# Council Newsletter



#### CITY MANAGER'S NOTES May 31, 2012

#### **Upcoming Council Meetings**

City Council will meet on **Monday**, **June 4**, **2012**. The Study Session will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room. The Regular Meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers. The agendas are attached. Sandwiches will be available at 5:30 p.m.

The following meeting will be Monday, June 11, 2012.

#### **Informative Memoranda**

The following are memoranda in response to City Council's requests, as well as other informational items.

- 1. News Releases and information concerning the death of Officer Jeremy Bitner.
- 2. Article concerning the development at Broadway and Hampden Avenue.
- 3. Article concerning the Copper Pot at 2796 South Broadway.
- 4. Article concerning murals in Englewood.
- 5. Article concerning the Englewood Rotary honoring a teacher, police officer and firefighter.
- 6. Letter expressing appreciation for the Community Development Department and staff members.
- 7. E-mail concerning a branch pickup in the City.
- 8. Memorandum concerning the Project Update.
- 9. Community Development Monthly Update, May, 2012.
- 10. Calendar of Events.
- 11. Tentative Study Session Topics.



### CITY OF ENGLEWOOD

# POLICE DEPARTMENT 3615 S. Elati St., Englewood CO. 80110

# ~OFFICER JEREMY BITNER'S MEMORIAL SERVICES ~

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 31, 2012

Contact: Investigator Brad Johnson, PIO

Phone: 303-762-2433

Contact: Officer Perry Schellpfeffer, PIO

Phone: 303-762-2456

Englewood – On Friday, June 1, 2012, services for Officer Jeremy Bitner will be held at the Denver First Church of the Nazarene, 3800 E. Hampden Ave. at 1:00 PM. Following the Church service the Police procession will travel to the Fort Logan Cemetery for the 3:00 PM interment.

The memorial services at the Denver First Church of the Nazarene will be a private service limited to the Bitner family and friends, and First Responders.

The interment at Fort Logan will be limited to the Bitner Family and friends, and the Englewood Police and Fire Department family. The family has requested that no media be allowed during the interment at Fort Logan.

A Memorial Fund has been established for the Jeremy Bitner family, for those who wish to make a donation please forward to the following locations:

The Officer Jeremy Bitner Memorial Fund

The Belco Credit Union or any Public Service Credit Union, account number #591654637. Donations can also be mailed to:

The Belco Credit Union c/o Officer Jeremy Bitner Memorial Fund P.O. Box 17000 Denver, CO. 80217-7000

The Englewood Police Department asks that all members of the media be sensitive to the Bitner family's privacy and the family has requested not to be contacted by the media.



### CITY OF ENGLEWOOD

# POLICE DEPARTMENT 3615 S. Elati St., Englewood CO. 80110

# OFFICER CRITICALLY INJURED IN HIT AND RUN ACCIDENT

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 28, 2012

Contact: Investigator Brad Johnson, PIO

Phone: 303-762-2433

Contact: Officer Perry Schellpfeffer, PIO

Phone: 303-762-2456

Englewood – On Monday, May 28, 2012, at approximately 12:05 AM, an Englewood Officer conducted a traffic stop in the S/B lanes of the 5200 block of S. Broadway St. The Officer contacted the driver of a gray Mustang for a traffic violation. During the Officer's contact with the driver the driver exited his vehicle and stood beside the officer. As the Officer spoke with the driver, a white Nissan SUV traveling S/B S. Broadway veered into the right hand lanes and struck the Officer and driver of the Mustang as they stood near the patrol car. The white Nissan SUV fled from the scene S/B on S. Broadway. Assisting officers at the scene immediately called in the suspect vehicle information. The Littleton Police Department located the driver of the white SUV several miles from the scene of the hit-and-run.

The Englewood Fire Department arrived on the scene of the accident and transported the Officer and the driver he contacted to Swedish Medical Center.

Littleton PD took the driver of the Nissan SUV into custody for investigation of DUI and vehicular assault. The suspect was later transported to the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Detention facility.

The Officer and the driver are both listed in critical condition.

The investigation is being conducted by the Colorado State Patrol.

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### CITY OF ENGLEWOOD

# POLICE DEPARTMENT 3615 S. Elati St., Englewood CO. 80110

# ~PRESS CONFERENCE REGARDING INJURED ENGLEWOOD OFFICER ~

### Englewood

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 29, 2012

Contact: Investigator Brad Johnson, PIO

Phone: 303-762-2433

Contact: Officer Perry Schellpfeffer, PIO

Phone: 303-762-2456

Englewood – On Tuesday, May 29, 2012, at 3:30 PM Police Chief John Collins will be conducting a press conference at the Englewood Police Department. Chief Collins will advise the status of Officer Jeremy Bitner who was injured after being struck by a hit-and-run driver on May 28, 2012.

A press packet will be made available to all outlets.

The Englewood Police Department asks that all members of the media be sensitive to the Bitner family's privacy and the family has requested not to be contacted by the media.



#### City of Englewood, Colorado News Release

For Immediate Release: May 30, 2012

Media Contact: Michael Flaherty, Deputy City Manager

Phone: (303) 762-2314

Email: 1

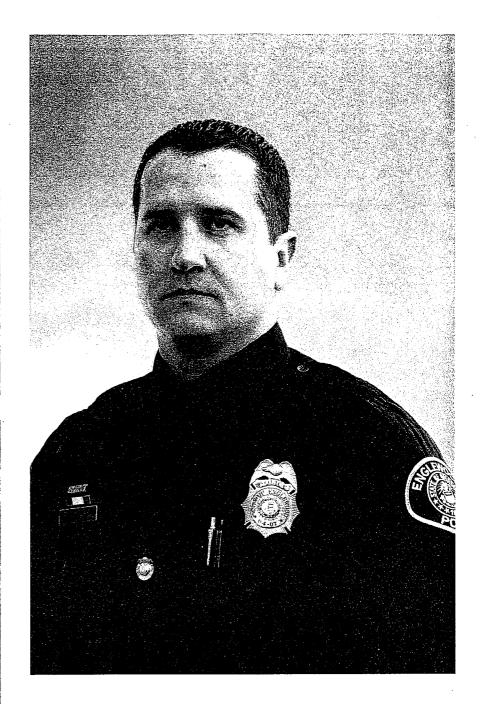
#### Traffic interruption to accommodate funeral procession for fallen officer

**Englewood, CO:** North-South traffic through Highway 285 (Hampden Avenue), between Colorado Boulevard and Sheridan Boulevard, will be interrupted this Friday, June1, 2012, between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. to accommodate the funeral procession for Englewood Police Officer Jeremy Bitner.

All intersections at Highway 285 will be closed along the procession route to allow passage of several hundred police and fire vehicles that will assemble to honor Officer Bitner. The intersections will reopen following passage of the procession. Alternate routes are advised during this time. Heavy traffic is also expected at the intersection of Highway 285 and Colorado Boulevard prior to the 1:00 p.m. funeral service at the 1<sup>st</sup> Church of the Nazerene.

Individuals who wish to pay their respects may view the procession from the sidewalks on either side of Highway 285 in Englewood.

