

# Meeting *notes*

## CU South Process Subcommittee

August 28, 2020; 11:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting (*remote meeting*)

**Committee Members:** Mayor **Sam Weaver** and Council Member **Rachel Friend**

**Facilitator:** Jean Gatza

**Note-taker:** Holly Opansky

**Staff:** Joanna Bloom, Dan Burke, Brandon Coleman, David Gehr, Sarah Huntley, Philip Kleisler, John Potter, Gerrit Slatter, Douglas Sullivan, and Joe Taddeucci

**Attendees from the public:** John Berggren, Ben Binder, Raymond Bridge, Pat Carden, B. Collins, Donald Cote, Francis Draper (University of Colorado), David Ensign (PB), GC George, John Gerstle (PB), Kathie Joyner, Marki LaCompte, Peter Mayer, Gordon McCurry (WRAB), Carol Norby, Danica Powell, Harlin Savage, Lynn Segal, Nicole Speer, Steven Telleen, Laura Tyler, Kirk Vincent, as well as attendees with screen names Alicia, Curt, Jeremy, 703-801-5722

## Agenda and Notes

### Summary of South Boulder Creek process advisory group meetings

- **Summary of budget, schedule and scope**
  - J. Bloom mentioned the *purpose of the group is to be responsive to the second half of council's June 16 request and further explore the upstream option requested by OSBT. The scope of the work is focused on answering OSBT questions. The deliverable will likely be a document that identifies more detail from the modeling from existing work or any additional work that may be needed. The budget for any additional work will be limited to the tens of thousands or otherwise need additional council approval; the planned schedule will include informal updates to WRAB and Planning Board and a formal presentation to OSBT prior to returning to City Council on December 15. This date has been pushed back two weeks to be able to incorporate November OSBT feedback into council presentation.*
  - S. Weaver suggested the information be shared with under Council Matters, unless a vote is needed then public comment would be the best course.
- **Schedule next advisory group meeting**
  - Council members confirmed that Friday, September 18 from 12-2 p.m. worked for schedules.
- **December city council meeting**

### Variant 1 100-year flood project design update

- B. Coleman highlighted the geotechnical and ground water studies and designs were progressing. J. Taddeucci continued that this updated flood design could go to council in December.
- Both S. Weaver and R. Friend concurred that flood design updates to council such as geotechnical and groundwater could happen before December, then annexation and upstream topics at the Dec council meeting.

- Answering an inquiry about other parts of the project, B. Coleman mentioned that the team was currently working with Army Corps of Engineers part of the federal permitting process to address the impact on wetlands; he noted that they plan to work with CDOT approval as well.
- R. Friend requested a depiction of what the flood wall would look like; J. Taddeucci / B. Coleman mentioned that the original consultant will update the renderings and offer what the ideas could look like on the ground.

#### **Staff Team update**

- J. Taddeucci clarified the staff team structure as follows: J. Taddeucci serves as the overall spokesperson and cross-department coordination; B. Coleman and D. Sullivan handle engineering technical issues; P. Kleisler and D. Gehr manage annexation; D. Burke and J. Potter works with Open Space and Mountain Parks topics; J. Bloom handles overall coordination, project management and support of J. Taddeucci.; J. Gatza supports facilitation of this process subcommittee and engagement.

#### **Annexation update**

- P. Kleisler shared that since the last subcommittee meeting in June, city staff and CU staff have met a few times regarding safety and community assets topics. He then mentioned the next steps in the process will be for CU to resubmit plans to the city in October, then city staff has about a month to review and respond. He continued that city staff would then draft a term sheet to share with boards and the public. As far as public engagement focused on information sharing, he will bring a draft plan to the next process subcommittee meeting.
- R. Friend suggested that public input be solicited before the ideas got too far; S. Weaver concurred and suggested soliciting public input on the CU term sheet before staff shares with city council, and before staff responds to CU. PSC Reps requested a brief 15-20 minute update at the Sept. 15 Council meeting.

September 25 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. next process subcommittee meeting

#### **Public Comment:**

**Steven Telleen** requested more expertise dedicated to upstream options, opined that city taxes and fees should not be dedicated to this project, and suggested city staff educate residents on the fees.

**Nicole Speer** expressed support for the annexation process and requested information about the project so she and her neighbors could plan for the impacts.

**Marki Lacompte** expressed appreciation for S. Weaver idea of sharing information with OSBT.

**Ben Bender** expressed interest in further discussion about substance, and suggested staff investigate their authority to use storm water fees to pay for project.

**Gordon McCurry** expressed interested in learning about when the ground water control and spill ways modeling will be available for input.

**Kathie Joyner** expressed interest in learning more about virtual engagement look like and what would the timing of public engagement.

**Don Cote** expressed interest in learning more about the substantive information.

**Harlin Savage** expressed interest in learning more about transportation study and supported the idea of sharing this annexation information city-wide.

**Laura Tyler** expressed support for continued engagement with the public.

**Peter Mayer** supported the process reflecting the importance of the site being a gateway area.

**Lynn Segal** expressed interest in staff properly calculate data.

