# City Manager Week in Review Report

WEEK OF: May 10, 2024



### **RESOURCES**

Agendas and meeting schedules – <u>commerce.legistar.com</u>

City online events calendar – <u>c3gov.com/Calendar</u>

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#### Home Resource Expo coming May 18

The city's inaugural Home Resource Expo is coming up on Saturday, May 18 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Eagle Pointe Recreation Center and Veterans Memorial Park. This free community event is a great opportunity for both experienced homeowners and those taking their first step into home ownership, offering a wealth of information and resources tailored to every need. Activities and resources include: workshops on the home buying process and foreclosure prevention, maintenance tips, landlord-tenant relationships, home safety measures, DIY projects, energy efficiency and water conservation, neighborhood watch programs, and more! Find more information on the city website.

#### Introducing the new MyC3 Yard of the Month Program

The city is introducing a new program to recognize those who demonstrate above-average efforts to maintain their property, improve the appearance of our city, and help build community pride! The new MyC3 Yard of the Month program will run June 1 – October 30 each year. All residential properties within Commerce City are eligible to win, but can only win once in a calendar year. Residents can nominate their own yard or another resident's yard. There will be one winner per ward (four winners total) every month during the program duration. Winners will receive a gift card and public recognition. Learn more and nominate someone in your neighborhood at bit.ly/MyC3Yard.

#### Wayfinding signage survey now live online

The city is working to enhance our wayfinding signage to help people navigate our urban environment while creating a cohesive, well-connected city that mirrors our community's vibrant spirit and diverse character. To ensure this vision comes to life, we are turning to the residents for a survey that will help us understand community needs for navigating, accessing attractions, and simply enjoying what Commerce City has to offer. Your feedback will help shape a city that is not only easier to navigate but also more welcoming. The <a href="survey is available online">survey is available online</a> through May 22 and interactive boards are posted at city facilities to allow the public to vote for their favorite signage color scheme.

**Commerce City's Grant Office** 

**Council Work Schedules** 

**Grants** - April Update

# Business/Economic Development



- Staff met with franchisee for a fitness concept looking to develop a new facility in Commerce City. They confirmed their preference would be to lease an existing 3,500 5,000 square foot space but buying land and developing a new building could also be an option. Staff followed up by providing broker introduction for a parcel for sale along E. 120<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- Staff met with a property owner and broker to discuss potential uses for a 10.7 acre parcel near I-270. They discussed potential site and infrastructure improvements needed to make site ready for potential new users.
- Staff is currently working with the developer of the WoodSpring Suites hotel on planning their grand opening celebration. The hotel representative confirmed that the event could be held in early to mid-July 2024.
- Staff is currently working with a franchisee and their marketing team for Dunkin Donuts to plan their grand opening event. Representatives confirmed that event is proposed to be held in mid-July 2024.
- Staff met with Apex Consulting to learn more about the CLIMBER Fund, and coordination on ideas for additional business support programs.

- Staff attended the NAIOP Rocky Mountain Real Estate Challenge (RMREC). The RMREC is a real-world development competition between graduate level real estate programs at the University of Denver and the University of Colorado. Finalist teams presented innovative concepts and development plans to revitalize nearly 50-acres of the Victory Crossing site. Congratulations to the University of Denver team for winning the competition and taking home the 2024 NAIOP Cup!
- Staff provided business retention and expansion services to a woman-owned geotechnical professional services company that assists engineers, architects and public agencies on their projects from environmental and geotechnical preliminary investigations through construction.
- Staff met with the Chamber of Commerce to discuss collaborative efforts on business celebrations including ribbon cuttings and grand openings.
- Staff continued planning and support for the Catalyst
   Fund mural restoration project on the side of the Save-A-Lot building in Derby.
- Staff provided business referral and land development business liaison services for an advanced manufacturer locating in Commerce City.
- Staff provided business retention and expansion services, as well as land development business liaison services to a local trucking company.
- Staff provided business retention and expansion services to a local business in the health and wellness industry.

