

# Council Retreat Follow-Up

City Council, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024



# Agenda

- ◆ Review of Events for Retreat
- ◆ Major Takeaways
- ◆ Action Items and Bike Rack
- ◆ Development Discussion Follow-Up with City Manager Rogers



# Review of Events from 2024 Retreat

- ◆ Day 1 – Friday, 3/15/24
  - ◆ Norms and Group Dynamics – Council Norms Now in Work Room
  - ◆ Kevin Bommer – Shared resources from CML, discussed “10 Roles of City Council”
  - ◆ Collaboration and Power Partnerships – Partnership Visual Now in Work Room
  - ◆ Economic Development Strategic Plan Update
- ◆ Day 2 – Saturday, 3/16/24
  - ◆ Finance and Budget State of Affairs
  - ◆ Cost of Growth Study Follow-Up
  - ◆ National Community Survey Update
  - ◆ Development and Policy Discussion
  - ◆ CIP Discussion



# Key Themes from Retreat

- ◆ Theme 1 – Renewed Focus on Roles and Responsibilities
  - ◆ Kevin Bommer shared the various, sometimes contradictory roles that Councilmembers must fill.
  - ◆ Councilmembers are Policymakers, Big Picture Thinkers, and ‘Customer Service Representatives’.
- ◆ Theme 2 – Consensus and Common Solutions
  - ◆ Council should seek consensus policy solutions to address problems in the community.
  - ◆ It is critical to understand community sentiments and feedback when finding common solutions.
- ◆ Theme 3 – Balanced and Forward-Looking Development
  - ◆ Council is committed to encouraging balanced and forward-looking development for the community.
  - ◆ There will always be Short-Term and Long-Term Consequences.
  - ◆ Staff requests Council to clarify their support for the following statement:
    - ◆ “Commerce City supports transformative and healthy growth and development.”



# Action Items

- ◆ Bike Rack – Follow-up items from the Retreat
- ◆ Trash Contract and Future Discussion
- ◆ Strategic Plan Quarterly Update coming at end of April 2024

# Development Discussion, cont.

City Manager Jason Rogers



# Statement on Development

Based on the conversation at the retreat, staff is requesting Council to clarify support for the following statement:

“Commerce City supports transformative and healthy growth and development.”