



## FROM THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

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For the week of May 9, 2016

### **Inside** the city

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Information on latest happenings, items of interest.

To see events posted on the city wide calendar please visit our [website](#).

### **Council** follow-up

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Resolution of action items or requests from previous meetings.

#### **Councilman Teter inquired about the outcome of the Prescription Drug Roundup.**

The police department's crime prevention unit collected 100 lbs. of medication between the civic center and substation drop-off locations.

#### **Councilman Douglas inquired about the status of the Chambers Road Multi-Use Trail & Bridge project.**

Two rounds of bids have solicited prices significantly over budget. Staff is recommending modifying the bid with the low bidder to include only those elements of the project related to the bridge widening. Then, the public works department would construct a trail/soft surface shoulder for use by pedestrians to save costs instead of the contractor. A recommendation for contract award will likely be brought to Council June 6 and construction is anticipated to be complete by the end of August 2016. The attached staff memo has more detailed information.

#### **Councilman Douglas inquired about the speed study completed last year at Old Quebec Street/72nd Place.**

In July 2015, the police department monitored the area for several weeks and did not observe any issues other than some students appeared to be using the street to travel to the high school. The attached August 2015 traffic study found a total of 481 vehicles using the street in a 24-hour period. This is in-line with volumes typically seen on a residential street. About two-thirds of the vehicles are traveling eastbound and the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed was 27 mph, 2 mph greater than the posted speed. These results correlate with the observations of the police department and no further action occurred at that time.

#### **Summary of Republic Services Landfill Event**

Republic Services and Commerce City hosted one of the two annual free landfill events Saturday, April 30. Residents are allowed to drop off one carload of non-hazardous materials at the landfill free of charge. Staff documented 441 loads delivered, resulting in a savings to residents of approximately \$35,280. More than two dozen televisions were brought to the event and since Republic does not accept these, they have been transported to the city for proper disposal. Improved communication will occur on what can and cannot be brought to future events.

#### **Update on truck traffic complaints on 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

Please see attached memo from the police department.



## **FROM THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE**

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### **New city biking and walking map**

The parks, recreation and golf department created a new, bilingual walking and biking map, highlighting bike routes, walking trails, and safe routes to school in the city. The city worked with Bicycle Colorado to provide content on the bike side of the map, such as rules of the road, tips for walking and biking and basic bike maintenance. The map will be distributed at upcoming city programs and events such as youth bike rodeos, bike with cops, back to school bike repair, neighborhood outreaches and the annual Bike to Work day event in June. The map was funded by a Colorado Department of Transportation Safe Routes to Schools Grant. A hard copy is included in your folder and available online at [c3gov.com/maps](http://c3gov.com/maps).

### **Development Report**

Attached please find the monthly development report.

### **Legislative report**

Attached please find this week's legislative report and tracking sheet.

### **Correspondence**

- Rep. Perlmutter's District Update – May 2016

### **City Council Work Schedule**

Attached please find the current city council meeting schedule.

# MEMO

To: Brian McBroom, City Manager  
From: Maria A. D'Andrea, P.E., Director of Public Works  
Subject: Chambers Road Multi-Use Trail & Bridge Project, 2015-02-PW  
Date: May 9, 2016

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Councilman Douglas asked that staff provide an update on the Chambers Road Multi-Use Trail & Bridge Project.

The 2015 Capital Improvement Program included a project to construct a soft surface trail between Heartland Drive and the existing sidewalk on the west side of Chambers Road, near the King Soopers development site as well as some type of improved crossing over Second Creek. \$315,000 was budgeted for this effort.

The critical piece of the project is providing pedestrian facilities across Second Creek. Atkins, an engineering consultant, prepared a technical evaluation of the possible options and costs. In summary, three options were considered including:

- Cantilever a sidewalk off of the existing bridge
- Widen the existing bridge, or
- Install a pre-fabricated bridge

Based upon the analysis, including ease of construction, structure cost, field and design services needed to complete the project and use of the structure with future expansion, staff and Atkins recommended widening the existing bridge. A summary of this direction was provided in the October 26, 2015 City Manager's Update. At that time, the plan was to design the project over the winter and bid it in spring 2016 for summer construction.



