Commerce City Council; Mayor Steve Douglas,

We, the undersigned homeowners of Columbine Ranch, formally object to the City of Commerce City's proposed 2045 Comprehensive Development Plan specifically as it relates to the Columbine Ranch Subdivision of unincorporated Adams Gounty. The 2045 Comprehensive Development Plans, provide references and are written to provide Council and Policy makers toward the annexation of currently unincorporated areas including the area of Columbine Ranch. Guidance and language exist throughout the plan identifying Columbine Ranches as both "priority" and "potential" for annexation in the 2045 Comprehensive Development Plan. We believe this annexation will result in significant negative financial and administrative burdens with minimal tangible benefits to our residents.

## Reasons for Our Opposition:

- 1. Zoning Designation Modification: The annexation of properties into Commerce City will allow for the rezoning of the properties removing the ability of the community to own and care for large animals which was the intent of the development of the subdivision when conceived over 50 years ago.
- 2. Community Identity: Columbine Ranch has a unique community identity which was developed over 50 years ago and established local governance. There are other similar communities in the metro area located within or adjacent to cities who currently remain under the designation of unincorporated in the county. This condition exists in Westminster, Thornton, Northglenn, Brighton, Federal Heights, and Commerce City where unincorporated Adams County properties are located adjacent to or are surrounded by these Cities. We fear that annexation will erode this identity and disrupt the community spirit we have worked hard to cultivate.
- 3. Increased Taxes: The annexation will impose additional taxes on our property owners. We are concerned the increase in our tax burden will outweigh any benefits provided by the City of Commerce City.
- 4. Limited Benefits: The anticipated benefits of being annexed, such as city services and infrastructure improvements, are unclear insufficiently detailed and unnecessary. We do not see how these services will enhance our quality of life or justify the increased costs as we are a community that is fully developed with existing access to the resources that
- 5. Existing Services: Our current services and amenities are well-suited to our needs. The transition to city services will not offer a meaningful improvement and could potentially degrade our existing quality of service

6. Fixed Income Properties: Many of the property owners living within the areas designated as "Annexation Priority Area" in the Draft 2045 Comprehensive Development Plan are struggling to pay current necessities and are often existing on fixed incomes. This proposal would directly impact these homeowners disproportionally. Many of these property owners are elderly and from disadvantaged communities. This plan disproportionally burdens these families more than any other group affected by this proposal.

We formally request the designation of an "Annexation Priority Area" be removed from developed residential properties within the Draft 2045 Comprehensive Development Plan. We urge the City of Commerce City Council to reject the current Development Plan until such time the plan can be revised to exclude the Columbine Ranch Subdivision and other developed residential properties from any and all references to proposed annexation.

We believe and formally request our community shall remain independent, preserving our Adams County governance, avoiding the imposition of additional taxes, jurisdictional burdens and zoning restrictions.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Residents of Columbine Ranch

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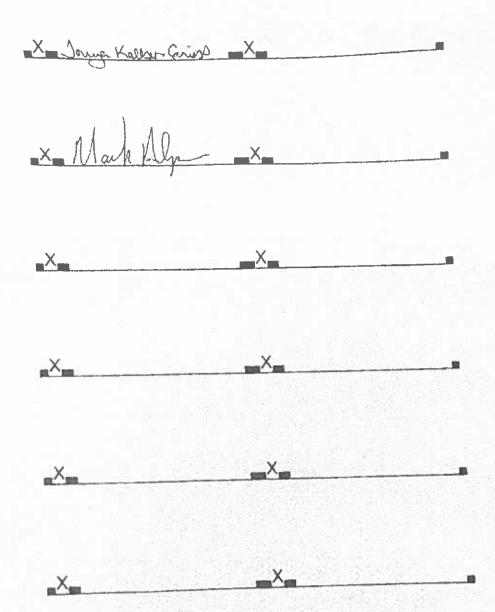
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