

MEETING NOTES

City of Boulder and University of Colorado Coordination on S. Boulder Creek Flood Mitigation/CU South Annexation-IGA Next Steps

Meeting Date: Aug. 22, 2019 3:30pm-5:00pm

Location: CU Conference Room, FL2, Conference Room 158

Meeting Objective: Update on next steps for the flood mitigation project and annexation process.

Attendees:

University of Colorado Staff and Consultants:

- Frances Draper, Vice Chancellor (VC) for Strategic Relations and Communications
- Derek Silva, Executive Director of Real Estate
- Kim Calomino, Director of Local Government and Community Relations
- Ida Mae Isaac, Capital Planning Strategist
- Danica Powell, Trestle Strategy Group

City of Boulder Staff:

- Jim Robertson, Comprehensive Planning Manager
- Philip Kleisler, Senior Planner
- Douglas Sullivan, Principal Engineer for Utilities
- John Potter, Resource & Stewardship Division Manager, Open Space and Mountain Parks Dept.
- David Gehr, Chief Deputy City Attorney
- Joe Taddeucci, Interim Director of Public Works for Utilities
- Brandon Coleman, Engineering Project Manager
- Meghan Wilson, Communications Manager
- Margo Aldrich, Communications Specialist III

Key Discussion Items:

1. Next Steps following:

- **Aug. 13 City Council Meeting**
City staff summarized the outcome of the meeting. Council requested that city staff follow up with CDOT to confirm and/or clarify their position on design components of the Variant 2 concept. Council did not direct staff to pursue additional analysis on Variant 2.
- **Aug. 14 Open Space Board of Trustees Meeting (next meeting is Sept. 11)**
City staff summarized, at a high level, the Open Space Board of Trustees discussion. The board's discussion generally focused on materials needed for its Sept. 11 meeting.
- **Additional Group Discussion included:**
 - Access implications to South Loop Drive as a result of the proposed dam (e.g., roadway slope, visual impacts and costs).
 - The university is interested in better understanding the anticipated project cost estimates of the Variant 1 and Variant 2 concepts.

- The university expressed concerns about the Variant 1, 500-year concept “walling off” the site into an enclave from the city (which could lead to limited marketability). The university may, as a result, wish to request that the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan be amended to permit non-residential development on the site.
- CU Boulder is interested in the city exploring an updated version of the Variant 2 concept that includes the constriction structure being outside of the CDOT right-of-way.
- The city will provide a utility map showing possible connections at the perimeter of the site.
- City staff requested that CU Boulder summarize their request of a side-by-side comparison of the Variant 1 and 2 concepts in a written letter.

2. Annexation Topics

The group did not discuss this item.