Michael Flaherty
Deputy City Manager
City of Englewood
1000 Englewood Parkway
Englewood, CO 80110
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#### **Officer Jeremy Bitner**

Age: 39 (09/25/72)

United States Army:

Airborne Infantry/ Served in Bosnia

Elbert County Sheriff's Office:

Deputy Sheriff / Six months

**Englewood Police Department:** 

Date of Hire 12/06/04

- Patrol Officer
- SWAT Operator
- Field Training Officer
- CVSA (Voice Stress Examiner)
- CIT Certified Officer
- Instructor Intoxilyzer 5000
- Instructor in the Citizen's Academy Program

#### Police Awards:

- 2005 Commendation: Assisting in the disarming of a suspect armed with a handgun.
- 2006 Medal of Gallantry: Disarming a suspect with a handgun.
- 2012 Five Safety Award

## Memories, grief, questions surround wreck that killed Englewood cop

By Joey Bunch The Denver Post The Denver Post Posted:

DenverPost.com

Jeremy Bitner loved being a cop, but he could never forget his military background, Englewood Police Chief John Collins said Tuesday at a news conference to announce that the 39- year-old officer died in the line of duty.

"I love Jeremy. He was a class act, and former military," Collins said. "Jeremy would never call me by my first name, even though I asked."

About 12:05 a.m. Monday, Bitner was talking to a 20-year-old man he had pulled over on South Broadway near East Belleview Avenue when an SUV driven by a suspected drunken driver slammed into both of them and took off. The suspect, grocery store worker Conner Donahue, 20, is being held on \$100,000 bail.

Bitner died shortly after he was hit, but Englewood police waited until Tuesday afternoon to announce his death.

"We wanted to give the family some space and some time for recovery," said Collins, who asked TV reporters to stop airing broadcasts outside Bitner's home out of respect to the family.

Collins wasn't sure, but Bitner is believed to be the first Englewood officer killed in the line of duty.

"Officer Bitner loved his job," Collins said. "He served his country and the city of Englewood with honor."

An Army veteran, Bitner served in the Airborne Infantry during the Bosnian war in the 1990s.

He is survived by his wife, Christina, and two children, ages 9 and 7.

Bitner became an Englewood officer Dec. 6, 2004. Before that, he served six months as an Elbert County sheriff's deputy.

On two occasions, Bitner faced down armed suspects to make an arrest, earning medals for gallantry.

He also was a SWAT officer, field training officer, voice-stress examiner and an instructor in the department's Citizens Academy, among other achievements and duties, Collins said.

Collins said it was a difficult time for the department of about 70 people. Englewood, located in the south-metro area, has a population of about 30,000.

"We always liken ourselves to a family - a family that serves our city," Collins said. "And anytime we lose a member of our family, especially in this situation, it's nothing less than heartbreaking."

Funeral arrangements and a memorial fund are pending. The man Bitner pulled over, Kevin Montoya, was released from Swedish Medical Center late Tuesday.

Montoya told 9News that he remembers Bitner asking him to stand with him and the officer telling him that he had "swerved a little bit." He never saw the SUV coming.

"I thank the Lord for sparing me, you know?" he told the television station. "So maybe other people learn about this. Whatever you do, don't drink and drive."

He said he hoped Donohue "learns a life lesson from this."

Montoya's father and uncle were with him when he was pulled over. The uncle, Robert Hunter, told9News that the impact Flung Montoya "20 feet off the ground, and he went 50 feet out," before tumbling onto the sidewalk.

The Montoya family also wondered why he was asked to step out of his Mustang onto the busy roadside.

"There was a 5-foot-wide sidewalk right there," Hunter said. "They both could have avoided getting hit if they would have went over here on the sidewalk. There was no reason for them to be standing in the street."

Englewood police spokesman Perry Schellpfeffer told 9News, "Sometimes what you want to do is pull the driver out and explain things, and that apparently is what our officer was doing."

Donahue left the scene but was followed by a witness and was soon arrested by Littleton police.

### Developers propose high-density apartments at Broadway and Hampden

Flood property could provide \$2 million to Englewood Schools

#### BY TOM BARRY

Developers view the former Flood Middle School property in Englewood as a prime site for a high-density four or five story multifamily complex with up to 350 apartments.

"I think this project will be a catalyst for other housing developments and retail in Englewood - filling existing retail spaces that are dormant," said Paul Bergner, the project's architect whose venerable Denver firm specializes in designing multi-family projects.

Flood served only 300 students when it closed in 2007. Students and faculty now share a combined facility at Sinclair School, which is now called Englewood Middle School.

On May 16, more than 50 concerned neighbors gathered at the United Methodist Church and listened to conceptual plans for a high-density development on the southeast corner of Broadway and Hampden in the older established community.

The 4.5-acre tract of land is owned by the Englewood School District, which could receive nearly \$2 million from the prospective sale to Barbury Holdings, one of the developers.

"The contract was signed a year ago and is contingent upon the developer receiving the city's approval to build the proposed complex," said Brian Ewert, Englewood's superintendant.

The school district is separate from the city.

The developers intend to build 300 to 350 units which will rent at around \$1,000 for a one bedroom and \$2,300 for a two bedroom apartment. The complex will provide a pool, fitness center and parking garage for residents.

### Neighbors concerned about traffic and parking

Area residents expressed concerns about the lack of parking, stating approximately 1.7 garage spaces allotted per unit would be insufficient and spill over onto already limited street parking. Neighbors also fear additional traffic will adversely affect Kenyon Avenue along with the currently congested Broadway, a major thoroughfare.

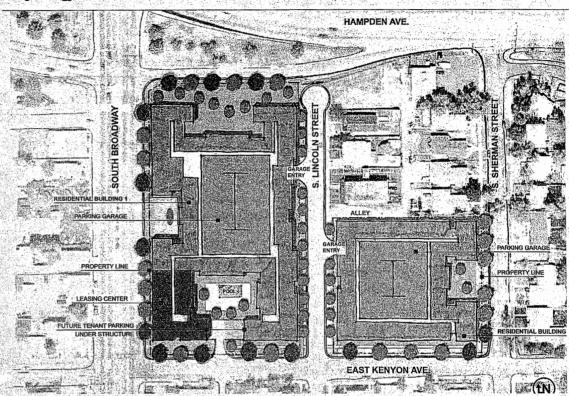
We would plan to build lifestyle housing, said Tim McEntee, regional director of Wood Partners. The company is currently building a comparable development at Cherokee and Alameda, near another light rail station.

#### More retail in Englewood – highest in metro area

Some community residents questioned the wisdom of developers building high-density residential units in lieu of retail space.

"There is already an abundance of retail in Englewood," said Edward Barsocchi representing Barbury. He cited a 2011 economic report done for the city.

Englewood's "City Retail Analysis and Site Development Strategy," commissioned study by BBC Research & Consulting...



This conceptual site plan by Paul Bergner Architects was presented to interested Englewood residents at a public meeting held to discuss the proposed high-density apartment complex at the former Flood Middle School.

"indicated that Englewood contains 82 square feet of retail per capita. This figure is significantly higher than the Denver metro area average (50 square feet per capita) and the national average (24 square feet per capita)."

## Process required for rezoning approval

The proposed project is in its early stages and will undergo an extensive process that will include public meetings, site, engineering and traffic studies and other processes before the City Council considers the rezoning request for a Planned Urban Development approval.

"It is estimated that demolition of the current school structure could cost \$1 million," said Ewert. "The developer will have to go through an abatement process to remove asbestos."

Environmental remediation and demolition would take three months and the apartment units could be constructed in about 18 months.

Barbury developers will most likely go through the rezoning

and PUD process and then sell the packaged project to Wood Partners, which will then construct the actual development.

Developers have unofficially asked the city for financial assistance to relocate part of the old city ditch, which runs through the property in an underground pipe.

Councilwoman Linda Olson, who represents the area, encouraged residents to organize and compile emails to communicate with one another about the proposed Flood high-density complex.

