

# Meeting *notes*

## CU South Process Subcommittee

May 1, 2020; 11:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting (*remote meeting*)

**Facilitator:** Sarah Huntley

**Note-taker:** Joanna Bloom

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

**Other Invitees:** N/A

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**15 minutes**

**Engagement Update & Schedule:** With focused participation and feedback on specific topics of concern at advisory board meetings.

Monday, April 20                      Water Resources Advisory Board (WRAB)

*Focus of the meeting was to talk about the various flood protection levels being considered and related funding considerations*

April 29- May 13                      Be Heard Boulder Q&A and comment

May 20, 2020                      Public Information Session (*comment only*)

*Thursday*, May 7                      Planning Board

- *Staff will provide status of annexation, overview of flood mitigation project and ask:*

- *If the board has feedback for council for its upcoming deliberation on the flood mitigation project; and*

- *Feedback on several annexation concepts.*

- **Council Member Friend:** *There has been some discussion about whether to have a public hearing in two weeks. Currently, the May 7 meeting will allow for public comment but will not be a public hearing.*

- *The committee requested a placeholder for a May 15 process committee meeting.*

Wednesday, June 3                      Open Space Board of Trustees (OSBT)

*Impacts of ground disturbance to OSMP property. This meeting will be the primary area where these topics will be addressed.*

Tuesday, June 16                      City Council

*Friday, June 5 is the next scheduled Process Subcommittee meeting*

*HOLD May 15 for staff to decide if there is a need for another PSC meeting.*

*Hold 11 a.m. time if we go that route. Staff to confirm Friday, May 8.*

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15 minutes

**Be Heard Boulder site tour**

- 172 people have visited the site; 105 informed; 20 have engaged (asking questions or leaving a comment)
- Received 8 questions. Staff has committed to responding within 5 business days. Questions will be visible on the site once a response is posted.
- Duplicate questions may be responded with “see previous response.”
- Comment form allows for comments but will not have a staff response.
- Worked with CU Boulder on asking which annexation topics the public is most interested in.
- Q&A period is open through May 13. The comment period can be open longer even if the Q&A period ends.
- The Be Heard Boulder site information will be used to inform the Public Information Session
- **Council Member Friend:** Looks fantastic. Delineates things nicely. Won’t take the survey but wants to see the annexation question. Staff will provide
- Site requires registration for the annexation survey.
- Let the public know that their handle will be recorded when their comments are posted. Staff will make a note of that on the site
- **Mayor Weaver:** Page looks good. Interested in responses.

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15 minutes

**Public Information Session**

*Does the process subcommittee have feedback on the proposed approach?*

- May 20, 6-8 p.m. Session will be publicly noticed, so as many City Council members as are interested may attend.
  - Brandon Coleman, Phil Kleisler, Joe Taddeucci, and Sarah Huntley will host the meeting.
  - **Mayor Weaver proposed:**
    - Flood Design overview presentation*
    - Flood Design BHB themes*
    - Annexation overview presentation*
    - Annexation BHB themes*
  - There will be a lot of opportunity to engage on annexation later.
  - **Mayor Weaver:** Don’t take comment at the Public Information Session. Be Heard Boulder is an opportunity to provide written comments. Hearing the same comment from the same folks at this meeting verbally may not be value added.
  - Addressing the Be Heard Boulder information and presenting this information at the Public Information Session is being responsive to community input.
  - Provide a written opportunity at the Public Information Session to raise questions in a chat box if someone has something urgent or new that was not addressed in Be Heard Boulder.
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- Sarah will explore the Q&A options for the webinar so staff can be responsive if themes come up that haven't already been addressed.
  - Staff will adjust the PIS meeting format

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15 minutes

**Public Comment**

**Jim McMillan:** Would prefer more public comment rather than less. Website information and meeting links are difficult to find. Revisit the Guiding Principles. The public is being treated as an irritant. The utility bill identifies Boulder as the number 1 flood risk. Keep BHB up long enough to see all the replies.

**Dave Kuntz:** Review of the schedule, note that there is an OSBT field review at the end of May. Eagerly anticipating it. Board meeting is June 3. Schedule is tight. If anything comes out of the field trip, the turn-around time is tight. Original dates were postponed due to COVID.

**Karen Hollweg:** Appreciate the tours. How will the tour information get to the public? Will OSBT receive all information on June 3 only? Can they receive more information on May 13?

**Bill Williams:** Content related comments. Project should consider ordinance 9.3.9 and include mitigation by the property owner.

**David Ensign:** Planning Board member. Kudos to Planning staff for reaching out to discuss. Looking forward to meeting since 2018.

**Ben Binder:** \$15M cost estimate. Requested detailed breakdown. Did CORA request from CDOT.

**Plan Boulder:** Unacceptable that CU's annexation request is being considered with less information than would be considered in another applications. Desire for a public hearing at the May 7 meeting.

**Council Member Friend:** Can we reach out to specific neighborhoods? Are there specific points of contact that we can reach out to?

**Staff:** We've done a NextDoor post and will look into further notification

**Staff:** Staff has done post cards within the last year

**Alison:** Be Heard Boulder information is hard to find. Have had nine people reach out where to find information on the Be Heard Boulder site. Add more guidance on where to find things. Make sure the information is public. Homeland security was interested in the site staying up for the duration.

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**Mike Duffy:** Looking at the timeframe for Be Heard Boulder. Back and forth Q&A is harder in a virtual environment. Leave the site up longer.

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# South Boulder Creek Flood Mitigation / CU South Annexation Initial Engagement Approach (Q1-Q2, 2020)

*Last Updated: 5/6/2020*

## CITY COUNCIL DECISION TO BE MADE

On June 16, 2020 City Council will hold a public hearing to take action on direction for flood mitigation design. The proposed engagement approach is intended to gather the relevant information for council's decision.

## PROPOSED ENGAGEMENT SCHEDULE

Monday, April 20	Water Resources Advisory Board (WRAB)
April 29- May 13	Be Heard Boulder Q&A and comment
May 20, 2020	Public Information Session ( <i>comment only</i> )
<del>Tuesday</del> Thursday, May 7	Planning Board item under matters
Wednesday, June 3	Open Space Board of Trustees (OSBT)
Tuesday, June 16	City Council

## BOARD AND COUNCIL MEETINGS

**Proposed Approach:** Interested community members can focus their participation and feedback at advisory board meetings that address their topics of concern.

### Planning Board (*no public hearing*)

- Status update
- Input on (i) council's upcoming deliberation on a flood mitigation concept and (ii) initial approaches for converting the guiding principles to annexation terms

### Open Space Board of Trustees (*public hearing*)

- Staff response to OSBT feedback
- Upstream detention viability and open space and environmental mitigation
- Updates to previous recommendations?

### City Council (*public hearing*)

- Feedback from Boards
- Flood project design and schedule updates
- Finalizing the role of the levee (Cost impacts, environmental implications, tradeoffs)
- Action on flood design

**MAY 20 PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION** (Zoom webinar) Presentation to provide information on the flood mitigation project and CU South annexation process

Questions raised and comments made on the Be Heard Boulder forum will inform the staff presentation at the Public Information Session. The Public Information Session will provide an opportunity for public comment, which will be recorded and given to Council in the June 16 meeting materials. The public information session will not include Q&A.

- a. Flood design overview
- b. CU South Annexation: Background & explanation of key topics
- c. Be Heard Boulder themes