SMOKING/USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS

Purpose: To protect the public health and provide a safe work environment for employees, volunteers, contractual persons, and the public by prohibiting smoking in any building, structure, or vehicle owned or leased by the City and County for any municipal purpose. This policy provides direction and rules for the use of tobacco products while in any building, structure, or vehicle owned or leased by the City and County.

Policy: In accordance with the Broomfield Municipal Code, smoking is prohibited in any building or structure owned or leased by the City and County for any municipal purpose. It shall also be the policy of the City and County to prohibit smoking or the use of other tobacco products such as chewing tobacco or snuff within any vehicle, building, or structure owned or leased by the City and County.

Applicability: All employees, volunteers, contractual persons, and the public.

Procedure: Persons wishing to smoke or use other tobacco products such as chewing tobacco or snuff are required to use a designated smoking area located outside City and County buildings.

Penalty: Violations of the Broomfield Municipal Code could result in the issuance of a summons and complaint to appear in Municipal Court. The penalty is a fine not to exceed $500 per violation. In addition, City and County employees may be subject to corrective or disciplinary action in accordance with the Personnel Merit System.

Smoking Cessation Programs: There are several programs open to people in Colorado if he/she is interesting smoking cessation:

- Colorado Quit Line is a free website devoted to bringing you comprehensive resources for smoking - http://www.coquitline.org/
- Fixnixer is a website with free tobacco cessation programs – www.fixnixer.com
- 1-800-QUIT-NOW will provide people with five free counseling sessions to assist in becoming tobacco free