



TO: Members of Council
FROM: Mary Moline, City Clerk's Office
DATE: December 2, 2014
SUBJECT: Information Packet

1. CALL UPS

None

2. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Update on the Voice and Sight Tag Program

3. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

- A. Human Relations Commission – November 17, 2014
- B. Open Space Board of Trustees – November 12, 2014
- C. Water Resources Advisory Board – September 15, 2014
- D. Water Resources Advisory Board – October 20, 2014

4. DECLARATIONS

- A. American Indian Heritage Month – November 2014
- B. Boulder Companies to Watch Month – November 1-30, 2014
- C. First United Methodist Church Day – November 23, 2014



INFORMATION PACKET MEMORANDUM

To: Members of City Council

From: Jane S. Brautigam, City Manager
Mike Patton, Director of Open Space and Mountain Parks
Steve Armstead, Environmental Planner

Date: December 2, 2014

Subject: Information Item: Update on the Voice and Sight Tag Program

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On May 6, 2014, City Council unanimously approved a series of changes to the Voice and Sight Tag Program (Tag Program) to become effective in 2015. Since then, staffs from the Open Space and Mountain Parks (OSMP), Finance, Parks and Recreation and Information Technology (IT) departments have been taking the actions necessary to implement these changes. The significant tasks undertaken to date include:

- Notifying community members that the program will be changing on Jan. 1, 2015,
- Presenting the Voice and Sight Education Class,
- Promoting the availability of the class,
- Developing the software application and online user interface for program registration,
- Completing baseline compliance monitoring data collection,
- Updating regulatory and informational signs, and
- Integrating the Voice and Sight and the dog license programs.

A timeline for implementation milestones is available in Attachment A and a summary of progress on the program changes is available in Attachment B. More detailed information on the progress of the Voice and Sight Education Class and the registration process for 2015 Voice and Sight Tags is provided in this memo.

PROGRAM STATUS

Voice and Sight Education Class

One of the council-adopted changes in the Tag Program is that all dog guardians participating in the program are now required to attend a Voice and Sight Education Class before they can register in the program. On June 2, staff began offering educational classes to provide an advance opportunity for guardians to complete this requirement before the program changes go

into effect Jan. 1, 2015. A schedule of classes was created to accommodate nearly 20,000 individuals which was the estimated number of potential participants. Therefore, since the classes began in June, there have been, on average 10 classes presented every week. Two classes are typically scheduled on days of the week with the greatest demand for class space. Through the summer and early fall, the average class size was 12 participants. In the last month, class sizes have increased to average 26 participants. The table below lists the total number of classes, seats, attendees through Nov. 23 and the percent of time elapsed until the end of the year.

Table 1: Voice and Sight Education Class Capacity and Attendance

	SEATS OFFERED		ATTENDEES	TIME ELAPSED
	Number of Classes	Number of Seats	Number of Attendees	Percent of Time Elapsed Until the End of the Year
June 2 – Nov. 23	258	14,130	3,591	81%
Percent of Estimated Participants		71%	18%	

Staff will continue to offer an enhanced number of classes through the remainder of 2014 and into the first quarter of 2015. This is in anticipation of high class demand as guardians seek to become compliant with the new requirements. There will also be a continued effort to notify guardians about upcoming opportunities to attend a class. A summary list of outreach and notification efforts is provided in Attachment C.

After the first quarter of 2015, staff will assess class attendance and demand and determine an appropriate frequency and number of classes to offer on an ongoing basis. Staff anticipates that the ongoing rate of classes could be at least one class per week.

The Tag Program and Dog License Registration Process

Registration for the new “blue” 2015 Voice and Sight Tags will begin on Dec. 1, 2014. There are both online and in-person options to register for the program. In person registration is available at the Tax and License Division Information Desk at the Municipal Building and at OSMP’s administrative offices. Online registration is available at www.voiceandsight.org.

The previous program registration software was replaced with a newly developed application to accommodate revised program requirements. Staffs from the OSMP, IT and Finance departments collaborated on the development of the software so that the program registration could confirm that applicants completed the education class and included verification of City of Boulder dog licenses (Boulder residents), or rabies vaccination (for others). Additionally, the registration process requires information about dogs participating in the program and accounts for the revised fee structure based on where people reside.

Coinciding with changes to the Tag Program registration process, the Finance Department contracted with a dog licensing service to provide online and mail-in processing of city dog licenses. This new service will be available for residents to purchase 2015 dog licenses and is integrated with the Tag Program application process, automatically verifying dog license requirements for Boulder residents.

Staff notified guardians who have previously participated in the Tag Program and individuals who have completed the class that the registration for 2015 Voice and Sight Tags has begun. Additionally, staff will continue to publicize that guardians should attend the class if they have not already done so, update their dog's rabies vaccination if necessary, and encourage Boulder residents to promptly acquire 2015 dog licenses. By taking that action, Boulder residents will fulfill the program's new requirements and be allowed to register for 2015 Voice and Sight Tags.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will continue to offer classes on a weekly basis through the remainder of 2014 and into the first quarter of 2015. On Jan.1, 2015, OSMP Rangers will begin contacting visitors with off-leash dogs not displaying the new Voice and Sight Tags. Visitors will be advised of the new requirements, provided information if they are unaware of the program and advised that until they obtain the tag they must leash their dogs. Visitors who have been previously advised of the regulation, or demonstrate a clear knowledge of the expectation and have chosen not to obtain the tag may receive a citation. After at least three weeks of visitor contacts focused on building awareness of the program change, there will be a greater expectation that guardians will have had sufficient opportunity to learn about the program change. Failure to display the new Voice and Sight Tag on unleashed dogs could result in a citation.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Tag Program Implementation Timeline**
- B. Implementation Status of Voice and Sight Tag Program Changes**
- C. Voice and Sight Tag Program Outreach and Notification Efforts**

Tag Program Implementation Timeline

	May - June	July - Aug.	Sep.- Nov.	Dec.	Jan. – Feb. 2015
MAJOR MILESTONES	Education Classes Start: JUNE 2			Registration and Tags Available: DEC. 1	Program Changes Effective: JAN. 1

OSBT UPDATES	Education Class	Monitoring	Program Readiness	Registration	Early Implementation
EDUCATION CLASS	Education Classes and Promoting Availability of the Class				
SOFTWARE	Registration Software Development & Testing		Final Testing	Operational & Track Functionality	
MONITORING	Field Work		Data Analysis		Preliminary Reporting
SIGNS	Program Changing in 2015 Signs			New Regulation Signs	
TAG AND LICENSE INTEGRATION	Transition Administration of Tag Servicing to Finance Department			Finance Services Tags	