#### The Copper Pot, Englewood

### ALWAYS THE RIGHT MENU CHOICE

#### **Profile**

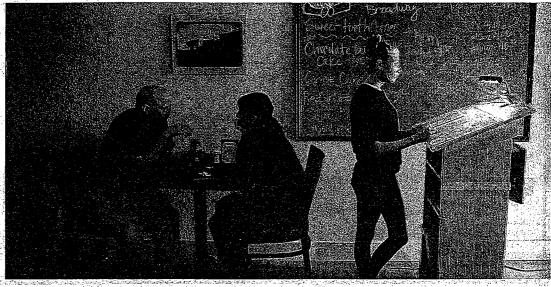
Business: The Copper Pot Address: 2796 S. Broadway and 508 E. Hampden Ave., Englewood. Hours: 11 a.m. 9 p.m. Mon. Thu., 11 a.m. 10 p.m. Fri., 6 a.m. 9 p.m. Sat., 6 a.m. 3 p.m. Sundays Founded: 2010 Contact: 720 382-1272 or copperpotfamily.com Employees: 38

Interview with Joe Jaramillo, owner

Q: How did you get involved in this business?
A I started cooking Italian food, specifically New York-style pizza, pasta and calzones in 1993. I opened the doors to the Original Copper Potion July 3, 2010. Less than two years later we were fortunate enough to be contacted by Jon Cook and we got the opportunity to take over his property at 2796 S. Broadway.

Q: What distinguishes you from other businesses in your category?

A: Everything we do here is from scratch and made from the heart. How we do most. things is "different." From our new one-of-a-kind, state-of-the-art, three-dimen sional Copper Pot art piece that wraps the corner of our building on Broadway to our unique, diverse menu and our baked macaroni and cheese, for instance. I've been told my mac and cheese and chicken pot pie is "fight worthy" You will most likely never leave here wondering if you've made the right menu choice, but rather "what should I try on my next time I visit?" We are very excited to have just launched our breakfast menu on Saturday and Sunday for the Broadway location and so far have gotten rave reviews from our guests. My partner Sarah's and my motto is we use our





two families' cooking experiences carefully blended in one kitchen.

Q: What do you like best about your line of work?

A: I love and get satisfaction from the fact that our community knows that they have a genuine place that they can keep coming back to time and time again and they will always get a sincere and genuine experience at The Copper Pot. We get so many different great families from our immediate neighborhood and also from out of state who come in to get our great food and reasonable prices

Q: What is your business' big-

gest challenge?

A: Like in every restaurant and small business, not knowing the unknown. When are we going to be slamming busy, when are we going to be dead? Which holiday to be open for my community and which to close for all of our

team members' families to
enjoy? It's a serious balance
r and juggle. Summer is a very
tough time with holidays
and events. We have decided to close for most of the

ilies at home.

Q: Something people might
be surprised to learn

major holidays to reserve

the day with our team or fam

about you or your business:
A: The name The Copper Pot was thought up along with 18 to 20 others and posted on my personal Facebook page asking my friends and family; "If you were walking by a restaurant or bar that you knew absolutely nothing about and these were the names, which would you walk into and try? Madisons, The Wooden Spoon, The Copper Pot." And The Copper Pot got the thumbs up with tons of "cool name" remarks, so that's what we went with and the rest was history.



Top: Otis and Holly Isnard eat dinner at The Copper Pot as hostess Rachel Owens waits on customers. Left: Jessica Jaramillo takes drinks from the bar. Seth A. McConnell. Your Hub



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Particular objections were made about the north-facing mural depicting characters from Lewis Carroll's Alice in Wonderland, including a hookah-smoking caterpillar and a pill-popping white rabbit.

A second less controversial mural on the south side depicts a quartet of deceased musicians - Jimi Hendrix. Janis Joplin, Jerry Garcia and Bob Marley.

The city originally cited Headed West owner Mike Mahaney with sign-code violations and ordered him to paint over the murals, which Mahaney said were designed to discourage neighborhood graffiti taggers.

Backed by the American Civil Liberties Union, the business owner lost his first round in court before the Colorado Court of Appeals reversed the first decision in 2009 and sided with Headed West.

"We conclude that the [city] code's special review procedure constitutes a constitutionally impermissible prior restraint on free speech," the three-judge panel wrote in its ruling.

ACLU attorneys had argued that the city singled out Headed West due to the drug-related "speech" on the Alice in Wonderland mural.

At one point, Mahaney voluntarily had the pill on the rabbit's tongue painted over. When he won the lawsuit, he had the image reinserted.

As part of a larger redrafting of its sign code, Englewood is poised to avoid any further lawsuits. According to the draft ordinance, which City Council is expected to consider this summer, Englewood officials would have no say in the content or size of such artwork, as long as it was void of "advertising."

The use of murals to sell products may be as subjective to passersby



advertising, business owners would not have to get a city permit. In 2009, the Colorado Court of Appeals ruled Englewood had overstepped its constitutional bounds in asking Headed West to remove the building's depiction of Alice in Wonderland characters.

as art itself. Liquor Barn, also on South Broadway in Englewood, has a full-size outdoor mural depicting Clydesdale horses, which Budweiser has used in its beer promotions.

Flaherty knows of at least two other large murals painted on businesses in the city. One is on another head shop. The other is on a skate

Mahaney is pleased to see Englewood changing its position.

"It may be a little late for us, but I think it's great that the city finally came around to recognize it as art and not signage as we all knew from the get-go," he said. "They get it now after the long process, after having to pay out money to the ACLU. It was an eye opener for them. It's great not only for us, but for future businesses to display

As Englewood prepares to retool its sign code, Flaherty says the city is prepared to handle the associated complaints from residents and businesses - just as he has in connection to Englewood's publicart initiative.

"We get comments all the time on art, and in particular, sculptures. Some people really like them and some people say that is the ugliest thing I've ever seen," the deputy city manager said. "It'd be nice to have a mural that's artistic. I don't find any murals we've got right now in town particularly attractive, but I don't find them offensive."



#### Englewood Rotary honors teacher, police officer, firefighter

SUBMITTED BY ENGLEWOOD ROTARY

A teacher who inspired her students to conduct community outreach and humanitarian service. A police officer whose team busted a prostitution ring and helped solve a murder. A firefighter so accomplished in his field that he was called to New York to help coordinate the emergency response to Hurricane Irene.

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These are the amazing public servants inducted into the Rotary Club of Englewood's Circle of Heroes May 9. Each has provided 20 years or more in service to the people of Englewood. They are:

- Englewood High School teacher Faye Manceaux
- Englewood Police Sgt. Christian Contos
- Englewood Emergency Medical Services and Emergency Management Coordinator Steve Green

The awards were given at a luncheon at the Wellshire Inn, with local dignitaries, family and close colleagues of the honorees attending, along with Englewood Rotarians. Honorees received engraved crystal awards and gift certificates to Englewood's Steakhouse 10.

Englewood Rotary President Josh Staller said, "As Rotarians we are committed to service, and it is only natural to want to recognize the champions of service in our community. In reflecting on our Circle of Heroes awards this year, first and foremost, I appreciate the exceptional qualities of the nominees. Each of these individuals goes above and beyond what is required of them. Each demonstrates the integrity, commitment and high ethical standards that all of us would like to emulate. And each has had a strong positive impact on the lives of the citizens of our



Englewood High School teacher Faye Manceaux, Englewood Police Sgt. Christian Contos and Englewood **Emergency Medical Services and Emergency Management Coordinator** Steve Green with Circle of Heroes awards. Photo courtesy of Englewood Rotary

community.

"On a more personal note, I was touched that Sgt. Contos wanted to take home the text of his boss's citation to show to his wife. I felt honored that Chief (Michael) Pattarozzi chose to praise Steve Green using Rotary's Four-Way Test as the benchmark. I was inspired that teacher Faye Manceaux had engaged her students in extracurricular activities to help hundreds of others, both at home and abroad."