## MEMO CONTINUED

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Plans were completed and the project was bid out in February. Two bids were received on March 8, 2016. A summary, in relation to the Engineer's Estimate, is shown below:

**3/8/16 Bid Results:**

Engineer's Estimate	\$250,623
KECI Colorado	\$669,623
Taylor Kohrs*	\$72,897,288

\*-contained math errors

Given how high the bids were and the relatively low number of bidders, staff re-evaluated the plans, modified them slightly and re-bid the project. Two bids were received on April 15, 2016. A summary, in relation to the Engineer's Estimate, is shown below:

**4/15/16 Bid Results:**

Engineer's Estimate	\$250,623
Consolidated Resource	\$506,543
KECI Colorado	\$604,573

In follow up conversations with the two bidders, both noted the high traffic control costs for setting the girders and overall construction price increases. Staff analyzed the bridge elements of the project and the trail elements of the project, in relation to the Engineer's Estimate, to determine if one or both was contributing to the high costs. Both elements of the project were roughly twice as much as the Engineer's Estimate as shown in the summary below.



## MEMO CONTINUED

	Bridge Elements	Trail Elements	Total Cost
Engineer's Estimate	\$132,719	\$117,904	\$250,623
Consolidated Resource	\$306,671	\$199,871	\$506,543
KECI Colorado	\$379,929	\$224,644	\$644,573

Given that a concrete sidewalk will be installed at some time in the future as the adjacent property is developed, staff recommends against installing a soft surface trail at a cost of more than \$200K. Instead, staff is proceeding to work with the low bidder, Consolidated Resource, to adjust the project scope to include only the bridge elements. City staff will be used to install a shoulder and gravel or millings along the planned route to be used as a trail for pedestrians. Thus the overall budget can be reduced significantly but will still require some additional funding, as shown below:

**Project Budget:**

<b>Original Project Budget</b>	<b>\$315,000</b>
Design/Engineering	\$39,528
Easement*	\$0
Construction-bridge widening	\$306,671
Construction-trail (by City)	\$0 (direct costs)
5% Contingency	\$14,800
<b>Total Estimated Cost</b>	<b>\$361,000</b>
<b>Net</b>	<b>(\$46,000)</b>

\*-donated by Shea



## MEMO CONTINUED

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Staff is still negotiating the final contract price with Consolidated Resource and will identify a funding source for the approximate \$46,000 shortfall. A recommendation to award a contract will likely be forthcoming at the June 6, 2016 Council agenda.

### Schedule

The contract allows for a 90-day construction time period. If the contract is awarded on June 6, construction would likely be complete by early September 2016.



<b>Commerce City - Speed Study Summary</b>	
<b>East 72nd Place - east of Olive Street</b>	
Start:	6/29/15 11:08 AM
End:	7/1/15 1:13 PM
Duration (days)	2.09
Duration (hours)	50.1
Posted Speed Limit (MPH)	<b>25</b>
<b>Traffic Calming Method 2-Way</b>	<b>1</b>
No Measures of traffic calming will be taken. Please reference Commerce City's Traffic Calming Policy for more information.	
Traffic Calming Method WB	<b>1</b>
Traffic Calming Method EB	<b>1</b>
2-Way 85th Percentile (MPH)	<b>26.30</b>
MPH Over Limit @ 85th %	1.30
WB 85th Percentile (MPH)	<b>24.60</b>
MPH Over Limit @ 85th %	-0.40
EB 85th Percentile (MPH)	<b>27.40</b>
MPH Over Limit @ 85th %	2.40
Total Count 2-way	481
Westbound Count	143
Eastbound Count	338
ADT 2-way	230
ADT Westbound	69
ADT Eastbound	162
Average Speed (MPH)	<b>21.74</b>
Max Speed (MPH)	44.10
Vehicles traveling above speed limit	118
Percentage of vehicles speeding	<b>24.5%</b>
Maximum Gap 2-way (min)	180.88
Average Gap 2-way (sec)	375.34

