



# City Council Communication

**AGENDA DATE:** April 6, 2026

**LEGISTAR ITEM #:** Proc 26-009

**SUBMITTED BY:** Chad Redin  
Golf

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks, Recreation &

<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution	<input type="checkbox"/> Presentation
<input type="checkbox"/> Admin Business	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other

## REQUEST

Proclamation Declaring April 17, 2026 as Arbor Day in Commerce City Colorado

## BACKGROUND

Commerce City has been recognized as a "Tree City USA" by the National Arbor Day Foundation for the 35th consecutive year. This is a testament to the city's promotion and interest in planting and caring for trees on city-owned properties.

To celebrate and promote Arbor Day this year, on April 17th, the Parks, Recreation and Golf department will have flower and plant seed packets and a raffle for eight trees that will be given away to the community via drawings that will be held at both the Eagle Pointe and Bison Ridge Recreation Centers. In addition, Earth Day will be celebrated in partnership with the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge on Saturday, April 18th at the refuge.

The Colorado State Forest Service is recognizing the City of Commerce City for earning the Tree City USA Award. Over the last few years, the value and importance of trees has become increasingly clear. Cities and towns across the globe are facing issues with air quality, water resources, personal health and well-being, and energy use. Commerce City has taken steps to create to a brighter, greener future.

This information was shared at the March 17, 2026 Parks, Recreation & Golf Commission meeting.

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## FINANCIAL IMPACT

Contractor	N/A
Amount of Request/Contract	\$N/A
Amount Not To Exceed	\$N/A
Amount Budgeted	\$N/A
Budget Year	FYN/A
Funding Source	N/A
Additional Funds Needed	\$N/A
Funding Source (if funds needed)	N/A

## PROJECT TIMELINE

<b>Estimated Start Date</b>	<b>Estimated End Date</b>
N/A	N/A
<b>Years and Months of Contract</b>	<b>Number of Times Renewable</b>
N/A	N/A

## JUSTIFICATION

<input type="checkbox"/> Council Goal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strategic Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Work Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Legal
Citation	3.5.8 Opportunities to increase tree canopy		

## BOARDS & COMMISSIONS ASSIGNED

Board or Commission	March 17, 2026 (PRGC)
Recommendation	N/A
Date of Recommendation	N/A

## PUBLIC OUTREACH

The giveaway of the flower and plant seed packets and raffle for eight(8) trees at the recreation centers on April 17, 2026 and for Earth Day on April 18th, 2026 at the refuge will be

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shared/promoted online, via social media, in Connected and the Recreation Guide, as well as printed flyers.

### **AVAILABLE ACTIONS**

Action #1. Accept the proclamation as submitted.  
Action #2. Do not approve the proclamation.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Acceptance of Proclamation Declaring April 17th as Arbor Day in Commerce City, Colorado