Here is more on why these honorees are 2012 Rotary Heroes:

#### **Fave Manceaux**

She is retiring after teaching 13 years at Sinclair Middle School and another 13 at Englewood High School. Her proudest moments came in her time with the EHS National Honor Society. She also helped change and save lives with the EHS blood drive, which received regional recognition for its success. This teacher had fun, too, working with students to purchase goats for families in Nicaragua. She has been a teacher and mentor students will not forget.

#### Sqt. Christian Contos

This Hero is a leader, supervising the Impact Team and the School Resource Officer. The Impact Team is Englewood's community policing arm -- officers in polo shirts riding bicycles, making friends, building relationships, resolving disputes. preventing crime. Under Sgt. Contos' leadership the team also received the city's 2012 Distinguished Service Award for its investigation of prostitution and organized crime in Englewood. And another Team investigation into a young adult gang that had caused problems at the city library led to the arrest

and conviction of eight persons involved in a Denver homicide. Sgt. Contos and his team are protecting and improving the quality of life in Englewood.

#### Steve Green

He has been with the Englewood Fire Department since 1982, serving as firefighter. paramedic, lieutenant and his current position as the Emergency Medical Services and Emergency Management Coordinator. He oversees the paramedic program and is active in local, regional and state EMS committees. As Emergency Management Coordinator, he is responsible for developing disaster mitigation, response and recovery plans. In response to Hurricane Irene he spent two weeks in the New York emergency response control center, providing his expertise and experience to anticipate victims' needs and prepare to meet them.

For more information on the club, please visit: www. rotaryclubofenglewood.org.

The Honorable Randy Penn 1000 Englewood Parkway Englewood, CO 80110

May 23, 2012

Dear Mayor Penn,

I am writing to commend your Community Development Department and its exceptional team members.

I have lived at 3250 S. Marion St. for 11 years. The 1951 home I purchased was in need of major repairs and updates, which I spent 9 years working on. Unfortunately, like millions of other Americans, the 2010 and 2011 economy took a very tough toll on me. I was unemployed for 11 months during that period. At the same time the original windows in my home were deteriorating badly; I had a plumbing leak from an upstairs bathroom; and water was seeping into my garage from an ill-constructed wall.

I first came in contact with the Community Development Department when I met with Nancy Fenton, who manages the energy efficiency/window replacement grant program. I cannot begin to tell you how responsive and efficient she was in processing my application. I was, honestly, shocked that any government program could be run so seamlessly. It wasn't until the windows were actually installed and paid for that I really believed this type of service excellence was even possible.

Later, I met Housing Finance Specialist Janet Grimmet to apply for a home rehabilitation loan to make the other urgent repairs to my home. Again, the customer-service ethic was astonishing. This woman is so incredibly knowledgeable, helpful and accessible. She walked me through every step of the process and immediately returned calls to answer my many, many questions. Her greatest strength, however, is her unmatched patience.

In November 2011, I became fully employed again and this month found out that I was eligible to refinance my home under the HARP program. Unfortunately, my lender would not allow the refinancing unless the city loan/lien on my home was closed out. I called Janet and within 24 hours, I met with her, paid off the loan and she provided all the information my lender needed to keep my refinancing process moving. She certainly didn't have to act so quickly, but she did because, I believe, she genuinely enjoys helping people and serving her community.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention Steve Ozburn, who oversaw the construction projects on my home. As a single female homeowner, it was an absolute luxury to have a construction expert identify exactly what needed to be done and make sure that the bids were fair and that the work was done right. I will always appreciate his guidance and patience.

2010 and 2011 were financially terrifying years for me. I had never needed help like I did at that time. The assistance I received from the Community Development Department was both life altering and life affirming. It saved my home and gave me hope during a very difficult time. Some might say that the folks in that department are simply doing their jobs. I say they go far beyond the call of duty when they insert such extraordinary kindness, responsiveness and patience into the work they do every day. Knowing that my local government operates this way makes me proud to call Englewood my home.

Sincerely.

Till Conley

#### Mike Flaherty

From: Sent:

Bruce <

Council

Monday, May 28, 2012 4:54 PM

To: Subject:

City Council

Hello my name is John Fisher and I am new resident of Englewood, CO. First off I love the town and find it very nice and the people are friendly. I do have one quarrel/question. Where I am from in Owensboro, KY there are a couple of trucks that go around with chippers attached to the back via hitch. All the citizens do is get their branches out the curb by 7am, and then the truck will come by and basically run the wood thru the chipper then drive off. The citizen doesn't have branches any longer and the city just got basically free mulch. My question is does Englewood have this service and if it does not...why?

#### MEMORANDUM



TO:

Gary Sears, City Manager

THROUGH:

Rick Kahm, Director of Public Works

FROM:

David Henderson, Engineering/Capital Projects Administrator

DATE:

May 31, 2012

SUBJECT:

PROJECT UPDATES – Denver Water Projects, Duncan Park Planning and Design, Centennial Park Trail Loop, Kent Place, Gas Line Replacement Projects, Concrete Utility Program 2012, City Radio System, Street Maintenance Projects 2012, CityCenter Site Development, Englewood McLellan Reservoir Foundation, Air

Quality/Energy Savings Projects, GPS in City Vehicles

#### DENVER WATER PROJECTS (CONDUIT 13 REHABILITATION)

#### Vault Repair at Quincy/Broadway

The Denver Water Department's contractor, Concrete Works of Colorado, completed patching asphalt and re-opened Quincy Ave. The contractor will be repairing asphalt and re-installing crosswalks. This work is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup> and will require a one-day closure of Quincy at Broadway (8:30 AM to 3:30 PM). Local access to the bank and alley will be maintained.

#### **DUNCAN PARK DEMOLITION**

Environmental remediation is complete. Demolition of the old school building is on hold until Xcel Energy completes gas and electric disconnects. The contractor will be removing three tile mosaic panels from the school building beginning next Tuesday. These mosaics are located on the north exterior wall and are being salvaged for their historical significance. The contractor will load the panels on pallets and City crews will transport them for temporary storage to studio of Diane and Ray Tomasso.

#### CENTENNIAL PARK TRAIL LOOP PROJECT

A contract has been awarded to Standard Concrete, Inc. of Denver, CO for improvements to the loop trail including removing the asphalt and replacing it with a 10-ft. wide concrete path. This project started on Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and is expected to take approximately three months to complete.

#### KENT PLACE

Continuum Partners and Regency Centers Corporation are supplying bi-weekly project information. A link to this information is available on the City's web site: http://www.englewoodgov.org/Index.aspx?page=498

The contractor, Mark Young Construction, Inc., completed parking lot construction. Sidewalk and ramp construction on the east side of University is scheduled to begin soon. Traffic signal activation process will follow with full signal operation expected by mid May.

Colorado Structures Inc., continued construction of the "Fresh Fare by King Soopers". The foundation work is complete and walls are going up.

The contractor expects to complete all items necessary to turn on the traffic signal next week. We anticipate the signal will be operational (in flash mode) on June 4<sup>th</sup>. The signal will remain in flash mode for a couple of days prior to normal operation on Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>.

Staff has rejected some of the University Blvd. paving which was completed last fall. The contractor is required to repave these areas. Arapahoe County expects to overlay the northbound lanes of University.

#### CONCRETE UTILITY 2012

NORAA Concrete Construction began removal and replacement in the northwest section of the City. Staff continued marking concrete scheduled for removal and replacement.

Questions regarding the upcoming program should be directed to the Concrete Utility, 303-762-2360 or concrete utility@englewoodgov.org.

#### CITY RADIO SYSTEM-REPLACEMENT WITH PUSH TO TALK

The Servicenter Garage continues to remove old radios from vehicles as they are being serviced.