Speed Range	TOTAL	%Total	Westbound	Eastbound
<15	55	11.4%	21	33
15-20	115	23.9%	45	68
20-25	193	40.1%	57	135
25-30	91	18.9%	16	77
30-35	25	5.2%	4	23
35-40	1	0.2%	0	1
40-45	1	0.2%	0	1
45-50	0	0.0%	0	0
50-55	0	0.0%	0	0
55-60	0	0.0%	0	0
60-65	0	0.0%	0	0
>65	0	0.0%	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>338</b>
<b>Over speed limit</b>	<b>118</b>		<b>20</b>	<b>102</b>

# MEMMO

**To:** Richardson, L.; Police Chief  
**From:** Nichols, C.; Deputy Chief-Operations  
**Subject:** Traffic Complaints/Enforcement on 64th Ave  
**Date:** Monday, May 09, 2016

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In response to the number of recent complaints that we have received in specific regards to the truck traffic along 64<sup>th</sup> Ave between Highway 85 and Quebec I wanted to provide you with a summary of the complaints as well as our enforcement efforts in that area.

### Complaints

Recently we have had at least two concerned citizens complain about the truck traffic on 64<sup>th</sup> Ave. Their specific allegations were related to the speed of the trucks, speed of the general traffic, noise level of the truck traffic, 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue not being a designated truck route, etc...

### Enforcement

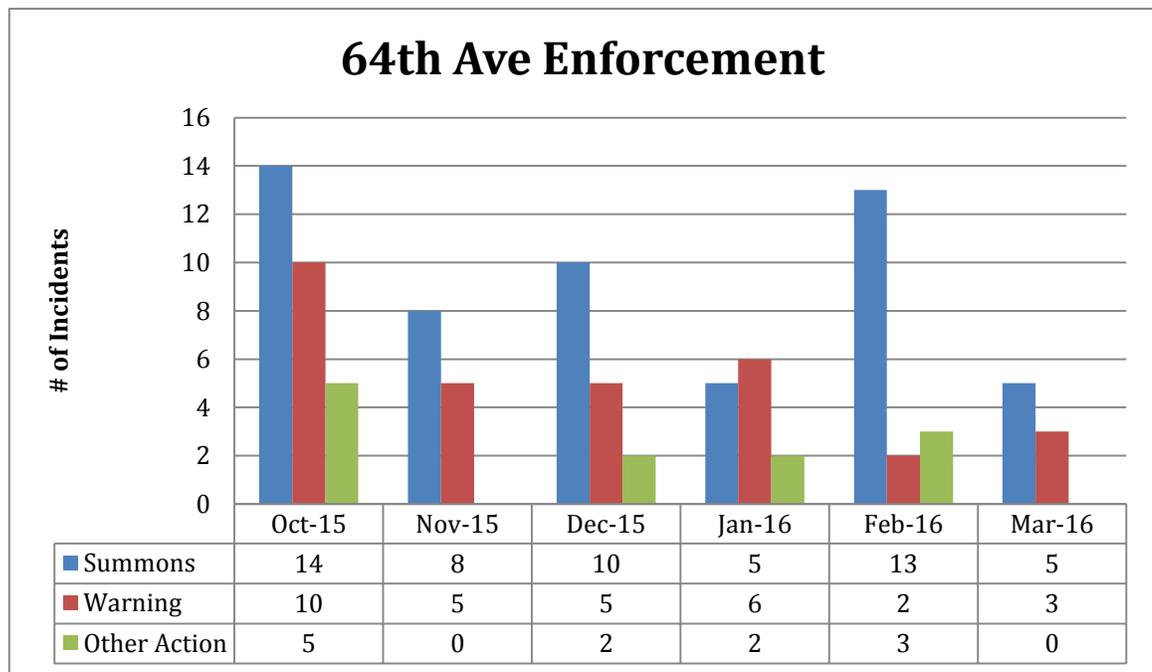
We have had the opportunity to meet with all of the complainants and explain to them our handling of their allegations. We explained that 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue is NOT a designated Truck Route; however it can be used by trucks that have legitimate business on the 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue corridor.