Implementation Status of Voice and Sight Tag Program Changes

#	Voice and Sight Tag Program Changes	Implementation Status
1	Implement the following education and outreach strategies:	Implement the following education and outreach strategies:
	a) Increase outreach and education about training opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Included in Voice and Sight Education Class • Information sheet made available at education class and online
	b) Support stakeholder efforts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided information to Friends Interested in Dogs and Open Space (FIDOS) to post on its Website and through social media
	c) Create refresher videos on requirements, etiquette or issues that will be phased in based on time and cost	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Created a video about the Voice and Sight Class with interviews of two attendees
	d) Use traditional and social media to provide instructive educational information to participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future work item
	e) Provide educational walks for dogs and dog guardians on a trial basis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two educational hikes for guardians and dogs offered in October, 2014
	f) Improve clarity and information on signs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessed and revised Tag Program regulation signs • Posted large attention-getting signs at select trailheads announcing program changes
	g) Distribute palm cards explaining the Tag Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distributed palm cards and flyers with information about the Tag Program and upcoming changes • Distributed flyers and a revised the program brochure
	h) Increase outreach and education to visitors without dogs about voice and sight control and what to expect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Web information in development
	i) Consider under specific conditions and on well-suited OSMP properties, opportunities for special voice and sight control training events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future work item
	j) Encourage dog guardians to become volunteer Trail Guides and provide additional training for outreach with a dog	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided recruitment information to FIDOS to include in its newsletter and Website

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Included announcement in an email to current Tag Program participants
	k) Participate in more dog-related outreach events; consider organizing another “Tag Wag” type event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hosted two “dog photo contests” to promote dog excrement composting trial and the importance of picking up after your pet and the Tag Program changes • Participating in the Dog Days event at Scott Carpenter Pool • Participated in the Humane Society of Boulder Valley’s Doggie Dash event • Organized a “Howl-O-Ween” event for dogs and guardians
	l) Promote information on dog-prohibited trails and add this information on the OSMP Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Web page created that lists and provides information on dog-free opportunities: https://bouldercolorado.gov/osmp/dog-free-trails
	m) Train all staff on the new regulations for informal educational opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Included the Voice and Sight Education Class as part of an all-staff meeting • Had staff answer questions with prizes for correct answers about the changes to the program
	n) Increase focus on major trailheads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OSMP outreach staff has set up information tables at popular trailheads
	o) Provide more focused ranger patrol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focused ranger patrol to coincide with new requirements going into effect in 2015
	p) Consider more strategic placement of signs and waste cans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff considering opportunities and making changes when improvements identified
2	<p>Require proof of current rabies vaccination for all dogs to be registered in the program. City of Boulder residents are required to provide a valid city of Boulder dog license as proof of current rabies vaccination.</p> <p>Require that all dogs on OSMP lands display a valid rabies vaccination tag.</p>	<p>Revision to the program registration software will include a process to verify that City of Boulder residents have a Boulder dog license. Guardians residing outside the City of Boulder will need to upload a copy of a valid rabies certificate before a dog can receive a Voice and Sight Tag.</p>

#	Voice and Sight Tag Program Changes	Implementation Status
3	<p>The program registration and annual renewal fees will include a graduated fee structure for residents of the City of Boulder, residents of Boulder County outside the City of Boulder, and non-Boulder County residents.</p> <p>Program registration fees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Boulder Residents (\$13), • Boulder County residents outside the City of Boulder (\$33), • Non-Boulder County residents (\$75), and • The registration fee includes one guardian and one dog; the fee for each additional guardian in a household is (\$5) and the fee for each additional dog in a household is (\$10). <p>Annual household renewal fee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Boulder Residents (\$5), • Boulder County residents outside the City of Boulder (\$20), and • Non-Boulder County residents (\$30). <p>The additional guardian and dog registration fees will be waived for City of Boulder households who meet income criteria consistent with the City of Boulder Food Tax Rebate Program or the Parks and Recreation Reduced Rate Program.</p>	<p>A City Manager’s Rule has been processed authorizing the new fees for the Tag Program.</p>
4	<p>Require all program participants attend an information session. Program participants must attend a session before they can register in the program. The information session will include as part of the content a revised and updated voice and sight video. Program participants must complete an online refresher education course at least every five years. The refresher will include an on-line test to establish that participants understand the Voice and Sight Tag Program requirements.</p>	<p>The revised program registration process will include a process to verify that any guardian registering in the Tag Program has first completed the Voice and Sight Education Class. The application will also include a process that confirms the completion of an online refresher every five years.</p>

#	Voice and Sight Tag Program Changes	Implementation Status
5	<p>Increase fines for Voice and Sight Evidence Tag Required (B.R.C. 6-13-2) and Dog at Large violations (B.R.C. 6-1-16) to \$100 (maximum), \$200 (maximum), and \$300 (minimum) for first, second and third or more convictions respectively. Provide mechanism for dismissal of tickets for lawful participants who inadvertently failed to display tag.</p> <p>Recommend to the municipal court that the bond amount for dog-related City Manager’s Rule violations (B.R.C. 8-3-3) be increased to \$100.</p>	<p>City Council adopted an ordinance on May 6, 2014 that amends the Boulder Revised Code to include the increased fines.</p>
6	<p>Encourage courts to order such additions to fines for violations of the following ordinances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voice and Sight Evidence Tag Required (B.R.C. 6-13-2), • Dog at Large violations (B.R.C. 6-1-16), • Aggressive Animal Prohibited (B.R.C. 6-1-20) and • Failure to Protect Wildlife (or livestock) (B.R.C. 8-3-5). <p>The court may impose conditions that include without limitation attendance at classes related to the voice and sight control regulations of the city, evaluation or training of the dog to ensure that it is capable of complying with voice and sight control requirements, or the temporary suspension or permanent revocation of voice and sight control privileges.</p>	<p>City Council adopted an ordinance on May 6, 2014 that amends the Boulder Revised Code to include penalties in addition to fines.</p>

Voice and Sight Tag Program Outreach and Notification Efforts

There has been a concerted effort by city staff to notify dog guardians about the Tag Program changes and to call attention to the new class requirement and the availability of the class. Staff has completed the following:

- Six emails to program participants; these emails have been opened 45,680 times, an average of 7,613 people have opened each email, with an open rate of 43 percent,
- Website information www.voiceandsight.org and links on city dog-related Web pages,
- A video of class participants talking about what they learned from the class,
- Three media releases,
- Three Daily Camera news stories,
- Three ads in the paper and online with the Daily Camera,
- Inside Boulder News reports,
- Social media posts,
- Noticed in four OSMP Newsletters,
- Information at the OSMP booth at the Boulder Farmer’s Market,
- Information signs posted at trailheads and access points frequented by dog guardians,
- Visitor outreach at trailheads with staff handing out information palm cards,
- Information at the Ranger Cottage at Chautauqua,
- Three interviews on the KDVR Fox 31,
- Interview on KGNU Morning Magazine,
- Online article in RE/MAX of Boulder’s “The Boulder Source,”
- Ad in the Fall Parks and Recreation Guide,
- Colorado Daily Article in Student Welcome Back section,
- FIDOS provided information on its Website and in three newsletters,
- Dog photography contest events Aug. 9 and Sept. 10,
- Staffed booth at Humane Society of Boulder Valley Doggie Dash event Sept. 6,
- Posters set up at Boulder recreation centers,
- Handed out information at Humane Society of Boulder Valley pancake breakfast event,
- Booth and banner at Dog Days at Scott Carpenter Pool,
- Large signs stationed and rotated between trailheads,
- Outreach and offered two classes for University of Colorado students,
- Boulder utility bill insert for December, and
- Distributed 4000 program brochures.

Staff has distributed flyers and posted flyers on community information boards throughout the city. Locations where the flyer has been distributed include the city’s recreation centers, veterinarian offices, pet stores and dog-related businesses, the Boulder Valley Humane Society, The Longmont Humane Society, and locations where the city posts community information. Signs have also been posted at Parks and Recreation trailheads where the Tag Program applies and the city’s dog parks.

City of Boulder
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING SUMMARY FORM

NAME OF BOARD/COMMISSION: Human Relations Commission
DATE OF MEETING: Nov. 17, 2014
NAME/TELEPHONE OF PERSON PREPARING SUMMARY: Robin Pennington 303-441-1912
NAMES OF MEMBERS, STAFF AND INVITED GUESTS PRESENT: Commissioners – Amy Zuckerman, Shirly White, Emilia Pollauf, Nikhil Mankekar, José Beteta Staff – Carmen Atilano, Robin Pennington, Karen Rahn Commissioners absent - None
WHAT TYPE OF MEETING (CIRCLE ONE) [REGULAR] [SPECIAL] [QUASI-JUDICIAL]
AGENDA ITEM 1 - CALL TO ORDER – The Nov. 17, 2014 HRC meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by A. Zuckerman .
AGENDA ITEM 2 – AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS – Move Postoley’s 2014 CEF report and 2015 CEF proposal to first under Action and Discussion/Informational Items, add Veterans Helping Veterans 2014 CIF report review under Action Items, postpone BarrioE’ 2014 CoIH and CEF reports and 2015 CEF proposal to December, add Event Reports and Follow-up Tasks to Discussion/Informational Items.
AGENDA ITEM 3 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES – E. Pollauf moved to accept the Sept. 15, 2014 minutes. N. Mankekar seconded. Motion carries 5-0. E. Pollauf moved to accept the Oct. 20, 2014 minutes. S. White seconded. Motion carries 5-0.
AGENDA ITEM 4 – COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION (non-agenda action items) – None.
AGENDA ITEM 5 – ACTION ITEMS A. 2014 Celebration of Immigrant Heritage Reports <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Boulder Latino History Project – Linda Arroyo-Holmstrom reported on the reception and presentation of project exhibits held Oct. 9, 2014 at the Museum of Boulder. N. Mankekar moved to approve. J. Beteta seconded. Motion carries 5-0. 2. Boulder Latino Family Project – Phil Hernandez gave a report on the portable banner exhibit that was displayed during the week of Oct. 5 to Oct. 11 in front of the Boulder County Court House and at the Museum of Boulder. J. Beteta moved to approve. S. White seconded. Motion carries 5-0. 3. Motus Theater – Kirsten Wilson reported on the Oct. 11, 2014 performance of “Do You Know Who I am?” at the Boulder Public Library. E. Pollauf moved to approve. N. Mankekar seconded. Motion carries 5-0. B. 2014 Community Event Reports <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Boulder Jewish Festival – Cheryl Fellows reported on the 20th Anniversary Boulder Jewish Festival held on June 8, 2014. S. White moved to approve. E. Pollauf seconded. Motion carries 5-0. 2. Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art – Randee Toler gave a report on the Access Tours and Workshops conducted between Jan. 1 and Nov. 17, 2014 at BMoCA. N. Mankekar moved to approve. J. Beteta seconded. Motion carries 5-0. 3. Out Boulder – Samantha Feld reported on the events during the week preceding and the day of Pridefest, held on Sept. 14, 2014. J. Beteta moved to approve. E. Pollauf seconded. Motion carries 5-0. 4. Postoley – Tom Masterson gave a report on the 2014 Folk Dancing on the Plaza events held during the summer of 2014. S. White moved to approve. E. Pollauf seconded.

Motion carries 5-0.

C. Community Impact Fund - Veterans Helping Veterans Now – The commissioners reviewed the budget statement for the 2014 CIF grant which was reported on at the October meeting. **J. Beteta moved** to approve. **E. Pollauf seconded. Motion carries 5-0.**

AGENDA ITEM 6 – DISCUSSION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. 2015 Community Event Applications

- 1. Motus Theater** – Kirsten Wilson and Kate Kelsch gave an overview of the 2015 proposal for “One Action.”
- 2. Boulder Jewish Festival** – Cheryl Fellows presented the proposal for the 2015 Boulder Jewish Festival.
- 3. Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art** – Randee Toler presented the 2015 BMoCA Día del Niño proposal.
- 4. Out Boulder** – Samantha Feld reviewed the proposal for Pridefest 2015.
- 5. Postoley** – Tom Masterson presented the proposal for the 2015 Folk Dancing on the Plaza.
- 6. Bridge House (Homeless Person’s Memorial, Kids Give Back Thanksgiving Dinner)** – Shane Wyenn presented the two Bridge House proposals for 2015.

B. Living Wage Issue – C. Atilano reviewed the logistics for the Living Wage public hearings to occur on Dec. 4 and Dec. 7, 2014.

C. Housing and Social Security Number – This item was tabled to December.

D. Questions from City Council – C. Atilano reviewed the process and timeline for answering the Questions from City Council.

