

# CITY OF GREELEY DEPARTMENT AND WORK PROGRAM UPDATES



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Department and Work Program Update

This Department and Work Program Update is being provided as a brief update on the City Manager's Work Program, as well as matters thought to be of general interest or as referred to staff by the City Council.

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CITY MANAGER

**Assistant City Manager Community Building Becky Safarik:**

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #5 UNIVERSITY DISTRICT INITIATIVE HOME PURCHASE PROGRAM**

No new report.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #6 – UNIVERSITY DISTRICT INITIATIVE: INITIATE CANAL SHOPS REDEVELOPMENT**

No new report.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #7 – ESTABLISH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

No new report.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #8 DOWNTOWN HOTEL AND CONFERENCE CENTER**

No new report.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #9 POUFRE RIVER CORRIDOR INITIATIVE 2 GOCO PROPERTY ACQUISITIONS**

No new report.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #10 POUFRE RIVER CORRIDOR INITIATIVE COMPLETE POUFRE GREENWAY MASTER PLAN**

No new report.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #11 POUFRE RIVER CORRIDOR INITIATIVE APPLY FOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT CERTIFICATION**

No new report.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #29 GREELEY IMAGE INITIATIVE YEAR 3**

No new report.

CDBG Annual Process 2016 –Council will hear CDBG applications September 22<sup>nd</sup> and approve the CDBG budget for 2016 on October 6<sup>th</sup>.

HOME

- Habitat North – Work continues on several houses.

Bids received for construction of duplex at Camfield Corner (3<sup>rd</sup> Street & 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue) in development process. Alley paving is complete.

Homes Again Purchase Program

- Work is complete at 418 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Listed for sale at \$169,900.
- 1332 4<sup>th</sup> Street is underway.

Both are reconstruction of housing that was previously demolished.

CDBG

**2014 CDBG activities**

- RVNA continues to draw funds

The alley paving between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets and 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenues (south edge of Camfield Corner) is complete.

**2015 CDBG activities**

- 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue infrastructure Phase III - Underway
- RVNA – still using 2014 funds

Acquisition of River Park Trailer Court, waiting for FEMA-approval of submitted application.

GURA Low interest loan was provided to Steele Properties to assist with the construction of a lower-income housing development – Meadowview – on 29<sup>th</sup> Street, west of 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The project's other funding comes from low-income housing tax credits and CDBG-DR.

G-Hope There have been a total of seven closings; two City employees, three UNC employees, one NCMC employee, and one District 6 employee.

Poudre Trail Red Barn Trailhead and Storage area: key volunteers have spent several hours cleaning and organizing equipment and tools. A volunteer, Matt Saxton, who works at Vestas on a "swing shift" (late morning til early evening) is preparing surfaces and will be doing most of the work to paint the Red Barn. This should be completed in September, 2015.

The first annual **Party for the Poudre on the Plaza** was held on Saturday, July 18 and was attended by over 150 people. \$4,500 was raised to help us with trail repair and maintenance issues

The **Blue Moon Bike Ride** was held the evening of Friday, July 31. Over 115 people participated. About 40 Weld County employees participated as a part of their wellness program. Many positive comments were received from those who participated. This is a no charge event and we will definitely hold more "Full Moon" events, though we won't be able to have another "Blue Moon" event until January, 2018.

Planning is underway for the Poudre Trail-athlon on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 – 12 at the Poudre Learning Center, rescheduled from the spring flood conflict.

Creative District The 2015 Great Greeley Chalk-a-lot was host to over 3,500 chalk artists who combined to help break a Guinness World Record. Event documentation will be submitted to the GWR headquarters in application for a formal ruling.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual AgriCulture Fest and Feast was held with 330 appreciative guests (capacity) in attendance and the evening meal prepared by area chefs using locally grown food.

