



## 2013 Council Retreat **Updated**

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### **ITEMS IDENTIFIED IN JANUARY 15 STUDY SESSION PACKET AS NOT ON THE PROPOSED WORK PLAN**

- No smoking in public places
- 2014 Budget - PBB review; external agreements & partnerships
- Explosion of new rental housing
- Housing Board
- Televising more study sessions
- 15 minute science Tuesdays - broadcasting opportunities; expansion of topic areas
- Zoning issues - low density residential projects
- Annexations - guidelines
- Development Review Process
- Storefront activity in pedestrian streets
- Commercial density bonus in downtown and affordable housing linkage fee
- Real financial impacts of large format retail on infrastructure, workers rights, full cost recovery (Wal-mart)
- Council role in funding awards (Human Services Fund, Housing Fund, etc)
- Neighborhood groups

### **ITEMS CURRENTLY ON THE PROPOSED WORK PLAN BUT REQUIRING FURTHER COUNCIL DISCUSSION AT RETREAT**

- Technology (Social media invitations received by Council; Technology update - Don Ingle to make a presentation on Friday night)
- Oil and gas development/ fracking
- Regional Trails
- Boulder Community Hospital
- Codes - building and energy
- Eco Pass
- Railroad noise

### **ITEMS TO TEE UP FOR 2014**

- Local Food/ Sustainable Agriculture

## ITEMS FROM BOARD/ COMMISSION INPUT

- From the Design Advisory Board:  
*Our Design Guidelines need updating. Most of the Downtown Design Guidelines haven't been touched in 20 years. BDAB has been taking notes. We can use our reviewing experience to improve the guidelines, and the process, if we are given council direction to propose updates. BDAB recently coined the phrase "ransom note facades" to describe the chaotic mix of building materials and wall geometry that our dated Design Guidelines require! BDAB can fix that. We can update the Guidelines to encourage more meaningful, familiar, coherent, and sustainable urban architecture that neighbors can understand and welcome.*
- From the Planning Board:  
*Recommendation B: Clarification of current site review criteria for energy use. There is a significant difference between what the Site Review criteria appear to require in evaluating energy use in Site Review and what recent Planning Board practice has been as regards energy consumption, water consumption and quality, construction waste, heat islands, and renewable energy. BRC Section 9-2-14.h states: "Criteria for Review: No site review application shall be approved unless the approving agency finds that: (2) Site Design: Projects should [meet multiple goals]. In determining whether this subsection is met, the approving agency will consider the following factors:... (F) Building Design, Livability and Relationship to the Existing or Proposed Surrounding Area:... (xi) Buildings minimize or mitigate energy use; support on-site renewable energy generation and/or energy management systems; construction wastes are minimized; the project mitigates urban heat island effects; and the project reasonably mitigates or minimizes water use and impacts on water quality."*