In our enforcement efforts we have determined that many of the trucks using 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue do have legitimate business along the corridor to include two Truck Driving Schools west of the aforementioned location. Many of these trucks are empty and do not violate the load limits. When trucks use the corridor as a pass thru between Highway 2 to Quebec they are in violation and cited accordingly.

Since January 2016 until now we have had the VMS Trailers deployed along and/or in close proximity to 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue in direct relation to these complaints. We have discovered that the general speed along the area is consistent and within normal ranges (+/- 10 MPH).

**MEMO CONTINUED**

Since October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 thru March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 the following enforcement data was collected;



The above chart does not represent the two Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Operations (DDACT) that have been conducted in the area as well. In summary, this represents a significant amount of resources to look into a perceived problem that is not even in the top 5 significant traffic areas in all of Commerce City.

**Summary**

In summation, the Commerce City Police Department will continue to address citizen traffic complaints through data driven approaches. Enforcement of the affected area will continue to occur through both Patrol and Traffic operations.

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# City Development Report

April 2016

*The following list outlines projects that have hit one of six milestones in the development cycle during the prior month. The project names used in this report do not represent the official case name, but rather are edited to make them more descriptive for the purposes of this report.*

<b>Submitted for Development Review</b>	<b>Approximate Location or Address</b>
Westfall Odell Motors – 27,000 s.f. building addition to existing vehicle sales and service operation	7250 East 56 <sup>th</sup> Avenue/5555 Quebec Street
<b>Development Plan Approved</b>	<b>Approximate Location or Address</b>
N/A	N/A
<b>Grading Permit Issued</b>	<b>Approximate Location or Address</b>
Park Industrial IV	5700 East 56 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
Reunion Filing 23, Phase 2	South of 112 <sup>th</sup> Avenue; west of Buffalo Run Golf Course
All Phases Construction	6707 East 88 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
Public Service Company of Colorado	96 <sup>th</sup> Avenue and Buckley Road
<b>Submitted for Building Review</b>	<b>Approximate Location or Address</b>
King Soopers - 3012 s.f. interior remodel	15051 East 104 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
UPS – 5,500 s.f. addition for mezzanine	5020 Ivy Street
North Forest Office – 11,160 s.f. tenant finish	13611 East 104 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, #700
Dion’s Restaurant – new 5,198 s.f. restaurant	15150 East 104 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
<b>Building Permit Issued</b>	<b>Approximate Location or Address</b>
Vasquez Land Associates - 6800 s.f. tenant remodel for marijuana operation	5305 Vasquez Boulevard
Suncor - 264 s.f. power distribution center	5801 Brighton Boulevard
KEW Realty – 50,000 s.f. core/shell building	5710 East 56 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
KEW Realty – 35,000 s.f. core/shell building	5690 East 56 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
Veterinary Hospital – 2,788 s.f. tenant finish	12303 East 104 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
<b>Temporary Certificates of Occupancy Issued</b>	<b>Approximate Location or Address</b>
Buffalo Run Golf Course – 3,138 s.f. tenant remodel	15700 East 112 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
<b>Certificates of Occupancy Issued</b>	<b>Approximate Location or Address</b>
Chronic Therapy - 900 s.f. tenant finish	5401 Dahlia Street
Suncor – 14,365 s.f. interior remodel	5801 Brighton Boulevard
Perfect Teeth Dental Office – 3,250 s.f. – Aspen Hills	15200 East 104 <sup>th</sup> Avenue

*Please keep in mind that receipt of permit or submission for review is not a guarantee that a project will be built. There are numerous reasons, unrelated to the city process, for a project to be delayed or canceled.*

*Please see definitions on following page.*

# DEFINITIONS

## **Development Plan Approval:**

Development approval usually is an administrative review of a development plan that covers the final details for site design, landscaping, architecture, and public improvements to ensure compliance with the development and design standards and provisions of the city's Land Development Code. A development plan should provide the character and layout of the lot or lots including the exact location; the use of each building and area; architectural elevations of buildings indicating height, materials, and color; detailed landscape plan; streets, curb cuts, lighting; utilities, drainage, and other easements.