E. HRC 2015 Work Plan – C. Atilano requested that commissioners review the 2014 Work Plan and provide input for the 2015 Work Plan at the December meeting.

F. Event Reports – **E. Pollauf** attended the Oct. 21, 2014 Veterans Awareness Series event. **N. Mankekar** attended the CU Summit on Diversity and Inclusivity on Nov. 12, 2014.

G. Follow Up Tasks – File the September and October minutes, reschedule the BarrioE’ CoIH and CEF reports and CEF proposal to December, request clarification on the 2015 CEF proposal budget from Out Boulder, request that a written report from Bridge House for the Kids Give Back Thanksgiving Dinner event be received prior to the December meeting, draft a memo to City Council on Living Wage.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – IMMEDIATE ACTION ITEMS – None.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – Adjournment – **S. White moved** to adjourn the Nov. 17, 2014 meeting. **E. Pollauf seconded** the motion. **Motion carries 5-0.** The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

TIME AND LOCATION OF ANY FUTURE MEETINGS, COMMITTEES OR SPECIAL HEARINGS: Special hearings on Living Wage will be held on Dec. 4, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. at the West Senior Center, 909 Arapahoe and on Dec. 7, 2014 at 2:30 p.m. at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 2312 14th St. The next regular meeting of the HRC will be Dec. 15, 2014 at 6 p.m. at 1777 West Conference Room, Municipal Building, 1777 Broadway St.



CITY OF BOULDER
Boards and Commissions Minutes

NAME OF COMMISSION: Open Space Board of Trustees
DATE OF MEETING: November 12, 2014
NAME/EXTENSION OF PERSON PREPARING SUMMARY: Leah Case x3440
NAMES OF MEMBERS, STAFF AND INVITED GUESTS PRESENT: MEMBERS: Tom Isaacson, Shelley Dunbar, Frances Hartogh, Molly Davis, Kevin Bracy Knight STAFF: Mike Patton, Jim Reeder, Mark Gershman, Linda Vandervort, Lauren Kolb, Heather Swanson, Will Keeley, Steve Armstead, Don D'Amico, Alyssa Frideres, Leah Case, Phil Yates
TYPE OF MEETING: <u>REGULAR</u> CONTINUATION SPECIAL
SUMMATION: AGENDA ITEM 1- Approval of the Minutes Shelley Dunbar moved to approve the minutes from Oct. 23, 2014 as amended. Tom Isaacson seconded. This motion passed unanimously. AGENDA ITEM 2- Public Participation Randy Winter, Boulder, expressed his concern for self closing gates on OSMP. These are dangerous for equestrians. He suggested some other options to benefit equestrians in addition to other user groups. Suzanne Webel, Longmont, spoke to the Board about the group, Boulder Area Trails Coalition (BATCO). She showed the Board a copy of their updated trails map that includes areas from the West TSA. AGENDA ITEM 3- Director's Updates Research Program Will Keeley, Wildlife Ecologist, gave a presentation on various Open Space and Mountain Parks (OSMP) research projects. Voice and Sight Tag Program Steve Armstead, Environmental Planner, gave an update on the Voice and Sight Tag Program. Council retreat questions for Boards and Commissions Mike Patton, Open Space and Mountain Parks (OSMP) Director, reminded the Board they will need to come up with questions to send to council for their retreat. The Board will be ready to discuss this at their next meeting in December.

Prairie Dog Relocation

Heather Swanson, Wildlife Ecologist, gave an update to the Board on several areas OSMP is relocating prairie dog colonies.

AGENDA ITEM 4- Matters from the Board

The Board asked for an update on the survey staff is doing in Sunshine Canyon. Tom noted that the opening of Royal Arch Trail was the last trail OSMP had closed due to the flood.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Consideration of a motion to approve a conservation easement amendment on the property owned by the Graham Casden 2009 Trust at 5097 Flagstaff Rd.*

Linda Vandervort, Conservation Easement Specialist, gave a presentation to the Board explaining a potential amendment to a Conservation Easement (CE). OSMP staff supports this amendment because it improves the original CE and is a benefit to the OSMP program.

This item spurred one motion:

Shelley Dunbar moved the Open Space Board of Trustees approve the conservation easement amendment on the property owned by the Graham Casden 2009 Trust at 5097 Flagstaff Rd., as written in Attachment F, and waive the amendment fee. Tom Isaacson seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – Consideration of a motion to approve a conservation easement amendment on the property owned by Epaka Holdings, LLC at 8104 N. 63rd St.*

Linda Vandervort, Conservation Easement Specialist, gave a presentation to the Board explaining a potential CE amendment. OSMP staff supports this amendment because it improves the original CE and is a benefit to the OSMP program. In particular, it supports local organic food production and preserves agricultural operations in Boulder County as well as further restricts development on the property.

This item spurred one motion:

Kevin Bracy Knight moved the Open Space Board of Trustees approve a conservation easement amendment as shown in attachment F on the property owned by Epaka Holdings, LLC at 8104 N. 63rd St. and waive the amendment fee. Shelley Dunbar seconded. This motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – Consideration of a motion pertaining to development of a trail on the Joder Open Space and Mountain Parks property.*

Mike Patton, Open Space and Mountain Parks Director, gave a presentation to the Board on the Joder property.

This item spurred one motion:

Shelley Dunbar moved the Open Space Board of Trustees recommends that visitor access to Joder property should be considered prior to the North TSA process and ask that staff return to this Board with some options for that access that would utilize existing trail networks and roads as much as possible. Kevin Bracy Knight seconded. This motion passed three to two; Frances Hartogh and Molly Davis dissented.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

ATTACH BRIEF DETAILS OF ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Many members from the public spoke in regard to the Joder Property. All were in favor of opening this property to the public and all user groups. Some felt it would be important to open this immediately to provide the needed trail connection, but others said they would support waiting until the North TSA. This would allow staff to evaluate the surrounding habitat as well as additional parking where users would not have to cross the highway.

TIME AND LOCATION OF ANY FUTURE MEETINGS, COMMITTEES OR SPECIAL HEARINGS:

The next OSBT meeting will be Dec. 10, 2014.

