City Council Agenda Item Request

Submit to Clerk's Office
No later than 30 days before proposed Council meeting

1. **Date submitted to Clerk's Office:** March 31, 2026

2. **Primary contact person and Department requesting agenda item:** Emily Ball, CED

3. **Requested Council meeting date:** April 28, 2026

4. **Subject:** Code Purple Emergency Funding

5. **Action Requested:** Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with Buncombe County to accept and administer matching County funds for Code Purple emergency operations

6. **Note if time sensitive, and why:** Funds are to be paid to Code Purple providers for services provided in February 2026

7. **Potential fiscal impact(s) - if known by staff at time of request:** Receive $4,376.64 from Buncombe County and provide matching ARPA funds

8. **Identify all vendor outreach for Minority & Women Owned Business Enterprises (MWBE).** N/A

9. **Identify all Boards, Commissions and Council Committees with tentative dates - add in the vote and recommendation from each Board:** N/A

10. **Identify key issues:**
    - The Asheville-Buncombe Continuum of Care (CoC) coordinated the plan, providers, and budgets for Code Purple and Winter Shelter this season.
    - The City of Asheville and Buncombe County each provided $50,000 in budgeted funds to support Code Purple. City staff administer all funds through contracts with service providers based on the CoC's plan.
    - In response to Winter Storm Gianna, Code Purple providers collaborated to stay open during the day due to life-threatening temperatures.
    - City and County management have agreed to support operational costs for service providers for daytime operations February 1 and 2, 2026, which total $8,753.29.
    - Staff are seeking Council action to accept $4,376.64 from Buncombe County for this purpose. Matching City funds will be provided through available American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.