, and days of stable or declining hospitalizations in the past two weeks in the appropriate dial level.

Boulder County's 5-Star Certification Program proposes to employ the services of a third-party vendor, Longmont-based H2 Manufacturing Solutions. This proposed third-party vendor solution leverages a safety certification system developed by H2 and the COVID-19 Manufacturing Task Force that first convened in March and included members from Boulder County Public Health and Longmont Economic Development Partnership. It is the same model as has already been approved

for the Denver Five-Star Certification program.

The Boulder County 5-Star Certification Program uses a "train the trainer" model and is currently recruiting approximately 75 volunteers from across the County to serve as trained auditors and administrators for the program. Efforts are underway to identify government agencies and private businesses with underutilized employees due to COVID-19, or who are looking for opportunities to fulfill their corporate social responsibility mission and are willing to repurpose their staff team members as safety certification inspectors. Bilingual and multi-lingual volunteers are encouraged to apply. As part of the program, H2 would provide ongoing oversight and auditing of inspectors to ensure the highest level of integrity.

Any business interested in being certified through the Boulder County 5-Star Program can fill out the following form and will be alerted to when the business application is available: <a href="http://bit.ly/BOCOFiveStarInterest">http://bit.ly/BOCOFiveStarInterest</a>.

Learn more about the Boulder County 5 Star Certification program at: <a href="https://boulderchamber.com/boco-five-star/">https://boulderchamber.com/boco-five-star/</a>.

Ben Pratt, Erie's Economic Development Director currently serves on both the Administrative and the Compliance committees for the program and will maintain an active level of participation and engagement throughout the process.

Fiscal Impact: N/A

### Board Priority(s) Addressed: uncheck priorities NOT addressed & delete these words

- ✓ Prosperous Economy
- ✓ Effective Governance
- ✓ Fiscally Responsible

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

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