**CITY OF BOULDER, COLORADO
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING MINUTES**

Name of Board / Commission: Water Resources Advisory Board	
Date of Meeting: 15 September 2014	
Contact Information of Person Preparing Minutes: Andrea Flanagan 303.413.7372	
Board Members Present: Vicki Scharnhorst, Dan Johnson, Mark Squillace, Lesley Smith, Ed Clancy Board Members Absent: None	
Staff Present: Jeff Arthur, Director of Public Works for Utilities Bob Harberg, Principal Engineer - Utilities Katie Knapp, Engineering Project Manager Annie Noble, Flood and Greenways Engineering Coordinator Kurt Bauer, Engineering Project Manager - Utilities Bret Linenfelder, Water Quality and Environmental Services Manager Joe Taddeucci, Water Resources Manager Joanna Bloom, Source Water Administrator Andrea Flanagan, Board Secretary	
Cooperating Agencies Present: Craig Jacobson, Principal Engineer, ICON Engineering	
Meeting Type: Regular	
Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order	[7:01 p.m.]
Agenda Item 2 – Approval of the 18 August 2014 Meeting Minutes: [7:01 p.m.] 18 August minutes: Motion to approve minutes from August 18th as presented. Moved by: Squillace ; Seconded by: Johnson Vote: 5:0	
Agenda Item 3 – Public Participation and Comment	[7:02 p.m.]
Public Comment: None Board follow up: None	
Agenda Item 4 –	[7:03 p.m.]
Public Hearing and Consideration of a Recommendation to City Council Regarding Floodplain Mapping Updates for Skunk Creek, Bluebell Canyon Creek, and King’s Gulch Katie Knapp and Utilities staff presented the item to the board, which included a PowerPoint presentation.	
Executive Summary from the Packet Materials: Floodplain mapping provides the basis for flood management by identifying the areas subject to the greatest risk of flooding. This information is essential for determining areas where life safety is threatened and property damage is likely and is the basis for floodplain regulations and the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The city’s floodplain maps need to be periodically updated to reflect changes in the floodplain resulting from land development, flood mitigation improvements, new topographic mapping information and new mapping study technologies.	
The Skunk Creek Floodplain Mapping Update includes the King’s Gulch, Skunk and Bluebell Canyon Creek floodplains between the city limits to east of Foothills Parkway where Skunk Creek confluences into Bear Canyon Creek as shown in red below.	

- City of San Francisco and the County Water District there has recommended that fluoride in drinking water should not be used in bottled milk for infants and whether there is a duty to warn about potential health risks to children? Recommending additional discussion at next WRAB meeting.
- Are children especially vulnerable to fluoride and the use of formula milk, based on concerns expressed in said studies?

Board member Scharnhorst brought up the below matter(s):

- Attended community flood event and felt it was very good. Thanks to staff for all the hours of hard work that were invested, post-flood.

From Staff:

[8:45p.m.]

Northern Water Study: Northern performed recent financial analysis of its CBT rates starting in 2013 and started rolling out process to allottees in January, 2014 for review and comment, which included January informational meeting. Comprehensive presentation of rate study at spring user's meeting. Solicited input from allottees and city staff felt their study was a thorough and comprehensive analysis of their rates. Most questions and comments were regarding fixed rate contracts.

- Half of revenue comes from property taxes and prior to 2008 recession, saw about an 8% increase in revenue and after that, went flat. Conducted rate study using industry standard cost of service model. Different categories of contracts that they have, factored in ability to pay for their irrigation class customers. Study looked at different sources of revenue, but limited in what board of directors can influence on total revenue. CBT Assessments contribute about 20% of Northern's total revenue and of that, 2/3 is from \$2.00 per unit fixed rate contracts and the remainder is from \$28 per unit open rate contracts. Open rate assessments are going to increase in a stepped manner beginning in 2015 with the goal of rebuilding Northern's reserves over the next several years.
- Summary highlights: our current CBT bill is around \$260,000.00 based on the mixture of open and fixed rate contracts. By 2018, this bill would go up to around \$500,000.00, causing a noticeable rate increase.
- A board member suggested the city explore alternative water sources to Northern's. CBT shares are one of the only types of freely marketable water rights in the country, which is unique.
- In 2009, the city's Source Water Master Plan was completed, with recommendation to consider getting rid of rest of Windy Gap shares. Eliminating CBT shares was not something recommended in the SWMP, although we are always thinking about the effect that future compact calls could have on west slope supplies.

Water Budget: One-on-one outreach conducted between staff and businesses has highlighted frustration and concern about rate structure in terms of whether these are equitable across customer types. The level of concern is such that it is worth additional follow-up. Potentially get into close look at rates starting next year, and future conversations with board early next year to get recommendation for future for changes.

- The stormwater monthly fee and formula may not work well with particularly large sites. Suggestion to take a look at possible alternatives for limited number of very large users who have these unique situations.

Study Session: Study session scheduled September 30th with City Council on flood topics, with updated version of presentation by Wright Water Engineers, as well as a high level information about mitigation mapping studies and how to best move these studies through future agendas. Will also check in with Council about South Boulder Creek after presenting to Open Space Board of Trustees and received a motion from them regarding impacts to open space. Would like to also receive Council's thoughts on what considerations they would like to see around upstream of 36 option.

Agenda Item 6 – Future Schedule

[9:18 p.m.]

- October Information Item: Update on Twomile/Upper Goose Creek Mapping Studies (Bauer)
- October Update on Skunk, Bluebell, King's Gulch Mapping Study
- October Information Item: Update on Gregory Creek Mitigation
- October Matters Item: Update on Wright Water Rainfall/Recurrence Analysis
- November Information Item: Update on Twomile/Upper Goose Creek Mapping Studies (Bauer)
- December Update on Betasso

Public Comment:

- **Christina Jurgens** – Concerns are with the Bluebell and that there were no diversions, which isn't reflected accurately in the mapping presented. Question is if a lot of water falls in the area, water will not flow uphill to 19th street and over Columbine if it's natural direction is downhill. She would like for this to be considered when moving forward with the amendment.
- **Bryan Boots** – Owns a home at 20th and Columbine, which is in a newly designated hazard zone. He was completely unaware of the changes in zoning and is feeling like he is coming to the conversation late. Questions the assumptions that are going into this decision making and having a hard time reconciling the recent studies with what he actually experienced last September. He would like to better understand the next steps in the process regarding what is decided. It doesn't seem reasonable to put the burden on residents. He is requesting better, more effective outreach to citizens.
- **Tim Fuller-Rowell** – Lives on Columbine Avenue, which is affected by the new floodplain, which now makes up half of his property. Increase in the water table flooded the basement. Flow down Mariposa didn't affect us. Rock dam broke causing a flash flood and persistent rainfall and wonders if that was factored into the analysis, but didn't see any major flow on Columbine. Wants to understand the actual impact of flood to his property and physical reasons why it is now included on the floodplain. What is the process for deciding how the new boundaries are drawn and decided? Premature to start approving a new floodplain before the previous event is fully understood and would like the city to have more interaction with the people who are actually affected.
- **Jamie Krapohl** – Property owner affected by the proposed flow split changes at 15th is his major concern. He didn't observe what is being shown on the maps and feels there is a lack of correlation in how the split affects these three blocks. On the Saturday of the flood, he was at 15th and Mariposa and didn't observe any diversions that were put into place by residents. The flooding on his corner was due to the Anderson Ditch overflowing, which is not represented in the changes. Since the open house, he has reached out to neighbors, but there are many renters around his property. He contacted three other property owners and informed them of the recent flood mapping changes. Feels that neighbors were not aware of these new changes. Concerned with the accuracy of the models, based on observations from walking around the neighborhood and what is being reflected in the updated maps. He feels this just doesn't make sense.

