

Denver Regional Council of Governments  
State of Colorado

Finance and Budget Committee

Resolution No. 47, 2025

**A resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with the City of Westminster to increase their staffing capacity, enhance training, update planning tools and systems, and research embodied carbon all to accelerate building decarbonization, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000 with a term ending September 14, 2029.**

**Whereas**, DRCOG received a \$199.7 million grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grant program to implement a regional building decarbonization initiative; and

**Whereas**, within this larger program lies the Building Policy Collaborative (BPC), includes \$34,800,000 USD to support jurisdictions by providing subaward funding for new staff capacity, providing training and professional development related to decarbonization policies, enhancements to permitting processes, technical assistance on policy development and adoption, community engagement support, and any other activities designed to reduce climate pollution from the building sector; and

**Whereas**, subawards will be allocated through two rounds, with Round 1 allocating \$34.8 million as formula funds across all jurisdictions in the DRCOG area, which opened June 2, 2025 and will close October 31, 2025 at 5pm Mountain time; and

**Whereas**, the City of Westminster is requesting their allotted formula to hire new staff and contractor support to support building decarbonization policy adoption and energy code plan review and inspection, provide targeted training and certification opportunities for City staff to build internal expertise in advanced building standards and decarbonization strategies, update key planning documents to embed decarbonization policies and create supporting resources, and conduct research on embodied carbon policies and their effects on Westminster's building stock; and

**Whereas**, these subawards match the eligibility criteria of the EPA grant and will advance Decarbonize DRCOG's goals of reducing greenhouse gas reduction goals.

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the Finance and Budget Committee authorizes the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with the City of Westminster to increase their staffing capacity, enhance training, update planning tools and systems, and research embodied carbon all to accelerate building decarbonization, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000 with a term ending September 14, 2029.

**Resolved, passed, and adopted** this 3rd day of September, 2025 at Denver, Colorado.

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Jeslin Shahrezaei, Chair  
Finance and Budget Committee  
Denver Regional Council of Governments

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Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director