#### STREET MAINTENANCE PROJECTS 2012

The 2012 In-House Overlay Program continued. Project lists, as well as construction updates, are on the City's web site under Street Closures.

#### CITYCENTER SITE DEVELOPMENT

#### Alexan East and West Parcels

438 residential units. Alexan's occupancy level for March, 2012 is 94.5%. Commercial uses: Let It Bead, State Farm, Lifetime Family Practice, Cuttin'It Loose, Jackson Hewitt Tax Service, Foothills Physical Therapy, Creative Perspectives, CityCenter Community, Solid Grounds, and Weingarten Realty.

#### Parkway Retail / Office Buildings

Commercial uses: The International House of Pancakes (IHOP), Qdoba, GNC, Supercuts, Nails Center, CityCenter Dental Group, MMB Hearing, Tableaux Interior Design, Englewood Eyecare, Collective Licensing Int'l, Inc., M.P. Hayutin, LLC, CityCenter Wine and Spirits, Quizno's, Miller, Air Walk, "Insurance Company of the West", Printwear Express, Fred Astaire Dance Studio, Wellness Treatment Center, SB Clark Companies, Unifocus, and Bartertown Comics.

#### Bally's Building

Tenants include Bally's, "Blondies Fire House Pub and Restaurant", and MaxFour.

#### Retail South of the Parkway

Tenants: Petco, Ross, Payless Shoes, Coldstone Creamery, Noodles, Sports Authority, and Office Depot. Payless Shoes has closed.

#### Gold Mine Pad

Tenants include: Jamba Juice, Tokyo Joe's, and Mega Wraps. Weingarten Realty announced a new tenant for the vacant space between Mega Wraps and Tokyo Joes, Doctors Express Urgent Care Facility.

#### CityCenter Site

EEFI continues project management of all infrastructure on the site. Staff is monitoring the security, sweeping, snow removal, and day porter services performed under the Common Area Maintenance. **RTD** is replacing the concrete warning strip adjacent to the light rail platform. This is expected to take a couple of weeks to complete.

#### Bradley Station Environmental

EEFI's environmental consultants prepared an Executive Summary Report (dated July 28, 2008). Updates will be provided as additional information is received.

#### ENGLEWOOD MCLELLAN RESERVOIR FOUNDATION (EMRF)

#### PA-84 West

The Mike Ward Infiniti dealership opened on Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. A Grand Opening was held on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

The EMRF lease with the Larry Miller Nissan Dealership was signed on February 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### PA-85 (RTD site)

RTD paid the final billing in the amount of \$591,836.86. Finance has deposited this money in the LTAR fund.

#### PA-85 (Benjamin Franklin Charter School)

The Benjamin Franklin Charter School has received their Certificate of Occupancy.

#### AIR QUALITY/ENERGY SAVING PROJECTS

#### Flex Fuel Program

Currently, 39 of our fleet vehicles are running on E-85 ethanol fuel. All new replacement vehicles (less than ¾ ton) will be compatible with E-85. Approximately 50 Flex Fuel vehicles will be in our fleet within two years. Currently, the cost of E-85 fuel is approx. \$0.40 per gallon less than regular unleaded gasoline. Ten of our fleet vehicles run on Compressed Natural Gas (CNG). 39 on-road vehicles and 23 off road (construction equipment) run on biodiesel fuel.

#### Hybrid Vehicle Purchase

Two hybrid vehicles are in service, one in the Fire Department and one in the Building Division.

#### "Green" Programs

We continue to work with our vendors to expand the Green product line as it becomes available. 90% of our custodial paper supplies are from recycled sources. The Servicenter is now "single-streaming" waste at the Servicenter and a dumpster has been supplied for *cardboard only* recycling.

#### Energy Saving Projects

In 2001, the Public Works Traffic Division began an ongoing program to convert traffic signals from incandescent lamps to Light-Emitting-Diode (LED) bulbs. To date, 80% of our City maintained signals have been converted. LED traffic signals use 90% less energy than incandescent lamps, last 5 times longer, and provide better visibility.

#### Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

Staff discussed a potential grant to install charging stations at the Study Session on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. The joint application has been submitted to the Department of Energy. We have received word that the grant has been approved. Discussions, through the State, continue regarding local regulations, Xcel power issues, public use, and cost.

#### GPS IN VEHICLES

The City received a grant, through RAQC (Regional Air Quality), to install 37 GPS units in some of our fleet vehicles. Our match to the project is the installation. The Servicenter Garage will install with inhouse labor. The GPS units will be installed in Police patrol vehicles, Public Works vehicles, Fire Department equipment, and some Wastewater Treatment Plant vehicles. **GPS equipment installation continued. 20 of the 37 units have been installed so far.** The system will allow us to track locations, easily obtain information regarding quantities of ice slicer dispensed, monitor idle times, and allow the public to track where plow trucks have been.

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTHLY UPDATE May 2012

#### DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROJECTS

- King Soopers (Federal and Belleview)
  - Building plans for King Soopers were submitted in November. The demo permit was approved on December 7 and has not been picked up by the contractor.
  - o Demolition will commence after final approval from corporate Kroger. The committee will render a decision the second week of January.
  - o Landlord and King Soopers working on tenant retention for displaced tenants. Will submit tenant finish plans for Little Caesar's. King Soopers plans on notifying customers about the demolition when their construction timeframe is solidified. Demolition is anticipated to begin March 1.
  - o Staff is in contact with King Soopers' development staff and the broker for the property owner. It is our understanding that Little Caesar's Pizzeria will relocate to existing space within the shopping center. King Soopers will conduct an outreach effort to inform neighbors and patrons of the impending demolition and the closure of the store.
  - o Staff contacted the King Soopers and the broker for the property owner. King Soopers is expected to sign a lease this week which will trigger demolition in 60 days. King Soopers still plans an outreach effort once the demolition date is established.
  - o Store is scheduled to close for demolition on May 5.
  - o Store is closed. Two tenants, Little Caesar's and the liquor store, are relocating to the shops to the north.
- Old Bally's Site (707 East Jefferson)
  - o Staff met with the potential purchaser, architect and engineer on December 7, to review possible flood plain concerns. A DRT was held on December 20 with the architect to discuss the potential purchaser's proposal for a new 2-story 18,000 square foot medical office building.
  - o The optometrist interested in purchasing the Lone Star Property (below) is now looking at the Old Bally's Site.
  - o Staff is in contact with the property owner and understands they are actively working to redevelop the site. Medical office users are the possible users.
  - Staff has been approached by the representative for a potential user for the site who wants to investigate a mixed use project, involving senior housing and commercial.
- Lone Star Property (3590 South Clarkson)
  - o The potential purchaser plans to construct a medical office for an optometrist and have additional medical office space available for lease.

- o Staff is in contact with a broker who is seeking development opportunities on this site. It is our understanding that the site is being marketed to a hotel user.
- o Staff held a DRT with a potential new purchaser who plans to construct a 117-room hotel. The purchaser is in the due diligence process and hopes to have a development timeline to the City within two months. The hotel developer is in the process of solidifying 'room night guarantees' so the project can determine financial feasibility. A copy of the 2007 Hotel Study was presented to the developer. Referrals to the South Metro Denver Events and Visitor's Bureau were provided to the developer to help quantify potential demand for room nights.
- o The hotel developer presented the project to ACE at the April meeting and solicited feedback to help quantify potential demand for potential room nights.
- Staff met with the hotel developer and his consultant to discuss potential room nights. The hotelier will likely request some City financial participation to support the project. Details or a request from the developer has not come forward.