# Community Appearance/Clean Ups

#### **Hot Shot Crew**

Monday - Friday

- During the past work week, the Hot Shot Crew was divided into 2, two-person teams that worked 8 hours per day. Clean-up efforts are dedicated to both scheduled locations of known hotspots and in response to SeeClickFix requests.
- Hot Shot Crews conducted inspections and removed abandoned items at the following scheduled, routine locations:
  - E. 48th Avenue and Ivy Street
  - E. 50th Avenue and Forest Street
  - E. 52nd Place and Oneida Street
  - E. 60th Avenue from Brighton Boulevard to Clermont Street
  - E. 64th Avenue and Colorado Boulevard (I-270)
  - E. 83rd Avenue and Rosemary Street
  - E. 84th Avenue and Pontiac Street
  - E. 96th Avenue and Peoria Street
  - E. 112th Avenue and Tower Road
  - E. 120th Avenue and Cameron Street
  - Elm Street E. 69th Avenue to E. 72nd Avenue
- In addition to routine areas, crews performed clean-up at the following locations:
  - I-270 and E. 60th Avenue
  - E. 83rd Avenue and Rosemary Street
  - E. 96th Avenue and Peoria Street
  - E. 120th Avenue and Chambers Road









#### **Distinctive Highlights**

- This week, our Hot Shot crews were hard at work keeping our city clean. Crews removed four mattresses that were reported on E. 96th Avenue and Peoria Street to ensure community safety and cleanliness.
- Crews also collected 20 tires from the right of way and delivered them to the recycling center in efforts to prevent environmental hazards.
- Crews picked up leftover wood from a fence on E. 100th Avenue and Peoria Street. The crew efficiently handled the cleanup, ensuring the area was clear of debris and hazard-free.
- Crews were also busy picking up dead trees and debris from the area around I-270 and E.
   60th Avenue. Their swift and efficient work has contributed to keeping the area safe and clear for motorists and residents.



## Housing & Community Well-Being

Community Well-Being	Weekly	YTD	Housing / CDBG	Weekly	YTD
Homeless Navigator			ERA: Rent/ Mortgage	\$0.00	\$245,027.87
Unhoused Resident Contacts	26	553	ERA: Utility	\$0.00	\$8,875.00
Voucher Matches to Housing	1	7	ERA: Car repairs	\$0.00	\$0.00
Voucher Orientations for Housing	1	3	ERA: Unhoused to	0	2
Unhoused Resident: Shelter	0	4	permanent housing		
Unhoused Resident: Transitional	0	3	ERA totals	\$0.00	\$251,000.00
Housing			ERA: Families Served	0	54
Unhoused Resident: Permanent Housing	0	3	ERA: Total Applications	0	73
Family & Senior Navigator			In-Person Resident Service	32	437
Senior Contacts	6	222	Phone Contacts	157	2721
Senior Resource Referrals Made	12	283	CDBG Services	34	259
Family Contacts	7	224	CDBG Draw Downs	\$0	\$145,252.00
Family Resource Referrals Made	19	301	CDBG Inspections	0	11



#### Energy, Equity, and Environmental Weekly Report - May 6

This report provides a weekly update of environmental policy and planning work including, but not limited to:

- Environmental Policy Advisory Committee (EPAC)
- Lotus Contract and Community Outreach
- Municipal Sustainability
- Information regarding the Suncor Refinery and its operations
- Legislative Updates & Regional Environmental Leadership
- Colorado Energy and Carbon Management (CECM) Commission
- Oil & Gas Projects & Policy
- The included exceedance report is provided and updated on a monthly basis.



