

July 21, 2020, Town Council Meeting Comments - Submission #74149

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Agenda item on which to comment\*

18. Introduction/Discussion: Police Officers to participate in Fire and Police Pension Association (FPPA)

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Mayor Jason Gray and members of Town Council.  
I would first like to thank you and the fellow Town Council Members for my appointment to the Public Safety Commission. I am truly honored to be able to serve the Town as a member of the Commission. Chief Cauley made a presentation to the Commission at the July 2, 2020 meeting concerning affiliating the Town and the Police Department Members with the FPPA. The emphasis of his presentation was to meet the Police Departments Strategic Plan - Priority 3, Employees - Goal 1, "Attract and retain the highest quality employees." It is apparent to me that Chief Cauley has worked very hard in developing this proposal for the members of the Town's Police Department and to the Town Council..  
I have reviewed the summary presented to the Town Council on this proposal. The summary is an excellent presentation about the advantages of affiliation with the FPPA as many other Police and Fire Departments have done in Colorado. I would like to add a quick summary of my personnel experiences with the FPPA. I currently am a retired Firefighter and currently receive a pension from the FPPA. I have served on two Fire Departments that affiliated with the FPPA that previously had another retirement plan. One was previously was with ICMA and the second from a private Insurance Company. In both transitions the FPPA staff was excellent in presenting the FPPA plans and working individually with all members of both departments. Many members with very different circumstances and needs.  
In addition as a FPPA retiree I have contacted FPPA staff to deal with my individual circumstances over the years. The FPPA staff has been extremely courteous and helpful in dealing with my personal needs and requests.  
My final thought is that the FPPA has offered retirement benefits for Colorado Police Officers and Firefighters for forty years. They truly know the unique needs and requirements for those individuals serving as Firefighters and Police Offices in Colorado. They also are stringent in managing quality investments for the security of the members and employers contributions. I strongly support the Town Council voting to offer this retirement plan to the Town's Police Officers as it has currently done for the Town's Firefighters.

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