ORDINANCE NO. 1295
SERIES 2022

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT FOR THE CITY OF CORTEZ

WHEREAS, the Cortez City Charter at Article III Section 3(b) Powers of Council states *"Without limitation of the foregoing," the Council shall have the power to: (b) By ordinance create, change, and abolish offices, departments, or agencies, and assign additional functions to offices, departments or agencies established by this Charter, but not to discontinue any office, department, or agency established by this Charter*; and,

WHEREAS, Article V Appointed Officials at Section 6 Departmental Divisions states - *The work of each department of the administrative branch may be distributed among such divisions within the department as may be established by the Charter, or by ordinance, after recommendation of the city manager, or by regulations issued by the city manager pending passage of such ordinance*; and,

WHEREAS, Economic Development Planning and Building in communities can affect and be affected by Community Development; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary for community development and economic development to combine planning and building, events and public outreach under one umbrella in order to achieve maximum efficiency and effect; and,

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended the creation of a Community and Economic Development Department with authority over planning and building, events, and public outreach.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CORTEZ CITY COUNCIL THAT there is hereby created a Community and Economic Development Department which shall have divisions within it consisting of the Planning and Building Department, which Department shall remain in place, and divisions for events and outreach according to regulations issued by the City Manager.

REPEALER. All orders, bylaws, ordinances, and resolutions of the City, or parts thereof, inconsistent or in conflict with this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency or conflict.

SEVERABILITY. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance, the intent being that the same are severable.

RECORDING AND AUTHENTICATION. Upon adoption hereof, this Ordinance shall be recorded in a book kept for that purpose and shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Mayor and the City Clerk.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be effective upon publication after final passage.

PUBLIC HEARING. This ordinance shall be considered for second or final reading on the 25th day of January, 2022, at the hour of 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, Cortez, Colorado, at which time and place all persons may appear and be heard concerning the same.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED ON FIRST READING THIS 11th DAY OF JANUARY, 2022.

CITY OF CORTEZ

ATTEST:

LINDA L. SMITH, CITY CLERK

MICHAEL J. LAVEY, MAYOR

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING THIS 25th DAY OF JANUARY, 2022.

CITY OF CORTEZ

ATTEST:

LINDA L. SMITH, CITY CLERK

MICHAEL J. LAVEY, MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MICHAEL F. GREEN, City Attorney