### Assistant City Manager Finance Administration Victoria Runkle:

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #32 – SALES AND USE TAX AUDIT PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION**

The team is developing a specific work program within the confines of the contract. We are awaiting results of the sales tax election as the outreach program will be significantly different depending on whether a new tax rate is authorized.

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #33 – INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION FINANCING**

The four staff members, Betsy Holder, Joel Hemesath, Andy McRoberts, and Victoria Runkle have given over 30 public outreach meetings regarding the 5 November ballot measures. In partnership with members of the public we have 18 more meetings. By October 9<sup>th</sup>, staff have offered meetings in Sunrise, Cranford/Glenmere, Downtown/Clayton, Maplewood, Cascade/Rolling Hills/Cottonwood, the neighborhoods around Fire Station #3, and west side neighborhoods.

## CITY CLERK/MUNICIPAL COURT

### City Clerk Betsy Holder:

Election News Key election dates:

- Sep 04 – Greeley's ballot was certified to the Weld County Election Office
- Sep 18 – last day voters may file statements in favor or opposed to any proposed tax/debt issues (per TABOR) with the City Clerk
- Oct 02 – last day Weld County can mail TABOR election notices to voters
- Oct 12 – 16 – ballots are mailed to voters
- Oct 13 – first campaign report due to City Clerk
- Oct 30 – second campaign report due to City Clerk
- Nov 03 – ELECTION DAY
- Dec 03 – third campaign report due to City Clerk

Liquor Licensing The City Clerk's Office has issued about a dozen special event liquor permits for the various community events and fund raisers in the last month.

Four liquor license violations were resolved with the Hearing Officer the week of September 14<sup>th</sup>. All were charged with selling alcohol to a minor during a compliance check run by the Greeley Police Department with assistance

from the State Liquor Enforcement Division and all had good compliance histories with the City so fines in lieu of active suspensions were paid. One outstanding violation at The Tilted Kilt is pending a hearing in late October.

Municipal Court Staff is pleased that the new supervised probation program is operational.

An open house was held to welcome the new Court Administrator and introduce the new probation program to the community.

Workload statistics are as follows:

- Number of Traffic & Criminal Tickets Issued:
  - At August 31, 2014 – 8,732
  - At August 31, 2015 – 9,652 (10.5% increase)
- Number of Parking Tickets Issued:
  - At August 31, 2014 – 8,274
  - At August 31, 2015 – 7,741 (6.4% decrease)

## POLICE

### Police Chief Jerry Garner:

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #2 TRAFFIC SAFETY INITIATIVE**

No new report.

Personnel Two GPD cadets are enrolled in the Law Enforcement Academy at Red Rocks Community College. The Department is currently one below its 2015 authorized sworn strength of 148 officers. Another officer is slated to retire in October. With the assistance of Human Resources the Department is now involved in an officer recruitment/selection process.

Latino Advisory Committee Mr. Joe Perez has recently been added to the membership of the Chief's Latino Advisory Committee. Mr. Perez is a member of a committee to the State Legislature on body-worn cameras. The Chief's LAC is chaired by May Martinez-Hendershot. Councilor Sandi Elder is also a member.

Citizens' Police Academy The second Greeley Police Department Citizens Academy held in 2015 began last week. The class is scheduled to graduate in November, 2015.

Training The chief of police recently addressed the Weld County Chiefs of Police Association and the Colorado Peace Officer Standards and Training Board in Denver on the need for updated training on the topics of de-escalation and dealing safely with the mentally ill. GPD has just commenced additional training on the topic.

## FIRE

### Fire Chief Duane McDonald:

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #20 BUILD PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING FACILITY**

Work has begun. Official Ground Breaking Ceremony has been set for September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Fire Recruits Three new fire recruits have started the fire academy. Graduation has been set for mid-December.