Motion by: Johnson; **Seconded:** Smith

Motion to recommend that City Council adopt the Skunk Creek floodplain mapping update including potential additional refinements made prior to Council's consideration and with the understanding that should such additional refinements result in substantial modifications to affected properties, that WRAB would have the opportunity to review the results prior to Council's review

Vote: 3-2, Motion Passes (Clancy, Squillace Opposed)

Opposition Statement by Clancy: People have a right to a peer-review process and an additional outside party should be asked to review findings. Icon Engineering was the only company to review the findings and this does not constitute peer review. This process would benefit greatly from a peer-review process.

Agenda Item 5 – Matters

[8:33 p.m.]

From the Board:

Board Member Smith brought up the below matter(s):

- Attended flood commemorative event and acknowledges that staff members put a lot of work into this event. The Science of Disaster Planning Research and Response featured excellent panels talking about the flood in terms of science, social science and climate science, where she learned about new technology called non-contact radar sensors to measure stream flows. She is impressed by these new, modern sensors used on bridges to monitor stream flows to gather data. Professor and hydrologist from CSU spoke about importance of diversity in floodplains.

Board member Johnson brought up the below matter(s):

- Communication about budget used to hire additional staff to have more resources, but there are questions staff had relative to improvements that might be made. Suggests maybe taking a step back instead of taking the approach to reline the conduits right now in order to get a better return on our investment.

Board Member Clancy brought up the below matter(s):



Engineering consultants provided hydraulic modeling to update the existing Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and City of Boulder floodplains, water surface elevations, conveyance and high hazard zones.

The proposed mapping of the Skunk Creek Floodplain would result in a net:

- Increase of 44 structures identified in the 100-year floodplain;
- Decrease of 27 structures identified in the conveyance zone and;
- Decrease of 17 structures identified in the high hazard zone.

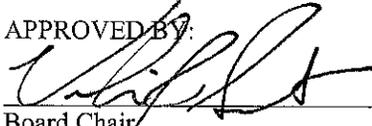
WRAB Discussion Included:

- Questions about whether the assumptions on which the study is based are going to be posted on the website?
- Questions about whether the information presented is complete enough to allow the WRAB to make a recommendation today.
- Discussion around whether the board feels the mapping is substantially incomplete. The board always reserves the right to request additional updates.
- Questions regarding how the determination of the 100-year flood plain boundaries are determined; Whether individuals have the opportunity to review this and have changes made based upon new findings; Whether the additional communication that was recommended by board with the affected parties is under way?
- Questions about what happens with flood insurance and CU after additional analysis is completed? Is the flood insurance policy affected?
- Very good job with timeline and the flood mapping regarding mitigation steps.
- Confusion expressed regarding the volume of rain and the accuracy if in a drainageway.
- If the suggested motion does move forward, board requests information back regarding the high hazard zone delineations and the distribution of the Bluebell Canyon Creek split flow paths downstream of 15th Street. Most residents live after the split shown in the flood mapping; question if this going to be revisited? Board requests explanation as to the reasoning and suggests maybe holding off on approval.
- Discussion regarding further refinements to the mapping and the possibility of moving affected residents' properties out of the floodplain.
- Questions about whether this study by ICON Engineering is going to be peer-reviewed and how many floodplain maps from the past have not been peer-reviewed?
- Questions regarding actual flows up Columbine and how they compare to the flood mapping predictions. Concerns with how residents are being notified and how addresses are obtained for issuing announcements.
- Mention of rock dam that burst during the flood. Questions seeking confirmation on whether this event happened or not.
- Questions about FEMA requirements and whether or not standard debris flow gets modeled?
- Question about next steps in making a motion to Council and the intended communications that will go out to residents prior to presenting to Council?

Adjournment [9:21 p.m.]
There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, by motion regularly adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.
Motion to adjourn by: Squillace; Seconded by: Johnson
Motion Passes 5:0

Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting:
The next WRAB meeting will be Monday, 20 October 2014 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 1777 Broadway, 80302.

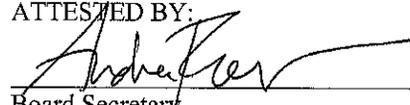
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Board Chair

11/17/2014
Date

ATTESTED BY:



Board Secretary

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**CITY OF BOULDER, COLORADO
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING MINUTES**

