

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

Meeting Date: September 22, 2009	1 st Reading _____ 2 nd Reading _____	Legal Review: N/A	Agenda Location: Presentation	Agenda Item:
Subject: A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CLARE HADLEY, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE RANGITIKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL, NEW ZEALAND FOR HER PARTICIPATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL CITY MANAGERS ASSOCIATION, INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH THE CITY OF THORNTON.				
Prepared by: Joyce Hunt		Approved by: Jack Ethredge		Ordinance previously introduced by: _____
Reviewed by: Joyce Hunt		Presented by: Jack Ethredge, City Manager		

KEY CONSIDERATIONS:

- The International City Managers Association and the New Zealand Society of Local Government Managers have selected Clare Hadley and Joyce Hunt to participate in the International Management Exchange Program.
- The International Management Exchange Program provides an opportunity for local government professionals to travel to the country of their international exchange partner to share ideas and experiences of their respective organizations.
- Clare Hadley is the Chief Executive of the Rangitikei District Council which is a fairly large rural local authority. The local authority has a population of 15,000 spread across a large area of 4,500 square kilometers with sixty percent of the population based around four small urban areas of 5,000 people or less. The authority has a staff of around sixty with eleven councillors and a Mayor.
- Clare has previously filled positions in Palmerston North City, a large provincial city, and at Hutt City, the second largest of the councils in the Wellington metropolitan area. Prior to coming to Thornton, Clare attended the International City Managers Association Annual Conference. Joyce Hunt will do her exchange in September 2010.
- During her stay in Thornton, Clare shared her experiences with City of Thornton staff; learned about Thornton's programs and priorities and toured the City; toured the Northern Water Project; attended the Colorado Municipal League Board meeting; visit with the Denver Council of Governments; met with representatives from other cities; and met with the Metro North Chamber of Commerce.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:

- N/A.

RECOMMENDATION:

- Staff recommends approval of the resolution to recognize Clare Hadley for her participation in the International Exchange Program with the City of Thornton and for sharing her experiences in New Zealand with the City.

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CLARE HADLEY, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE RANGITIKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL, NEW ZEALAND FOR HER PARTICIPATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL CITY MANAGERS ASSOCIATION, INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH THE CITY OF THORNTON AND EXTENDING THE CITY'S GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES TO THE RANGITIKEI LOCAL AUTHORITY.

WHEREAS, the Clare Hadley was selected to participate in the International Exchange Program with the City of Thornton by the Local Government Association of New Zealand; and

WHEREAS, Clare Handley has shared her experiences in local government in New Zealand, including similarities and differences as compared to local government management in Thornton and other parts of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the City of Thornton appreciates the opportunity to learn how the delivery of local government services is provided in New Zealand and to hear how our approach to service delivery is similar or different than that experienced in New Zealand; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to extend its thanks to the Councillors and Mayor of the Rangitikei Local Authority for supporting Clare's trip to the City of Thornton to share her experiences with us; and

WHEREAS, the City appreciates the opportunity to participate in international exchange program believing that the exchange of ideas enhances our mutual understanding of each other's challenges in serving the public through local government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THORNTON, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the City Council recognizes Clare Hadley for her participation in the international exchange program and sharing of ideas with us.
2. That the City Council extends its greetings to the Councillors and Mayor of the Rangitikei Local Authority and wishes it well in its endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Thornton, Colorado, on _____, 2009.

CITY OF THORNTON, COLORADO

Erik A. Hansen, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nancy A. Vincent, City Clerk