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### IT Director Patty Stokes

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #30 COMPUTER SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS**

Presentation of the Security Program to executive team on Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>. Implementation of employee Security Awareness Program scheduled for the month of October (security awareness month)

IT Open House IT will host an open house to celebrate the kickoff of the Security Awareness Program on October 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 11:00 in the Nusbaum room – Lincoln Park Annex

Other highlights of the open house include: Wireless demo, display of new tablets, demos of Vidjo – video conferencing solution, GIS maps and mapping websites, a look at the new Finance and Community applications going live in November as well as a guided tour of the City’s main data center. Please join us if you have a chance!

Open Positions The Network Administrator II position filled in July is open once again.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### Community Development Director Brad Mueller:

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #12 EAST 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET MASTER PLAN**

Internal and external stakeholder discussions are complete. The document is being outlined and drafted for the outreach and input phases.

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #13 OIL AND GAS PIPELINE GATHERING SYSTEM**

Options have been outlined and are being reviewed with the City Attorney’s Office. Staff is also in contact with specific oil/gas midstream companies for a western trunk line alignment that would service Extraction well sites in particular.

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #14 LANDSCAPE CODE REVISION STUDY**

Public open house & stakeholder meetings will be held September 17 and 24. A working draft of the Landscape Policy Plan for Water Conservation document is complete and being prepared for adoption by the end of the year. Changes to the Development Code, which supports some of the goals in the Policy Plan, are in a third round of internal review.

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #15 ENTERPRISE ZONE RECERTIFICATION**

Done. Proposed zone boundaries are complete and were approved by the state.

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #16 DEVELOPMENT REVIEW TRAINING**

Department management is executing on all various parts of an action plan for the year. One effort includes bi-weekly joint training meetings with EDR/Planning staff using case studies. The Director continues an outreach tour

to area organizations. A developer-led “Development 101” workshop took place on August 20 and was well-received.

Development Review To date staff has reviewed 384 submittals in 2015. There were 329 submittals to date in 2014, 272 submittals in 2013, and 279 submittals in 2012. The 384 submittals reviewed to date are the most since we started tracking the number of submittals in 2002 (second-most was 329 in 2014).

Development Review Pre-application Meetings Staff conducted 9 pre-application meetings in August. The number of these held is an early indicator of future development activity; this month was average.

Coming out of the Ground or Going Into the Ground

- Miller Farm Industrial Subdivision – SE Corner of E. 28<sup>th</sup> Street and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue – 3 Lot Industrial Subdivision
- JBS Headquarters – 1770 Promontory Circle – 1,568 SF Infill Addition
- St. Michael’s Town Center Multifamily – 6720 29<sup>th</sup> Street – 57 Multi-Family Units
- Boomerang Ranch 2<sup>nd</sup> Filing – South of 11<sup>th</sup> Street/West of 78<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Infrastructure and Land Grading for 71 Single Family Lots
- Greeley Industrial Park, First Replat – 2301 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue – 3,000 SF Industrial Warehouse
- Highland Park Liquors – 1850 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue – 5,000 SF Liquor Store
- The Reserve at West T-Bone – 5770 29<sup>th</sup> Street – 3 New 24-Plexes
- Homestead Multifamily – 3816 29<sup>th</sup> Street – New 8-Plexes/6-Plexes
- Homestead Self-Storage – 3546 29<sup>th</sup> Street – 103,000 SF of Self-Storage Space
- The Renaissance at Fox Hill – 4672 20<sup>th</sup> Street Road – New 5-Plexes
- Summer Park – 66<sup>th</sup>-69<sup>th</sup> Avenue/3<sup>rd</sup> Street – New 6-Plexes/5-Plexes/4-Plexes
- Owl Ridge 5<sup>th</sup> Filing – SE Corner of 83<sup>rd</sup> Avenue/20<sup>th</sup> Street – 348 Multi-Family Units
- CDOT Headquarters – 10601 Hwy 34 Business – New CDOT Headquarters (41,000 SF Administrative Bldg with Additional Maintenance Bldgs)
- Wash N Gloss Car Wash – 6903 10<sup>th</sup> Street - 6,400 SF Automated Wash Bay/2,625 SF Automated Polish Bay/3,675 SF – 5 Bay Detail Building
- Agrium Pilot Plant – 2323 115<sup>th</sup> Avenue – 18,000 SF Research Facility
- Ward Energy Compressed Natural Gas Fueling Station – High Pointe Industrial Park – 2 Acre Compressed Natural Gas Fueling Station