Name of Board / Commission: Water Resources Advisory Board	
Date of Meeting: 20 October 2014	
Contact Information of Person Preparing Minutes: Andrea Flanagan 303.413.7372	
Board Members Present: Vicki Scharnhorst, Mark Squillace, Lesley Smith, Ed Clancy Board Members Absent: Dan Johnson	
Staff Present: Jeff Arthur, Director of Public Works for Utilities Robert Harberg, Principal Engineer - Utilities Katie Knapp, Engineering Project Manager Annie Noble, Flood and Greenways Engineering Coordinator Kristin Dean, Utilities Planner Bret Linenfelser, Water Quality and Environmental Services Manager Chris Douville, Wastewater Treatment Manager Andrea Flanagan, Board Secretary	
Cooperating Agencies Present: Alan Turner, Senior Project Manager, CH2M HILL	
Meeting Type: Regular	
Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order	[7:00 p.m.]
Agenda Item 2 – Approval of the 15 September 2014 Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve minutes as amended from September 15th as presented. Page Moved by: Squillace; Seconded by: Smith Vote: 4:0	[7:01 p.m.]
Agenda Item 3 – Public Participation and Comment Public Comment: None Board follow up: None	[7:02 p.m.]
Agenda Item 4 – Public Hearing and Discussion of Gregory Creek Mitigation Alternatives Katie Knapp and Utilities staff presented the item to the board, which included a Prezi presentation.	[7:03 p.m.]
<p>Executive Summary from the Packet Materials: The purpose of this memorandum is to provide a general summary of the preliminary proposal for flood mitigation measures to facilitate improved flood conveyance along Gregory Canyon Creek as it traverses the City of Boulder from Flagstaff Rd. to its confluence with Boulder Creek.</p> <p>The city has retained CH2MHill to evaluate potential alternatives to help alleviate future flooding along Gregory Canyon Creek. CH2MHill has conducted a study of the creek corridor and developed three sets of categorical options which would improve flood conveyance. These categories include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improvements in Public Right-of-Way and Easements; 2. Improvements outside Public Right-of-Way and Easements; and, 3. Improvements for street conveyance. <p>CH2MHill’s Alternative Analysis Memorandum (“Analysis”) is included as Attachment A. This analysis contains a detailed description of the data and models used to determine the improvements which would help flood conveyance along Gregory Canyon Creek. The intent of the draft mitigation plan is to identify various types of improvements which could be constructed along the creek corridor in order to discern the costs and benefits associated with each improvement, or group of improvements, and to prioritize these improvements.</p>	
<p>WRAB Discussion Included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions about whether or not there has been a cost benefit analysis performed yet? • Questions regarding staff’s sense of potential merits of using street conveyance as an option? • Suggestion to consider alternative safety signage in the event of a flood to prevent bottle necks and involve the University through outreach to student housing. • Discussion regarding private culverts and if there is a potential plan to address this. 	

- Questions about whether there has been positive feedback about the drainageways and easements.
- Comments about the need to clear cars, grills and fences from areas that are prone to flooding. Questions as to what thought is given to providing instructions and educational programs for people when there is a flood?
- Questions about whether smaller group meetings could take place with property owners/ early adopters interested in getting larger culverts, driven by neighborhood groups rather than city government. Possible way to get more people on board to consider this plan for street conveyance.
- Discussion about looking into smaller detention and viable ways to help keep culverts clear.
- Questions about if smaller detentions on open space a viable option?
- Questions about how many private culverts exist?
- Questions to the board about whether the approach to smaller culverts is reasonable or should larger culverts be considered.
- Discussion around how the city gets buy-in for the city to maintain a conveyance system, as there are reservations for the city to spend money without buy-in from the residents who would benefit.
- Question if city has talked to residents about setting up a watershed focus group to discuss watersheds that the city could cooperate with.
- Mention of potential to provide incentives for community and city to work together to clean out streams and keep trees down to collectively solve issues.
- Question about costs associated with clearing areas around houses in high hazard zone.
- Statement that street conveyance option has broad support among community and appears to be a cost-effective option. Is this a fair guess of what we are likely to see?
- Question about if this watershed will flash quickly during a storm event?
- Question about whether the city has spoken with landowners in the Willow Brook area about ideas on how to better protect their properties?
- Discussion of putting soccer field in the low-lying area where the major flow would take place.
- Request to see more discussion about outreach to community in advance and during rain events.

Public Comment:

- **Keith Pearen** – Lives near Flatirons Elementary School, really appreciates where city is going with their plan and agrees that conveying a 100 year flood out of the question. Read study in its entirety. Alternatives proposed do not necessarily match what actually happened on the ground during the flood. Problematic area during this event that may not adequately be addressed at 7th. Does not have a strong feeling on option three in the roadway. Feels that spending money to make the roads convey without hurting property is money well spent. People are open to having flood mitigation done on their properties, but there are possible challenges there. Impressed with how accurately earlier studies match up with what was seen during the flood event. May be able to leverage earlier studies going forward.
- **Justin Hoffenberg** – Lives midway on creek and has specific question regarding two maps and noticed there is a chart in attachment A that shows different culverts and what improvements would look like in a 10-year plan or maximum culvert (35x6). The 10 and 50 year maps only show maximum 50-year extent. Comments were heard during open house questioning this finding showing 35 foot culverts on the 10-year map, which isn't actual benchmark for 10-year event. Requests clarification whether the maps reflect 10-year or maximum numbers and asks if maps need updating.
- **Scott Hoffenberg** – Wants to thank the board for hearing the neighborhood last year and putting neighborhood's name out there for potential for growth, which shows a lot of thought. Concerns about map showing 35-foot culvert and hopes that Board will take closer look at document from CH2M Hill to address and consider street conveyance. Appreciates Board taking a closer look at this creek and looks forward to the future.
- **Laszlo Nemeth** – Didn't have problems like University and 7th. Suggests putting energy into conveyance because Mother Nature is going to decide, not what planners decide. Water went back into Gregory Creek because a car diverted it. This area is packed with cars and not enough parking.
- **Tom Manteuffel** – Lives on College and appreciates looking into this issue. Mentioned culvert at College Avenue, which was filled with fences and BBQ grills that were piled into

culvert, forcing water to run over the creek onto other properties. Suggests looking at this issue and better advising people not to put objects in the creek bed. Mentioned 22-foot wide culvert at Aurora and feels that a 35-foot culvert is too excessive.

- **Hal Totten** – Lives on College, family built house in 1950. At height of flood, banks took all the flood waters, bank to bank and held a 1.5 – 2 feet of water before touching his foundation. Some of the street did have water conveying and he built diversion with 2x4's which diverted water down College, past Flatiron Elementary School. According to charts – what happened on College is being compared to what happened on Pennsylvania, which are not comparable. Stone bridge on his property has weathered 3 major storm events in his lifetime, which is a good model.
- **Brad Sclar** - Lives below Anderson Ditch. Asks what kind of incentive programs are being considered for property owners to keep stream beds clean?
- **Paul Shankman** - Lives at 7th and Pleasant and thinks that street conveyance is a good idea. With some work on 7th, a lot of the damage could have been avoided. East side was severely damaged. Could make a difference in the future with better street conveyance.

No Board action was requested at this time.

Agenda Item 5 – Matters

[8:11 p.m.]

From the Board:

Board Member Smith brought up the below matter(s):

- Question regarding businesses and water bills, would there be incentive and/or adjustment to stormwater bills if these large surface areas can be converted from pavement to a more pervious surface area, which could potentially be reflected in their bill?