#### Martin Plastics

- o A second DRT meeting was held on November 8, 2011 to review possible changes to building location and parking. The revised plan includes 162 dwelling units in a single L or U-shaped 5-story building located on the southern half of the 3.5 acre site, and 8,640 square-feet of office/commercial space in the existing bowstring truss building on the northern portion of the site. The parking layout is primarily surface with some podium style parking also proposed. A possible community oriented space was discussed for the southwest corner of Oxford Avenue and Navajo Street.
- o Developer attended the January 9, 2012 City Council meeting to discuss financing and possible incentives.
- o Staff met with development team on January 17<sup>th</sup>, to discuss the PUD submittal process and requirements, as well as possible incentives the City may be able to offer.
- The developer has scheduled a neighborhood meeting for Thursday, March
  The intent of the meeting is to get feedback from the neighborhood prior to applying for the Planned Unit Development.
- o Notices for the neighborhood meeting were mailed on February 18, 2012.
- o The neighborhood meeting will be held on March 1, 2012 at the Englewood Rec Center, 7 p.m.
- o The neighborhood meeting was held on March 1, 2012, with approximately 20 people in attendance. Attendees of the meeting appeared to be receptive of the project.

#### Flood Middle School Redevelopment

o On October 3, staff met with the developers for the property to discuss the market for development and provide an update for the redevelopment of the

- property. The developers indicated that the highest potential for redevelopment involves a multi-family centered development. The development team received a copy of Englewood's recently completed retail analysis.
- Staff met with the developer and project team to discuss process and submittal requirements. A rezoning to PUD, to accommodate a multi-family development, is anticipated.
- o Staff contacted the developer and is working to schedule a study session where Council can receive an update on this project from the developer.
- o Staff met with the developer and project team to discuss the required preapplication neighborhood meeting for rezoning to PUD. The neighborhood meeting is tentatively scheduled for 7 p.m., May 16, 2012 at the United Methodist Church at the corner Broadway and Mansfield (3885 South Broadway, Englewood, CO)
- o The developer's required neighborhood meeting was held on May 16, with approximately 40 people in attendance. The attendees expressed various concerns with density, traffic, parking, and loss of green space, while showing some general support for the property being redeveloped. The developer will continue refining the plans with the input received to submit a formal PUD rezoning application in June.

#### Masonic Property

- o Staff contacted the broker listing the property. Based on that conversation staff understands that the Masons will let a note, recorded against the property, revert to the lien holder. Staff has been unable to locate and contact the lien holder to discuss the plans for the site.
- o Staff made a second attempt to contact the broker about the status of the property.
- o The property has reverted back to the lien holder. Staff contacted this individual and he is open to various options for the site including developing the site. We will meet with the property owner in the next couple of weeks to gain a better understanding of his plans.
- Staff held a DRT for a proposed medical office at this site. The developer of this project is the same developer from the Old Bally's Site and Lone Star property projects. He has decided to not proceed with those sites and move to the Masonic site. The DRT did not reveal any major issues or concerns for this site.
- o Staff spoke with the developer seeking to construct the medical building on the Masonic Property and he indicated the property is no longer under contract. They are still seeking possible development sites for a medical office and surgical center.
- The property is now listed by a commercial real estate broker.
- Staff received a call from a broker inquiring about a potential user for the site. The prospective developer has an interest in constructing workforce housing using low income tax credits. Staff mentioned that although this is an allowed use, the previous attempt to use these tax credits at this

location was not supported by the City. The prospective developer followed up on this and has decided not to pursue the project.

#### University Homes PUD

- o Developer hosted a pre-application neighborhood meeting on December 14, 2011 to present the proposed PUD amendment to allow a 6-story, 20-unit condominium development. Approximately 90 people attended the meeting. All attendees who spoke voiced opposition to the proposal. The developer has not indicated whether the project will be submitted. No comment from the developer regarding the project since the neighborhood meeting in December.
- o Staff will meet with a representative on February 29, 2012 to discuss possible redevelopment of 3085 South Broadway (the Funtastic Funbuilding).
- o Staff met with representatives on February 13, 2012 for a possible redevelopment at 5201 South Broadway. The redevelopment would consist of a large auto parts chain and another auto use. They were given DRT information.

#### West Wesley Right of Way Vacation

- o Staff has had a preliminary meeting with All Recycling regarding vacating 200 feet of the 1700 West Wesley public right of way. A formal application has not been submitted.
- o Staff from CD, Public Works, Utilities and Traffic met with engineer and an owner from All Recycling on January 24, 2012. All Recycling will be working out utility, waste water and cul-de-sac issues before submitting a formal application.
- An application for a DRT meeting was submitted on May 18. The DRT meeting will be held Tuesday, May 29.

#### Craig Hospital Expansion

- o Staff met with hospital representatives on January 12, 2012 to discuss the future Craig Hospital expansion. A patient tower would be a use by right in the M-1 zone district. At this time Craig is actively seeking funding and developing a design team. Craig does not have a timeline for the project.
- Staff, including Public Works, Utilities, Police, Fire, and Community Development, met with Craig representatives to discuss vacating Clarkson in front of the hospital. Staff is to identify general impacts and concerns prior to scheduling a follow-up meeting with Craig.

#### Community Housing Development Association (CHDA)

o Staff confirmed zone district designation and allowed uses regarding CHDA's joint project with the Englewood Housing Authority (EHA) to rehabilitate two multi-unit rental properties at 3550 and 3600 South Delaware Street. Additional zoning verification work will occur as CHDA proceeds through

the funding process. Zoning verification completed for both properties and sent to Community Housing Development Association, Inc.

#### Dr. Pepper/Snapple Facility (2840 South Zuni)

o A permit for improvements to the parking lot and delivery area of the beverage distribution facility has been issued. The project will include new pavement, drainage improvements, and a landscape buffer. The improvements should help alleviate past issues with the dust created by delivery trucks that were previously on an unimproved surface.

#### 750 West Hampden

o Received inquiry from the property owner about installing fiber optic infrastructure on US 285. The owner indicates that this infrastructure makes the vacant site more attractive to data oriented users.

#### Englewood Public Schools 7-12 Campus

o Staff will meet with the Englewood Public Schools design team on March 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss plans for the new 7-12 Campus and associated ball field improvements proposed for the current High School location.

#### Old Le Peep Site (990 West Hampden)

- o Staff met with the design team for Veterinary Referral Center of Colorado on April 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss potential plans for expansion onto the LePeep property. The former LePeep restaurant would be demolished for a new building or an expansion of the existing VRCC building.
- Staff is working with the owner's design team on an alternative parking plan to facilitate the potential expansion.

#### Groove Toyota (5460 South Broadway)

- o Groove Toyota has submitted a conceptual design for the renovation and expansion of the existing sales and service facility. A DRT meeting is scheduled for May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Staff contacted representatives from Groove Toyota to discuss the expansion. The proposed \$10 million expansion includes a new showroom and enhanced service center.

#### General Iron Works

 Staff met with the owner of General Iron Works to discuss the PUD process. At this time the owner is working with a consultant on conceptual plans for a residential project.

#### **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

- Board of Adjustment and Appeals
  - o A sign variance was granted on April 11, 2012 for 2950 South Broadway (Billy's Gourmet Hotdogs and Ice Cream). This is a variance to exceed the use's allowable sign area of 134 square feet by 73 square feet.

o On May 9, 2012 the Board of Adjustment and Appeals will conduct a public hearing for a variance request at 4182 South Lincoln Street to encroach 8 feet into the required 25 foot front setback in order to construct a covered front porch.