Building Inspection Division Inspection stops continued busy, but steady, with Fire Inspection stops still lagging, but better than last year’s YTD. There were 10,231 total general building stops in 2015 (year to date), versus 10,474 year to date in 2014, keeping in mind that 2014 numbers reflect the roof permits carrying over from the Fall 2013 hail event. This equates to an average of 12.6 inspection stops per inspector, per day, these levels are still trending above average in a non-hail event year.

Building Plan Review Plan Reviews for August 2015 are slightly increased, at 720 year-to-date in 2015, compared to 702 year-to-date in 2014. Turn-around times were better than half the time set for goals, in 79% of the time for new construction, and 71% of the time for review of remodels. These percentages slipped the past two months, with a large influx of plan reviews submitted, particularly some housing in large batches.

Farmers' Market Holding at a strong 6-7% growth rate with new vendors still signing up. The Wednesday market continues through September, while the Saturday market continues through October. Nearly 300 people have signed up for text message alerts through the FarmFan app. Plans are being finalized for the Winter Market.

Code Compliance August saw 336 new cases with 169 courtesy warnings issued.

Recycling Programs The GROW site operator reported 508 customers in July (333 residential, 175 commercial, 64 COG) bringing in 2380 cubic yards of green waste. In August use dropped to 232 customers with 1574 cubic yards of materials. YTD use is 24% ahead of last year.

Economic Development Advertisements for two project manager positions were posted this week and we hope to have a pool of qualified candidates by the end of September. The Economic Development Department will remain in The Annex building.

## CULTURE, PARKS & RECREATION

### Culture, Parks & Recreation Director Andy McRoberts:

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #1 ISLAND GROVE MASTER PLAN UPDATE AN DINDOOR ARENA FEASIBILITY STUDY**

No update since stakeholder meetings were held on August 11th. The Consultant is reviewing information for next steps.

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #2 ACE/SCHOOL DISTRICT JOINT USE OUTDOOR FIELD DEVELOPMENT**

The synthetic turf fields at both the District 6 Soccer and Football Stadiums have been completed and have been used several times by both the District and the City for youth athletics. On September 4, the first inaugural high school football game was played at the new football field and the following day, Sept 5, City youth soccer programs took the field in the Soccer Stadium. In addition, even though an Intergovernmental Agreement has already been approved as to access to the fields, a new draft Master Joint Use Agreement has been completed for facility access at both the City of Greeley facilities and District 6 school sites and is under review by the District.

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #3 PARKS TRAILS AND OPEN LANDS MASTER PLAN**

Staff has completed a review of a draft of the first 3 chapters of the new PTOL Master plan which begins to outline next steps towards "Concepts and Recommendations". A final report of the written Community Survey has also been completed with a total of 456 responses (4000 surveys sent to random households in Greeley) from the Greeley community providing valuable data to include in drafting recommendations for the master plan.

On September 23 at 6:30pm, DesignWorkshop consultants will host a Community Workshop at the Greeley Ice Haus – please encourage attendance to friends and neighbors! This public meeting will allow citizens to explore information gathered thus far and to help prioritize recommendations for the final plan.

Cultural Affairs, Festivals Arts, crafts, and food vendors made almost \$200,000 during the 2015 Arts Picnic weekend and generated almost \$7,000 in city sales tax.

In line with the ACE Programs G Town Promise, the Arts Picnic supports and empowers our young high school citizens by: 1) providing a sponsored booth space for Greeley Central High School students to sell their artwork, and; 2) enlisting students in event partnerships – i.e. – Greeley West Wrestlers assisting Parks staff with festival set up. While setting up their own beverage booth they staffed throughout the weekend, the wrestlers also assisted vendors with their booths set up as well. One vendor wrote on their survey “we love the Greeley West Wrestling Team. They are so helpful, friendly, and polite!” Greeley Central Key Club students also give up an entire summer weekend to assist children at the Creation Station with summer-time tattoos and button making!