Board Member Clancy brought up the below matter(s):

- Requested to extend water quality report warning on fluoride in city's drinking water for seven individual groups of vulnerable populations to address more specifics surrounding fluoride in infant formula. Asking that a CDC warning be included on the report and on the city's website, modeling that of other city municipalities.
- Feels that people should be properly noticed.
- Expressed concerns for higher risks of fluorosis in infants due to fluoride in water.
- Asked the question if there exists an annual report on wastewater treatment effluent that is made available to the public?
- Noticed that Boulder Reservoir water levels are low. Asked if this is something the city controls and monitors?

Board member Scharnhorst brought up the below matter(s):

- Questioned whether a utility bill insert would suffice as a means to providing information about CDC's opinion on study of fluoride in drinking water that may affect infant baby formula.
- Expressed that if we start down the path of providing information to the public about fluoride, then Council should be prepared to put the topic back on the ballot.

Board member Squillace brought up the below matter(s):

- Expressed concern that if a recommendation is made to the public about fluoride in water, that it could create a fury for people to react to, which should be carefully considered.
- Suggests before making any recommendations, that all consequences be considered and caution should be exercised to prevent triggering reactions in the general public.

From Staff:

[8:31p.m.]

- **Chris Douville and Bret Linenfelter will provide some brief updates on wastewater treatment and nutrients.** *Topics included:*
 - Permit compliance items regarding energy efficiency
 - Nutrient Management Grant
 - Nitrogen Upgrades Design Project
 - Permit renewal due and will expire in April, 2016
 - EnerNOC Demand Response Program
 - Alternative energy and options to modify and modernize cogeneration
 - Process optimization studies
- **South Boulder Creek:** Still waiting for additional information from CH2M Hill about scenarios involving University property.
- **Wonderland Creek Mitigation:** Funding is not atypical, need Council's authorization for potential imminent domain. First reading in November and second reading in December, which would be a last resort for negotiations.

- **Lower Bear Canyon Creek:** Board approved a motion recommending approval of the mapping study. It will be presented to Council at a later time.
- **Boulder Slough:** Board approved a motion recommending approval of the mapping study. It will be presented to Council at a later time.
- **Skunk, Bluebell, King's Gulch:** Additional work was completed on 15th and Mariposa and this topic will be revisited with the board at a later time with notable updates.
- **Frasier Meadow's Neighborhood:** Lining the wastewater collection system appears to be effectively reducing infiltration. Suggestion made for staff to put together outreach materials for residents.
- **Budget:** Recommendation for rate increases go to City Council on October 21st.

Agenda Item 6 – Future Schedule

[9:00p.m.]

- Possible November 8th WRAB retreat to be scheduled to discuss priorities and interests for 2015.
- November: Update on Upper Twomile Goose Creek
- December: Update on Betasso CIP
- January 26th meeting is scheduled for 4th Monday rather than 3rd for WRAB board meeting, due to Martin Luther King Jr. holiday
- February 23rd meeting is scheduled for 4th Monday rather than 3rd for WRAB board meeting, due to Presidents' Day holiday.

Adjournment

[9:27 p.m.]

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, by motion regularly adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by: Squillace; **Seconded by:** Smith

Motion Passes 4:0

Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting:

The next WRAB meeting will be Monday, 17 November 2014 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 1777 Broadway, 80302.

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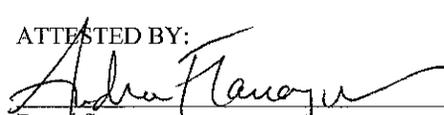

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**AMERICAN INDIANS COMMITTEE NATIONAL SOCIETY
DAUGHTERS of the AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

**AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH
November 2014**

WHEREAS, the history and culture of our great nation have been significantly influenced by American Indians and indigenous peoples; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of American Indians have enhanced the freedom, prosperity and greatness of America today; and

WHEREAS, the customs and traditions are respected and celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Native American Awareness Week began in 1976 and recognition was expanded by Congress and approved by President George Bush in August 1990, designating the month of November as National American Heritage History Month; and

WHEREAS, in honor of American Indian Heritage Month, community celebrations, as well as numerous cultural and artistic, educational and historical activities have been planned.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED by the City Council of the City of Boulder that November is

National American Indian Heritage Month

and urge all our citizens to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Matthew Appelbaum, Mayor

**Boulder Colorado Companies to Watch Month
November 1-30, 2014**

WHEREAS, the Governor of Colorado initiated an annual *Colorado Companies to Watch* award program in 2009 to recognize second-stage companies with high potential for future growth; and

WHEREAS, from hundreds of nominations, only 50 companies from throughout the state are selected for the award each year and six of the *Colorado Companies to Watch* award winners in 2013 and six of the winners in 2014 are from Boulder, and

WHEREAS, these twelve Boulder companies: Connect First, Doc Popcorn, eGauge Systems, Gravity Renewables, Green Garage, Isonas, JustRight Surgical, Minute Key, Populus, Quick Left, Stratom and TeamSnap represent a broad range of industries; and

WHEREAS, these twelve Boulder companies support the local and state economy by providing more than 250 jobs in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Boulder economy benefits from the expenditures that these companies make in the local community and the wages they pay; and

WHEREAS, the city of Boulder benefits from the innovation and entrepreneurial spirit of these companies and their involvement in the community,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED by the City Council of the City of Boulder, Colorado, that November 1-30, 2014 is

Boulder Colorado Companies to Watch Month

Matthew Appelbaum, Mayor

First United Methodist Church Day
November 23, 2014

WHEREAS, early in 1859, the twenty-three-year-old Rev. Jacob Adriance was sent by the Methodist Bishop of Nebraska to minister to the gold camps of north central Colorado; and

WHEREAS, by the end of that year, Rev. Adriance had founded four Methodist congregations in the area, in Central City, Golden, Auraria (now Denver), and Boulder, all of which have served their communities continuously since that time; and

WHEREAS, on August 12, 1859, Rev. Adriance preached to a small gathering of people in a private home in the city of Boulder, thought to be the first formal religious service in the new community; and

WHEREAS, the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Boulder, the oldest congregation in the city, was formally founded on November 27, 1859; and

WHEREAS, this Methodist Church has stood on its site at 14th and Spruce Streets since 1872; and

WHEREAS, First United Methodist Church has actively been involved in spiritual, musical, and social justice concerns of the community for 155 years; and

WHEREAS, 2014 marks the 155th Anniversary of the founding of these four continuously operating churches in their respective communities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Boulder, do hereby declare November 23, 2014 as

First United Methodist Church Day

in the City of Boulder, and urge all members of the community to join in recognizing this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Matthew Appelbaum, Mayor