# Growth and Development

Ward Report: April Ward Report * New Report will be updated by second Wednesday of the month									
PERMITS	Weekly Totals	2024 YTD Total	CODE ENFORCEMENT	Weekly Totals	2024 YTD Total				
SFD Permits Issued	30	254	Total Case Action	831	11516				
Multi-Family Permits Issued	0	0	Pro-Active Cases	99	1628				
Duplex Permits Issued (SFA)	0	0	CAI	4	58				
Townhome Permits Issued (SFA)	0	0	SCF-CRM		371				
Residential CO issued	6	218		48					
Total Permits Issued	75	772	Violations Issued	241	3064				
Permits Processed	88	968	Weed Violations Undeveloped	7	13				
Residential Permits Processed	54	676	Weed Violations Developed	22	57				
Non-Residential Permits Processed	18	222	Abatement Hearings	0	73				
Residential CO Processed	23	235	Abatement Ordered	0	35				
Residential Inspections	479	8428	CRT Violations	0	92				
Non-Residential Inspections	62	749	CRT Outreach	0	21				
PLANNING									
		2							
New Cases (Deemed Incomplete/Not Included in Total)					0				
New Cases (Deemed Complete/Included in Total)					2				
Total Active Cases					156				
POD Inquiries questions abo	I	27							
	SELE		TATUS UPDATES						
CanAm Filing 3 Plat Posted									
<u> </u>			ermit for Filing 4 application received						
Tower Landfill Met with applicant about next steps									
PUBLIC HEARINGS (Recent & Upcoming)									
NEW SUBMITTALS									
<u> </u>			s Car Wash						
PUDP24-0008	Aberdeen	Aberdeen Truck Terminal							



### CCPD Cracks Down on Drivers With Expired Registration

You wouldn't drink expired milk (we hope), but for some reason a large portion of the driving population operates a vehicle with expired tabs.

While we are not responsible for the creation of the registration renewal program, it's our job to enforce it.

We receive many complaints from community members about the number of expired plates they observe while driving and even parked in their own neighborhoods, so we are focusing on contacting and citing those drivers in hopes of reducing the number of violators on our roadways.



We'll be looking for expired tabs, failure to display registration, no registration, misused/fictitious plates, no plates, and vehicles parked on public roadways without any or all of those.

#### May is Mental Health Awareness Month

In law enforcement, being aware that mental health issues may be involved in the calls we respond to is an every day, every shift mentality.

In 2023, approximately 3,000 of our calls for service included someone suffering from or possibly suffering from a mental health crisis. 182 times those calls resulted in the person being transported to the hospital-- before jail, even if there was criminal element as well-- on what's called an Involuntary Mental Health Hold.

So what are we doing to best prepare ourselves to respond to those calls in a way that keeps everyone safe? We send officers through Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training and even have some certified as CIT coaches who can then teach the course here and to other agencies.

We've applied for two separate grants to fund a mental health co-responder position, and we are a finalist for one of those grants.

We regularly do de-escalation training, and then there's this: talking to people like they're people and approaching them with empathy.

Police officers aren't psychiatrists or doctors but often times we're the ones who get you to those professionals. We're doing everything we can to make sure we can do that safely.



### Infrastructure

#### **PW Updates**

#### **Preservation and Safety**

 This week, our Streets teams collaborated on the project on E. 56th Avenue with BNSF Roadway by removing rail tracks and making necessary repairs swiftly. They helped maintain traffic control to ensure safety for all drivers passing through the area.



#### **Engineering**

- Staff hosted a preconstruction meeting for the 2024 Asphalt Crack repair project and the 2024 Mill & Overlay Project.
   Work on these projects is planned to begin by the middle of May.
- Staff participated in a Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) meeting for the Vasquez Improvement project.
- Staff participated in a monthly coordination meeting with the Mile High Flood District.
- Staff attended an on-site construction meeting for the Colorado Boulevard project. Construction has begun and is planned to be completed this fall.
- Staff attended the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting.
- Staff attended a pre-construction meeting for the Curt Holland Memorial private park. Construction is being led by a volunteer group for the private park located along Buffalo Run.
- A weekly meeting was conducted for the E. 120th Avenue Widening project between Chambers Road and Buckley Road.
- List of Active Permits/Projects Requiring Traffic Control Attached.