## **Building Permit:**

A building permit is the formal approval of building plans by Commerce City's building and safety division indicating they meet the requirements of prescribed codes. It is an authorization to proceed with the construction or reconfiguration of a specific structure at a particular site, in accordance with the approved drawings and specifications.

## **Certificate of Occupancy (CO)/Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCO):**

A Certificate of Occupancy (CO) is a document issued by Commerce City's Building & Safety Division certifying a building's compliance with applicable building codes and other laws, and indicating it to be in a condition suitable for occupancy. This certificate is necessary to be able to occupy the structure for everyday use.

A Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCO) grants the same rights as a certificate of occupancy, however, it is only for a temporary period of time. Temporary certificate of occupancies are generally sought after and acquired when a building is still under minor construction, but there are certain areas that are deemed to be habitable, and, upon issuance of TCO, can legally be occupied or sold.

## **Grading Permit:**

A grading permit is required for any excavation, fill, or other earthwork, unless the project is exempted by the Land Development Code. A grading permit may or may not be a precursor to additional construction activity.

# MEMO

**To:** Mayor & Members of Council

**From:** Michelle Halstead, interim director of external affairs

**Subject:** 2016 General Assembly Week 14 Legislative Report

**Date:** May 9, 2016

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As the last 60 hours of 70th General Assembly session tick away, the city is tracking key legislation that will affect municipalities before adjournment no later than midnight May 11.

A total of 759 bills and concurrent resolutions have been introduced; Commerce City is [tracking 96 bills](#) for possible direct or indirect impacts on the city, its employees, businesses and residents.

Barring any late drama, the stage is set for a significant change in the future of beer and liquor sales in Colorado. Late last week, a deal was struck between liquor stores, grocery stores, convenience stores, and scores of other interests – including CML – that will slowly allow beer, wine, and sprints sales in grocery stores and retail stores with a grocery component (i.e., Wal-Mart and Target). The bill still must clear the Senate and move quickly through the House, but it appears there is a commitment to keep the deal intact.

Learn more about monitored legislation [online](#), including summaries and full text of the bill. Updates on council's specific legislative priorities are listed below. City positions are consistent with city council's [approved legislative principles](#) and are noted in parentheses.

Thanks to the [Colorado Municipal League](#), [Axiom Strategies](#) and other cited media sources for providing legislative information.

## **SPECIFIC LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES**

- **Owner-Occupied, Multifamily Housing.** Negotiations regarding a fix to Colorado's construction defects law fell through late last week. The city strongly supports legislation to renew the State Low Income Housing Tax Credit (HB 15-1465), which has led to nearly 2,000 new affordable housing units in Colorado and HB 16-1466, which requires the Treasurer to transfer \$30 million from the State's unclaimed property fund to the Division of Housing. The city also is supporting SB 16-213, which proposes to study construction defects over the next year and adjudicate claims in a separate court.
- **Urban Renewal and Tax Increment Financing.** SB 16-177 awaits the Governor's signature.

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- **Photo Red Light Cameras.** The amended HB 16-1231 passed both Houses and awaits consideration by the Governor's Office. The city's veto request is attached.

### OTHER LEGISLATION OF INTEREST

- **HB 16-1309, Right to Counsel (Oppose)**

HB 16-1309 passed both Houses and awaits consideration by the Governor's office. The city's veto request is attached.

- **HB 16-1311, Court Orders Requiring Monetary Amounts (Oppose)**

HB 16-1311 passed both Houses and awaits consideration by the Governor's office. The city's veto request is attached.

Contact Michelle Halstead at 303-289-3719 or [mhalstead@c3gov.com](mailto:mhalstead@c3gov.com) with questions on these or any other legislative issues.





May 6, 2016

Governor John Hickenlooper  
State of Colorado  
136 State Capitol Building  
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Governor Hickenlooper,

On behalf of the City of Commerce City, I respectfully request your veto of HB 16-1231. The legislation does not achieve the common-sense compromise you advocated for last year and the city supported. In its current form, the bill negatively affects our ability to create a safer community by banning the city's only red light camera system at the intersection of U.S. 85, State Highway 2, 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Parkway Drive.

