

**TOWN OF SILT
RESOLUTION NO. 17
SERIES OF 2024**

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE TOWN OF SILT, COLORADO, AS A NON-SANCTUARY COMMUNITY, SETTING PRIORITIES AND EXPECTATIONS IN RESPONSE TO IMMIGRATION INFLUX

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the Town of Silt, Colorado, is a home rule municipality duly organized and existing under Article XX of the Colorado Constitution and the City's Home Rule Charter approved by the electors; and

WHEREAS, a "Sanctuary City" is a jurisdiction that limits cooperation with federal immigration authorities, limits or fails to provide information about immigration status and limits the length of immigration detainees; and

WHEREAS, certain municipalities have declared themselves a Sanctuary City have seen significant increases to their budgets and costs to the public; and

WHEREAS, these Sanctuary Cities face an accelerated budget shortfall and agency budget cuts to fund migrant services; and

WHEREAS, the healthcare services in these Sanctuary Cities have seen thousands of migrant patients in the past year, costing millions of dollars in unreimbursed care; and

WHEREAS, the schools that serve Sanctuary Cities schools face a significant shortfall in funding due to the continuous influx of migrants; and,

WHEREAS, The Town supports legal immigration into the United States; and,

WHEREAS, The Town neither has the financial resources nor the physical and operational infrastructure to address the human needs an influx of migrants, whether legal or illegal, would place on the community; and,

WHEREAS, The schools serving the Town do not have unlimited resources; currently, RE-2 is 166th out of 178 Colorado school districts in terms of per-pupil funding; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Silt Municipal Code, Section 8.24.070 identifies that camping in all zoning districts is prohibited, including governmental buildings, public places, parks, and open spaces, however camping is allowed in residential districts up to 14 days in a 365-day calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Silt Municipal Code, Section 17.68.060 related to Recreation Vehicle Parking and Use, limits the use of a Recreational Vehicle as a domicile to not more than 14 days in a 365-day calendar year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Silt Colorado declares that the Town is not a sanctuary community and will not directly open shelters or provide services, other than emergency services, to migrants and/or undocumented immigrants that may arrive in the Town.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Silt, Colorado will continue to monitor and enforce Town of Silt Municipal Code Sections 8.24.070 related to camping in any zoning district and Section 17.68.070 related to Recreation Vehicle use in the residential zoning districts.

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Silt on the 8th day of April 2024.

TOWN OF SILT

Keith B. Richel
Mayor Keith B. Richel

ATTEST:

Sheila M. McIntyre
Town Clerk Sheila M. McIntyre, CMC