Cultural Affairs, Museums and Historic Sites We have hired a new Museums Specialist in Education - welcome Sarah Lester, formerly of the WOW! Museum in Lafayette. She will be an excellent addition to the team.

Transcription of the Union Colony/Meecker Letters is now complete for all transcriptions and proofing and there are electronic records in museums software that are searchable for future research and use.

Some of the original displays at the Greeley History Museum have been evaluated, and staff have determined that it would be in the best interest of our artifacts to rotate out certain exhibit contents due to long exposure to artificial light and atmosphere. There are now new artifacts to see in several displays.

Centennial Village visitation for August was at 1330 visitors - nearly double that of the same time period in 2014 (672). Marketing efforts, better tracking tools, and increased programming and cross promotion are all contributing to this increase.

Crop growing season is nearly completed in regards to a partnership with Crabtree Brewing. Crabtree volunteers recently harvested 1700 lbs of pumpkins at White-Plumb Farm. Additionally, Crabtree purchased nearly 200 lbs of cucumbers grown at the Farm. There was a significant additional harvest of cucumbers and the museum subsequently donated nearly 2000 pounds to the Weld County Food Bank. A second harvest of pumpkins is planned for late September.

Cultural Affairs, Public Art Tointon Gallery - The ‘When I Saw You Dreaming: Paintings by Andy Frost’ will be on display through October 3. The upcoming exhibit will be on display October 9 to November 7 and will feature local artist Carolyn Hoyle, titled ‘What Music Looks Like’. Hoyle transfers her visualization of classical music in a variety of color and movement with paint on canvas. An artist reception will be held on Thursday October 15, 5-7pm.

Uptown Trees – several changes to existing trees will be made (weather permitting) on September 30: 1) the ‘People Tree’ currently located near 1514 8th Ave will be relocated to the NW corner of 8th Ave 10th St; 2) a newly purchased treehouse tree titled ‘Sanctuary’ will go in near 1514 8th Ave; 3) a redesign, for structural reasons, of the ‘Palm Tree’ will be installed near 1412 8th Ave; 4) a new rendition of the ‘Bird Watching’ tree will be installed at 1335 8th Ave, and; 5) the pink blossom tree titled ‘Saori in Bloom’ will have new blossoms attached.

10/23 Triangle Median – the ‘Flutterby’ art by Josh Wiener will be installed on October 6 - 8.

Manhole Cover Design – 50 new art engrained covers have been ordered and should be delivered by the end of October to install within existing Stormwater system manholes.

Cultural Affairs, Moriya, Japan, Sister City Program The list of potential host families for the summer, 2016 visit is growing nicely as we anticipate a large group of visitors. As an additional aside, Japan is experiencing devastating typhoon winds and rains and rampant flooding is occurring near Moriya. Our thoughts and prayers go out to our Japanese friends and families.

Cultural Affairs, Union Colony Civic Center In conjunction with Public Works Facilities, two major projects were completed for the beginning of the 2015-16 season. The entire lobbies of the Monfort Concert Hall, including all the stairs and landings, have been fully re-carpeted. The Monfort Concert Hall stage floor was also completely replaced, including correcting several ongoing subfloor issues.

Staff is working with District 6 to provide a free showing of “The Cat in the Hat” for students during the day on September 30 - staff anticipate approximately 1,360 students and teachers in attendance.

We continue to make “Green” improvements by replacing traditional light bulbs with LED’s to reduce power consumption in areas most frequently used.