This seven-legged intersection is one of the worst in the metro area and the state of Colorado, with an average daily traffic count of 56,800 vehicles. Just north of Interstate 270, its obsolete design and high volume of semi-truck traffic makes traditional enforcement impossible, as the risk to pursue violators poses an unreasonable safety risk of the police officer. Short of the state completing a multi-million reconstruction of the interchange, there is nothing more that can be done to engineer safety.

By using the system at the city's worst intersection, the police department has seen a consistent reduction in accidents and – more importantly – altered driver behavior to prevent such incidents from happening in the future.

Implementing this technology wasn't done lightly. The city completed a lengthy public engagement and education process. Since implementing the camera system in 2010, Commerce City has seen the monthly average red light violations per camera decline. The number of accidents at this intersection continues to decline, including rear-end accidents. As a result, we strongly believe local elected officials should be able to choose what law enforcement tools are best for our communities.

In closing, the safety reductions achieved would not be possible with traditional enforcement mechanisms. Simply put, Commerce City cannot enforce this obsolete intersection without the photo red light system.

As such, we respectfully request your veto of HB 16-1231 and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mayor Sean Ford



May 6, 2016

Governor John Hickenlooper  
State of Colorado  
136 State Capitol Building  
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Governor Hickenlooper,

On behalf of the City of Commerce City, I respectfully request your veto of HB 16-1309. The city opposes this bill because defendants already have constitutional protections, the legislation creates several unintended consequences, and it's nearly impossible to implement without adequate state funding.

- **Commerce City adheres to the adequate legal protections that already exist**  
Commerce City is already doing what is constitutionally required by advising a defendant of their right to an attorney and providing one when requested. In the majority opinion of *Rothgery vs. Gillespie County*, the Supreme Court made a narrow finding that a court has a "**reasonable amount of time**" to provide counsel if a defendant asks for one at the first appearance. If the defendant is not released on a charge at the first appearance, the municipal court must appoint counsel. Currently, the attorney then appears at the next court appearance after time to review the case, meet with the defendant and formulate appropriate legal advice.
- **HB 16-1309 is an unfunded mandate**  
As currently written, this legislation is conservatively estimated to cost Commerce City an additional \$67,600 per year. This is because we will need to contract with attorneys and have them available regardless of whether they are utilized. This bill does not take into account C.R.S. 29-1-304.5 which states: "*(1) No new state mandate or an increase in the level of service for an existing state mandate beyond the existing level of service required by law shall be mandated by the general assembly or any state agency on any local government unless the state provides additional moneys to reimburse such local government for the costs of such new state mandate or such increased level of service. In the event that such additional moneys for reimbursement are not provided, such mandate or increased level of*"
- **The appointment of attorney may result in a case to be continued when a case could have been resolved and a defendant released.**  
A very high percentage of our municipal cases are resolved at the first appearance, often with credit for time served or with alternative sanctions other than continued incarceration for those defendants appearing in custody. These defendants are then released. The presence of an attorney with no ability to advise a defendant will unnecessarily delay the process since a continuance must occur to allow the attorney to review the case reports and investigate possible defenses.

- **Most arrests occur after the defendant has failed to appear on a summons.**  
Courts generally grant personal recognizance bonds when the defendant has failed to appear a few times on a case, but after numerous missed court dates, the court must consider the waste of resources with numerous arrests for the same charge. The court then has good reason to keep the defendant in custody to resolve the case. Again, municipal cases are often resolved at the first appearance allowing the court to release the defendant immediately with credit for time served or with an alternative sentence such as a fine or community service.

As such, we respectfully request your veto of HB 16-1309. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sean Ford", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Mayor Sean Ford



May 6, 2016

Governor John Hickenlooper  
State of Colorado  
136 State Capitol Building  
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Governor Hickenlooper,

On behalf of the City of Commerce City, I respectfully request your veto of HB 16-1311.