#### **Active Permits**

#### **Parks**

- This week, our Parks staff completed ballfield maintenance at various locations. Final touches were made at all three field at Pioneer Park for games and tournaments throughout the week.
- In support of the Parks, Recreation and Golf Senior Adult Center Pancake Breakfast on May 4, Parks operations staff dropped off 130 chairs and 30 tables at Eagle Pointe.
- Staff also focused on enhancing the overall park experience through weed control measures. They targeted areas in parks and open space including Pioneer Parks' Ingram Field, the Pioneer Park sidewalks and parking lots, Landmark Academy Open Space, and Prairie Gateway Trail, ensuring a safe and well-maintained environment.
- Following last weekend's flood event, teams removed flood debris from Fairfax Park, ensuring a safe and clean environment for park visitors. Additionally, they made repairs at Multi-Contractor Open Space along Sand Creek Trail from the aftermath and added six tons of crushed fines. They also added twelve tons of recycled asphalt to complete repairs and restore functionality at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal Perimeter Trail.







#### **Streets**

- Pavement teams repaired a substantial 342 potholes this week. On the E. 56th Avenue project with BNSF, our teams poured a total 31 tons of road base and 55 tons of hot mix asphalt in repairs.
- Teams also made emergency repairs to a gutter pan reported issue on E. 56th Avenue.
- Sweeping teams diligently covered key areas ensuring cleanliness and safety for residents and commuters.
   Areas included: Highway 2, E. 104th Ave. to E. 120th Ave., and Highway 85 to Tower Road.
- Stormwater teams cleaned storm drain tops on various streets like E. 56th Avenue from Quebec to I-270 and on Holly Street, preventing potential flooding and drainage issues.



### Parks, Recreation and Golf

#### Splash Pad | Open House

The Splash Pad at Pioneer Park is set for a complete overhaul, with construction slated to start in the fall of 2024. The Public Works Department and the Parks, Recreation and Golf Department are spearheading this initiative collaboratively.

Community involvement is paramount in the design and amenities of the splash pad. Please join us on **May 14** at either **Bison Ridge** or **Eagle Pointe** from **4:30** to **6:30 p.m**. to share your thoughts and ideas on the renovation.

### **Gymnastics Program | Compulsory Team Recap**

The Commerce City gymnastics program has started their 2024 season with a bang. Our compulsory level team participated in the South Suburban Sparks invitational on Saturday, April 20 and won second place. Our Optional level team participated in the 40th Broomfield Invitational and won second place. Way to go ladies!

#### Wild for Life Triathlon | Registration is open!

Swim, bike, run for fun! This is the perfect starting point to try a tri. This race is not about competition but learning, fun, and finishing. All athletic levels are welcome. The only prerequisite is that you must be able to swim unassisted in a pool and wear a helmet on the bike. More information can be found here: c3gov.com/TRI

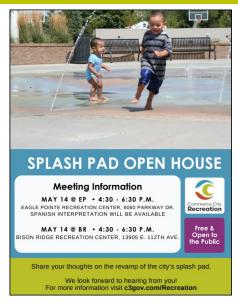
Event Date: Sunday, Oct. 13

Event Time: 9 a.m.
Entry Fee: \$70
Early Bird Fee: \$60
Race Distances:

Swim: 200 yards Cycling: 10.5 miles Run: 3.1 miles

#### Register here:











URA updates are forthcoming.



Where to find budget and financial information:

#### Main Budget & Financial Reports Webpage:

- c3gov.com/financialreports
- 2024 Adopted Budget
- 2024 Budget at a Glance
- 2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)
- 2022 Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR)

Monthly Financial Report – through February 2024

Monthly Financial Report - through March 2024

The City's 2023 Financial Audit is underway and is expected to be completed by the end of June. The audit report and audited financial statements are planned to be presented to City Council at the end of June. Each monthly financial report contains cumulative financial data through the end of the reporting month.



### **Municipal Court**

#### Monthly Court Report - through April 2024

#### **Text Message Notifications**

Commerce City Municipal Court is utilizing text message notifications to send reminders to case parties. If you have an upcoming hearing, you should receive an initial 'opt-in' text message. If you have not received an 'opt-in' message and would like to receive text message notifications with reminders about your Municipal Court case, please call 303-289-3640 or send an email with your cell phone number to court3@c3gov.com.





Boards and Commissions updates are forthcoming.