The 2015-16 Season kicks off on September 16 with the Kingston Trio and sales are projected to beat projected expectations. The season continues with Michael Martin Murphey September 18, Frank Caliendo September 19, Cat in the Hat on September 30, Mystic India: The World Tour on October 9, Return to Sweden (travel film) on October 11, Adam Trent on October 20, and Golden Dragon Acrobats on October 22.

Golf Rounds for golf at both golf courses are continuing to be very similar to the same as 2014. Rounds in August, 2015 were at 8,998 for both Highland Hills & Boomerang Links, compared to 8,989 in 2014. Yearly totals to date for 2015 through August is 46,622 rounds compared to 46,385 rounds in 2014.

Most of the golf leagues for 2015 have finished or are finishing up. There are 2 events yet scheduled for the golf courses. The events are the Boomerang 2-Man September 26 & 27 and the UNC Baseball fundraiser is scheduled for October 3.

Island Grove Dog Shows, Home Shows, Craft Shows. October will be a very busy month in Island Grove beginning with a new Fall Home and Garden Show the 2 – 4. On Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup> we will also be hosting the Annual Andy Meyer’s High School Cross Country meet followed by a Ducks Unlimited fundraiser on October 5. The Greeley Tribune’s Fall Craft Show is the Oct. 9 – 11 with Weld Project Connect hoping to serve over a 1,000 Weld County residents with a variety of services on the Oct.16. Our final big dog show of the year, the Buckhorn Valley show, is scheduled for October 22 – 25.

Parks, General The new irrigation system at Luther Park is 50% complete. The south side lines have all been installed and new heads have been placed with a pressure test scheduled. When that test is done, work will begin on the North side and take another 3-4 weeks to complete. Although the turf looks very brown now, staff anticipate starting the system up in time to irrigate adequately before first frost and revive the turf.

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Downtown staff will be preparing Lincoln Park for the next 2 major community events held downtown, My Favorite Bands and Oktobrewfest. Lincoln Park will be fenced in for 2 weeks to allow alcohol within the confines of the entire park for both events.

New playground installations at East Memorial Park and Sherwood Park have been scheduled to begin the first week of October. Equipment will be delivered the week of September 28 for inspection, and then the contractor will take equipment to sites for installation.

Bittersweet Park Neighborhood Meeting – staff will be conducting a neighborhood meeting with the Bittersweet subdivision area to discuss park improvements and feedback about any particular issues at the park. One item to discuss will be hours of availability of the west parking lot and complaints of late night disturbances in the lot.

Parks, Forestry & Natural Areas Staff is working on continuing cleaning up around the property of the recently acquired Tennyson house to prepare the old house for demolition.

Staff are installing interpretive trail signs at the Signature Bluffs Natural Area (the “Red Barn”) to educate the public on efforts to revitalize the open lands and limit “off trail” activity.

We are coordinating and overseeing two large tree trimming projects, one in the 2000 block of 8th Avenue and one in the 1500 block of 11th Avenue.

Parks, Linn Grove Cemetery Staff is beginning preliminary layout of a new columbarium installation. The new unit is ordered and has a tentative arrival date of late October.

Recreation The Senior Center hosted its first Senior Law Day at the UC on UNC campus on Sept 10. The event was a great success with 9 speakers, 1 key note, 28 vendors, 27 sponsors and 200 participants.

The Ice Haus will be celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sept 19 from 6:00-8:45pm. Come join us for refreshments, giveaways, curling and much more. Did we say curling? Why YES! A free demonstration curling session will be held on the ice prior to skating activities from 6-7pm to introduce the sport to the Greeley community. Formal Skating starts at 7:15pm.

The Recreation Division hosted an all-inclusive coach’s educational training on September 17 at the Recreation Center at 6:30pm. The speaker was Jimmy Stewart, Sports Guidance Counselor from CSU working in the Sports Psychology Department. This was free of charge for all volunteer coaches as well as partnering youth sports agencies.

Middle School Sports are underway with football and volleyball games started Sept 12. The vast majority of football games will be played at the new synthetic turf fields at District 6 Stadium on Saturdays. We have 8 teams participating in 6<sup>th</sup> grade football and 12 teams in 6<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball, an increase of 4 teams.