#### Housing

Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)

- Acquired:
  - o 4825 South Delaware Street
  - o 2320 West Harvard Avenue
  - o 905 West Stanford Avenue
- Under Construction:
  - o 4585 South Julian Street
  - o 4101 South Cherokee Street
- Listed for Sale:

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- Under Contract:
  - o 3395 West Grand Avenue
- Sold:
  - o 4819 South Delaware Street
  - o 2215 West Wesley Avenue
  - o 2198 West Adriatic Avenue
  - o 2335 West Baltic Avenue
  - o 4744 South Galapago Street
  - o 2010 West Baltic Avenue
  - o 3115 South Acoma Street
  - o 3102 West Radcliff Drive
  - o 4681 South Decatur #226
  - o 2295 West Baltic Place
  - o 2293 West Baltic Place
  - o 2159 West Vassar Avenue

#### Englewood Energy Efficiency (E<sup>3</sup>) Grant

All 14 grants are committed and work has begun.

#### SPECIAL PROJECTS

- Englewood Master Bicycle Plan Route Study and Implementation Program
  - o December: Bids were received and reviewed. A contract with the lowest bidder was presented to City Council for approval on December 19, 2011.

The Invitation to Bid was cancelled and the two lowest bidders were asked to submit quotes. A contract has been prepared for the lowest quote - Denver Custom Signs.

- o Denver Custom Signs provided insurance and W9 paperwork to the City, which allowed the City to issue a purchase order and release a Notice to Proceed. Work is underway.
- o Denver Custom Signs has staked sign locations in the field, has procured all sign materials, and is finishing sign production. Denver Custom Signs expects to complete sign installation by March 2.
- o OV Consultants will inspect the completed sign installation work by Denver Custom Signs on March 15.
- o Fourteen bicycle racks have been ordered to be placed in front of sponsoring businesses in the South Broadway BID area.
- o OV Consultants are working with City traffic division staff and Denver Custom Signs to resolve remaining identified issues.
- o Bicycle racks have been ordered and are expected to arrive the week of May 7. Installation will follow.
- o Bicycle racks were delivered the week of May 20.

#### Englewood Downtown and Medical District Complete Streets Study

- o November: Study sessions on Complete Streets Toolbox Document held with the Englewood Transportation Advisory Committee and the Englewood Planning and Zoning Commission.
- o December: City Council was briefed on the study at their December 5, 2011 Study Session.
- o Based on Council direction, Tri-County Health Department was requested to use surplus grant funds for design of a mid-block pedestrian crossing in front of the Gothic Theatre at the January 9 City Council meeting. Staff has hired a consultant and the design work is underway.
- o City Council adopted the Englewood Complete Streets Toolbox as a supplementary policy document in support of Roadmap Englewood: The 2003 Englewood Comprehensive Plan.

#### Station Area Master Plans

- o An RFP has been issued for station area plans for the Englewood, Oxford and Bates Stations. Proposals are due March 30, 2012. Interviews with consultants are anticipated in Mid-April.
- o Interviews were conducted on March 19 and 20. The firm of Crandall Arambula has been selected for the planning effort. A contract and scope of services will be presented for Council's approval on June 4.

#### ZONING

#### Medical District Phase II

o Staff held a study session with City Council on December 12, 2011. A follow-up session is scheduled for January 17, 2012 to present zoning reform options.

- o Based on Council direction at January 17 study session, staff is in the process of drafting code change ordinances for sub-areas 2 and 3, with a public hearing before the Planning and Zoning Commission tentatively scheduled for March 6.
- o Notification of the March 6, 2012 Planning and Zoning Commission public hearing was mailed out to all residents and property owners within 1,000 feet of sub-areas 2 and 3 on February 24, 2012.
- o Public hearing before Planning and Zoning Commission was held on March 6, 2012. City Council first reading is scheduled for April 2, 2012 with the public hearing expected to occur on April 16, 2012.
- o City Council first reading on zoning changes for Medical District Sub-area 2 and 3 took place on April 2.
- o City Council held public hearings for proposed Medical District Sub-area 2 and 3 zoning changes on April 16.
- o City Council second reading for the proposed Medical District Sub-area 3 zoning changes occurred on May 7 and were adopted. Regulations for Sub-area 2 were modified and required an additional second reading which occurred on May 20.
- Sign Code: Staff continues to work on amendments to the Sign Code. The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed and provided comments to staff who completed drafts of the following sections:
  - 1. Administration (purpose, permits, maintenance, variances),
  - 2. Exempt Signs (not requiring a Permit i.e. drive-thru menu boards, election signs),
  - 3. Prohibited Signs (billboards, signs on the deck of a trailer), and
  - 4. Sign Standards for permanent signs (location, height, area, number).
  - o The Public Comment Draft of the Sign Code amendments was completed and posted on the City website.
  - o Presentations were made at the ACE and BID meetings in May.
  - o A Public Forum was held on May 17, with a disappointing, low turnout.
  - o A final draft will be presented at the P&Z public hearing on June 5, with the newest version on the City website. The Department has received comments from approximately 12 individuals; eight from the Public Forum.
  - Council 1<sup>st</sup> reading is scheduled for July 2, with the public hearing scheduled for July 16.
- Sign Code Moratorium: Staff prepared a Resolution to extend the current Moratorium on enforcement of the Sign Code pertaining to banners and portable signs and murals through August 6, 2012. Council will consider the Resolution on February 6. Moratorium extended through August 6, 2012.

Zoning Enforcement: Staff investigated and opened case files on 8 zoning violation complaints; 2 were resolved and 6 remain active. Staff continues to monitor and follow up on 4 previous cases. The 10 open cases include fences (7), home based business (1), tarp carport (1), and storage use in MU-B-2 (1). Results of the 8 new cases opened in April are: 3 resolved, 1 under investigation, and 4 Notice of Violation issued. Two earlier cases have moved to Posting Notice status.

#### **BUSINESS NEWS**

- South Broadway Business Improvement District
  - o BID submitted a revised 2012 Budget and has an approved special assessment for FY2012.
  - o BID expressed an interest in placing security cameras downtown. They have formed a committee to research the matter further, but this is anticipated to be one of their capital projects for 2012.
  - o The BID will present their new slate of officers to City Council at an upcoming meeting. Vicki Skigen has resigned and Dominique Cook has been nominated to fill the vacancy.

#### New Businesses

- o McAllister's Deli is interested in leasing space at the former Blockbuster Building in Englewood Market Place shopping center. Staff contacted the broker to get a status on this prospect and they indicated that the space is being looked at by an architect so they can estimate the cost to build out the restaurant. The restaurant owner is looking at the "numbers" to make sure this location is financially feasible. Staff met with representatives from McAllister's Deli to discuss the plaza and potential improvements that will be presented to Council at the June 4 meeting.
- o Received inquiry from a local comic book retailer seeking space at CityCenter Englewood. Bartertown Comics will open in March. A ribbon cutting is anticipated through the Greater Englewood Chamber of Commerce. Bartertown Comics is now open.
- o Hand Surgery Associates will relocate to Englewood in the medical district. This business will bring approximately 75 new jobs to Englewood. They plan to open in October.

#### Arapahoe County Enterprise Zone

- o Submitting annual report.
- o Submitting 2011 marketing grant reimbursement request.
- o Attended Zone Administrator's meeting to discuss legislative update.

