



Town Council

Board Meeting Date: 1/28/2020

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SUBJECT: Resolution A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Erie Approving a Services Agreement With Cosolve Inc. for Economic Development Services DEPARTMENT: Economic Development

PRESENTER: Ben Pratt, Economic Development Director

TIME ESTIMATE: 10 minutes

FISCAL INFORMATION:

Cost as Recommended: \$100,000 Balance Available: \$50,000 Budget Line Item Number: 100-20-910-570000 New Appropriation Required: Yes

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve sponsorship of CoSolve Erie and appropriate additional funds. SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:

As part of the Town's effort to provide immediate and accessible assistance to small businesses, Sponsorship in CoSolve will allow the Town to facilitate many small business services that would otherwise not be available. This investment is an essential first step to creating the entrepreneurial ecosystem necessary to start, grow and expand businesses. It will help facilitate the following:

Community Development

- Gatherings
- Programming
- Community Outreach
- Arts
- Front Range Community College
- Industry Engagement
- Sponsorship Development

Business Services

- Business Incubator
- Events
- Programming
- Mentorship Development
- Competitive Programs (Pits Competition)
- Erie
- Evergreen Angel Investor Fund

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General Operations

- Facilities
- Employees
- Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment
- Network Operations
- Enhanced Old Town WiFi

This is to jumpstart the community investment with the hopes it is equally (and beyond) matched by local businesses, investors and institutions.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Resolution
- 2. Agreement
- 3. Presentation