Fall is very busy with youth and adult sports with adult softball, adult volleyball, senior volleyball youth football, youth flag football, youth & adult hockey, in-line hockey, adult flag football and youth soccer.

The Recreation Division is proud to announce our newest team member Kelsey Huckle. Kelsey is the coordinator for aquatics, sports & fitness.

Youth Enrichment The Rodarte Community Center is excited to announce that we will be receiving a brand new playground! Construction begins September 21 and should be complete by November 21.

The 2015-16 After-School Program began on August 31 with approximately 142 students registered.

Flag football is underway with 6 teams including Billie Martinez, 2 Bella Romero teams, Jackson, Madison and Union Colony.

## PUBLIC WORKS

### Public Works Director Joel Hemesath:

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #23 8<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE ENTRYWAY CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS 1300 BLOCK AND 13<sup>TH</sup> STREET INTERSECTION**

The 2015 construction phase from 14<sup>th</sup> Street through the 13<sup>th</sup> Street intersection started August 17<sup>th</sup> and will go until around Thanksgiving. Improvements will be consistent with what has been done in the previous two phases (the 16<sup>th</sup> Street intersection in 2013, and the 1400 and 1500 block improvements in 2014). Construction includes new landscaped medians and sidewalks and new pedestrian and street lighting.

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #24 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET ACCESS AND STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS 23<sup>RD</sup> AVENUE TO 25<sup>TH</sup> AVENUES**

We have negotiated preliminary design services with a different engineer for the next phase, Jacobs Engineering, for the remaining corridor design. The design will also evaluate ROW needs and prepare CDOT format Right of Way acquisition plans as that is the next phase to acquire ROW from 51 parcels over the next year. Current phase is just design work and ROW purchase in 2015. The next construction phase is not until 2018 and all of the remaining portions will be done at that time.

Public outreach is being done now with an informal open house scheduled Sept 23 in the Dairy Queen parking lot to update property owners of where the project is at and what is being considered for the remainder of the project.

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #25 SUNRISE ENTRYWAY FEATURE PARKING LOT**

The parking lot has been paved and striped, and the landscape and irrigation is scheduled to be completed next spring. The arch entryway is in design/fabrication and will be installed later this fall.

#### **WORK PROGRAM ITEM #26 8<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE/22<sup>ND</sup> STREET ENTRYWAY**

Site work and the entry way wall have been completed. Landscape and irrigation is scheduled to be completed in October.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #27 AVENUE STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS**

Project signs and traffic control are installed, and Layne Heavy Civil, Inc. started construction on September 14. The work will include a sanitary sewer relocation on 16<sup>th</sup> St. and 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. Ct., followed by a water line relocation on 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. Ct and then the large 14'x4' box culvert. Work in 16<sup>th</sup> St will be done in November.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #28 DOWNTOWN STORMWATER MASTER PLAN**

The Study is underway and the existing conditions in the Downtown Basin are being evaluated. Most of the background information has been gathered and analysis of the existing flooding problems is underway. With the help of the Community Engagement Office, the creation of the public outreach plan has begun.

Bridge Maintenance Program We are using our FASTER safety funds allocated to bridge maintenance to complete small maintenance projects for our bridges, as well as designing a new bridge structure for the State Farm Lateral crossing at 4th Avenue and 31st Street, which will be constructed in late 2015 when flows in the channel are less. Work is finished for the new surface on the 59<sup>th</sup> Ave Bridge over the Poudre River.

10<sup>th</sup> Street Triangle Landscaping The triangle area at 10<sup>th</sup> Street & 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue is complete, including landscaping. Artwork will be completed later in September due to having to get some of the stone from a quarry.

Road Maintenance The Overlay program is finishing up. All planned work is complete and work related to paving roads following water main replacement south of the mall should be done by the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in September.