#### Commercial Catalyst Program

- o Received a grant application from Billy's Gourmet Hot Dogs for a signage grant for 2950 South Broadway. Grant request approved; the project is still in construction.
- o Received grant application from The Copper Pot for the vacant Bites

- restaurant at 2790 South Broadway. Designs have been created and the business is moving forward with exterior paint and new signage. This will be their second location in Englewood. Grant for signage, paint and landscaping is approved and pending construction. A portion of the signage package has been installed. **The project is complete.**
- o Received grant application from the property owner of South Side Total Power, 4264 South Broadway. Designs for façade and signage enhancements have been completed. Anticipating owner approval and construction to follow shortly. The project is approved for a grant.
- o Colorado Utility Vehicles recently moved to 4895 South Broadway and has applied for a grant through the Commercial Catalyst Program. Initial designs have been completed. The tenant is getting estimates for the proposed scope of work awning, landscaping, and ornamental ironwork.
- o Springs Automotive has leased the vacant Smart Car space at 2885 South Broadway. The business owner is interested in new signage and exterior paint. The project is currently in the design phase.
- o Received grant inquiry from the owner of 4700 South Santa Fe for signage and landscape enhancements. The proposed project would clean up landscaping and non-conforming signage. The property owner indicated the project would also improve the appearance of the two vacant pad sites adjacent to South Santa Fe for future retail development.

#### Other Business News

- o Contacted broker for the Funtastic Fun property.
- o Contacted broker for the vacant World Savings Bank at Belleview and Broadway. The broker indicated the property was for lease only. He does not anticipate it being a redevelopment site.
- o Met with the broker for the Larry Miller Nissan property to discuss redevelopment or reuse options.
- o Met with the broker for the Larry Miller Nissan property at the NWC of Broadway and Belleview.
- o Contacted the commercial broker for Kent Place.
- o Met with Don Cameron about his industrial properties at 4700 South Santa Fe Drive. Don is looking to enhance the visibility of the retail tenants at this location and has expressed an interest in marketing the two available development sites to retail users.

#### Other Business Activities

- South Metro Denver Chamber of Commerce Business Retention and Expansion Ambassadors meeting with Craig Hospital and Swedish Medical Center. February BRE ambassador's meeting with Millennium Bank.
- Responded to Metro Denver Economic Development Council's prospect inquiry for an insurance provider seeking 150,000 square feet of space in the Enterprise Zone. Provided information about the vacant First Data property. Update: Will conduct a site visit with MD-EDC staff to tour the vacant First Data Property.
- Met with the South Metro Denver Chamber of Commerce to discuss the Business

Retention and Expansion Ambassador's program and the Small Business Development Center training opportunities. Staff will work with the South Metro Denver Chamber to present some of this information to ACE at an upcoming meeting.

- Completed article and advertisement for Colorado Real Estate Journal, which will be published in the June 6 edition.
- Placing Englewood advertisement in the 2012-2013 Metro Denver Economic Profile.

# CITY OF ENGLEWOOD 2012 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Mon., June 4	6:00 p.m.	Study Session, Community Room
	7:30 p.m.	Council Meeting, Council Chambers
Tues. June 5	7:00 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission, City Council Chambers
Wed., June 6	5:45 p.m.	Cultural Arts Commission, City Council Conference Room
	7:00 p.m.	Local Liquor and Medical Marijuana Licensing Authority, City Council Chambers
Mon., June 11	6:00 p.m.	Board and Commission Interviews, City Council Conf. Rm.
Tues. June 12	5:00 p.m.	Water and Sewer Board, Comm. Development Conf. Rm.
	7:00 p.m.	Library Board, Library Board Room
Wed. June 13	Cancelled	Urban Renewal Authority, Comm. Development Conf. Rm.
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Adjustment and Appeals, Council Chambers
Thurs. June 14	11:30 a.m.	Alliance for Commerce in Englewood Committee, City Council Conference Room
Mon., June 18	6:00 p.m.	Study Session, Community Room
	7:30 p.m.	Council Meeting, Council Chambers
Tues. June 19	Cancelled	Planning and Zoning Commission, Telephone Poll
Wed., June 20	7:00 p.m.	Local Liquor and Medical Marijuana Licensing Authority, City Council Chambers
Mon., June 25	Cancelled	Study Session
Mon., July 2	6:00 p.m.	Study Session, Community Room
	7:30 p.m.	Council Meeting, Council Chambers
Tues. July 3	Cancelled	Planning and Zoning Commission, City Council Chambers/City Council Conference Room
Wed., July 4		City Hall closed — Independence Day
	Cancelled	Local Liquor and Medical Marijuana Licensing Authority, Telephone Poll

Mon., July 9	6:00 p.m.	Study Session, Community Room
Tues. July 10	5:00 p.m.	Water and Sewer Board, Community Development Conference Room
	7:00 p.m.	Library Board, Library Board Room
Wed. July 11	5:45 p.m.	Cultural Arts Commission, City Council Conference Room
	Cancelled	Urban Renewal Authority, Community Development Conference Room
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Adjustment and Appeals, Council Chambers
Thurs. July 12	11:30 a.m.	Alliance for Commerce in Englewood Committee, City Council Conference Room
	6:30 p.m.	Transportation Advisory Committee, City Council Conference Room
Mon., July 16	6:00 p.m.	Study Session, Community Room
	7:30 p.m.	Council Meeting, Council Chambers
Tues. July 17	7:00 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission, City Council Chambers/City Council Conference Room
Wed., July 18	6:30 p.m.	Code Enforcement Advisory Bd., City Council Conf. Room
	7:00 p.m.	Local Liquor and Medical Marijuana Licensing Authority, City Council Chambers
Mon., July 23	6:00 p.m.	Study Session, Community Room
Wed., Aug. 1	5:45 p.m.	Cultural Arts Commission, City Council Conference Room
	Cancelled	Local Liquor and Medical Marijuana Licensing Authority, telephone poll
Mon., Aug. 6	6:00 p.m.	Study Session, Community Room
	7:30 p.m.	Council Meeting, Council Chambers
Tues. Aug. 7	7:00 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission, City Council Chambers/City Council Conference Room
Wed. Aug. 8	6:30 p.m.	Urban Renewal Authority, Community Development Conference Room
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Adjustment and Appeals, Council Chambers

### **TENTATIVE**

#### **STUDY SESSIONS TOPICS**

FOR ENGLEWOOD CITY COUNCIL





June 11	Study Session Board and Commission Interviews
June 18	Study Session & Regular Meeting Financial Report July 4 <sup>th</sup> Update Board and Commission Reports
June 25	Study Session Meeting cancelled
July 2	Study Session & Regular Meeting Long Term Asset Reserve Fund - tentative
July 9	Study Session EURA McLellan Reservoir Update
July 16	Study Session & Regular Meeting Financial Report & 6-Month Financial Review Englewood Depot Board and Commission Reports
July 23	Study Session Board and Commission Appreciation
July 30	5 <sup>th</sup> Monday – No meeting scheduled
August 6	Study Session & Regular Meeting
August 13	Study Session
August 20	Study Session & Regular Meeting Financial Report

August 27

Study Session

**Board and Commission Reports** 

September 4

Study Session & Regular Meeting - Tuesday

September 10

**Study Session** 

Preliminary 2013 Budget Discussion

September 17

Study Session & Regular Meeting

Financial Report

September 24

**Study Session** 

2013 Proposed Budget Workshop Board and Commission Reports

October 1

Study Session & Regular Meeting

October 8

Study Session

October 15

Study Session & Regular Meeting

Financial Report

October 22

Study Session

**Board and Commission Reports** 

#### **FUTURE STUDY SESSION TOPICS**

Historic Preservation

ACE role in business initiatives

Security Cameras Update

Acoma Parking Lot Landscape

Board and Commission Alternate Members

CityCenter RTD Parking (July)

Citizens Budget Committee (Fall)

Comprehensive Plan Update (May or June)

**Neighborhood Preservation** 

Full Service City (During Fall Budget Process)

Water Conservation Plan (April or May)

**Concrete Utility Program** 

South Platte River Projects

Golf Course Restaurant Contract