65<sup>th</sup> Avenue, U.S. 34 to 37<sup>th</sup> Street Project is being designed for construction in 2016. We are working with the City of Evans to coordinate this project. Final design and ROW Acquisition is planned for 2015. Some patching was done in the worst areas prior to Prairie Heights School opening.

Public Safety Training Facility This project is under construction, with an emphasis on building pad construction. Also preparing to replace the fence along the west side of the project. The waterline work will start later this month after earthwork is complete. Work will continue until spring.

20<sup>th</sup> Street, 71<sup>st</sup> Avenue to 83<sup>rd</sup> Avenue We have completed the final design for road widening improvements from 71<sup>st</sup> Ave to 74<sup>th</sup> for 2015 construction and this segment is under construction. We are also completing design from 74<sup>th</sup> Ave to 86<sup>th</sup> Ave and this design will be done early 2016. We anticipate construction between 71<sup>st</sup> Ave and 74<sup>th</sup> Ave to be completed by the end of October.

## WATER & SEWER

### Water & Sewer Director Burt Knight:

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #17 MILTON SEAMAN RESERVOIR EXPANSION PERMIT**

No new report.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #18 BELLVUE PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION**

Pipe installation of the Bellvue Pipeline is now complete for the West Reach of the project. Construction activities have begun for the East Reach which extends from Overland Trail to Shields Street. The City has possession of all

of the permanent easements needed to complete the construction. Establishment of easement value is still pending for two properties. Geotechnical design for the second phase (tunnel phase) of the project is nearing completion.

**WORK PROGRAM ITEM #19 FUTURE WATER ACCOUNT II PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL WATER SUPPLIES**

No new report.

Water Treatment Replacement of the underground chemical feed lines at the Bellvue Water Treatment Plant (WTP) is in construction. Modification of piping and restraint system in the manholes has pushed substantial completion of construction activity to the end of September, 2015. A "needs assessment report" is still being prepared for the two water treatment plants, Boyd Lake and Bellvue WTP by HDR Engineering. Site visits to assess the condition of each unit process for both treatment plants, data collection, staff interviews have occurred, and technical memos are being written and preliminary plant layouts have been developed. The final assessment report is scheduled for completion by the end of September 2015, to insure the proposed projects encompass all the needs and scheduled to be financially sound.

The first phase of the planned work in the WPCF 2012 Solids Master Plan project including the new dewatering centrifuge, sludge cake pump, polymer equipment, and centrate treatment is in construction. Centrate tank veneer masonry work continues. The new dewatering centrifuge, sludge cake pump, and polymer system are up and running. Centrifuge equipment vendor is working to optimize the unit. Installation of electrical duct banks is completed. New switchgear and transformer installed. New centrate treatment process and equipment training for plant staff will continue into the fall. Equipment for the new centrate treatment process is being installed. The construction project's revised completion date is November 30, 2015. Inclement weather in May and relocation of a natural gas line impacted construction activities and the schedule.

Continuing the planned projects in the WPCF 2012 Solids Master Plan. Request for Proposals (RFP's) were solicited and received from five engineering consultants to perform design work for the planned 2015 - 2017 projects. HDR was selected as the consultant. Design work continues for two new primary digester covers and mixing system, a new digester heating boiler system, a thin sludge pumping project with new sludge thickening equipment, and a new South Plant standby generator. A site visit to look at new digester mixing equipment was completed. Phase II of the Wastewater Operations Plan continues with staff providing necessary feedback for the new plant data management system. Huber Technology was awarded a contract for the new screening equipment at the plant's hauled waste station. Staff is beginning to review project submittals. Completion of the project is anticipated to be late March 2016 due to the long lead time for delivery of the equipment and unpredictable cold weather upon arrival in January. Bids from six contractors were received to re-roof the dewatering building. Roofing was completed in early September 2015.

Sewer Collection Work has begun on the manhole rehabilitation with completion in late September. Work on cured-in-place pipe rehabilitation will begin in October with completion late December.