This bill sets forth definitions and procedures for courts to determine a defendant's ability to pay a fine and removes our ability to enforce the requirement of a defendant's appearance in court for a hearing on failure to pay. As currently written, defendants will be compelled to pay their fines only if they voluntarily appear at their hearings.

- **HB 16-1311 perpetuates a false premise that municipal courts jail the poor without taking into account someone's ability to pay a fine.** Commerce City has no interest in, nor history of, jailing the poor and disadvantaged when the appropriate sentence is a fine. Most municipal courts agree that a case where a fine is appropriate should not turn into a case with jail only based on failure to pay or appear.

The process defining the contempt procedure in HB 16-1311 assumes courts want to impose a jail sentence for failure to pay a fine. This could not be further from the truth. The contempt procedure is not often used because courts want to compel payment when there is an ability to pay, rather than go through a procedure for which sanctions includes jail time. Further, this bill places the burden on the court to determine that the defendant is not indigent or that a jail sentence would not cause the defendant or their family undue hardship. The court would have no means of making that determination without information from the defendant. The bill also is silent about the court's remedy if the defendant fails to appear for the contempt hearing.

Commerce City encourages defendants to set up payment plans, take time to find employment, get necessary treatment or do what needs to be done to overcome the obstacles to payment. If a person has no ability to pay, we regularly give alternative sentences such as community service and educational programs.

- **HB 16-1311 prohibits the court from issuing a warrant when the defendant fails to appear** after getting notice that their appearance is required in court for a hearing on ability to pay if they fail to make a payment.
- **HB 16-1311 makes municipal court fines unenforceable.** Violations of ordinances should retain the most common and appropriate consequence, fines, where jail or lengthy supervision or suspended sentences are too harsh.

As such, we respectfully request your veto of HB 16-1311. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Mayor Sean Ford

## Rep. Perlmutter's District Update – May 2016



I'm looking forward to being home in Colorado this week to enjoy the nice spring weather (hopefully we've seen the last of the snow). We have a lot of great events planned including visits to local elementary and middle schools, Spring Awards Ceremony, and the 2016 Congressional Art Competition Reception.

We started the week with our second **Commuting With Your Congressman** event where I rode the Light Rail's W Line with constituents during their morning

commute. This is another helpful way to offer mobile office hours and talk with folks where and when it's convenient for them. This is a relatively new type of event for our office with the first-ever event taking place last fall.



This year's **Spring Awards Ceremony** on May 7<sup>th</sup> will recognize our students who are receiving an Academy nomination as well as highlighting three Congressional Youth Award winners. This year, we had 33 students seek Academy nominations through our office – 22 of whom received a nomination to at least one Academy. Fourteen appointments were offered to the class of 2020 and ten were accepted. The winners come from all over the district including Golden, Thornton, Lakewood, Arvada and Northglenn. This is a great opportunity for students and I want to extend heartfelt congratulations to everyone who received a nomination this year.

On Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, we will recognize all the students and their families who participated in our **2016 Congressional Art Competition**. During the reception, we will also announce this year's winner. The winning art piece will be displayed in the Cannon Tunnel of the United States Capitol building for one year with the artist and a family member invited to the Annual Congressional Art Show reception held in June in Washington, DC.



Last week, I was [honored to co-host a screening](#) with Rep. Mike Coffman (CO-06) to showcase an important documentary film produced by KOA Radio's Steffan Tubbs. The film, ***ACRONYM: A Cross-Generational Battle with PTSD***, focuses on veteran mental health and the traditional and non-traditional treatment options that are available and helpful for veterans dealing with PTSD. Steffan is a great advocate for veterans and I applaud him and his team on the effort and initiative in putting this film together.

Lastly, I want to continue to celebrate the very exciting opening of the **University of Colorado A Line** between Union Station and DIA – or as I like to call it, the "Buff Line". In a mere 37 minutes from downtown Denver, Coloradans can get to our world-renowned airport and off to almost anywhere in the world. It's a major step forward for our transportation system and helps the Denver region become a model for the rest of the nation. I'm proud to represent a region that is committed to forward-thinking transit projects such as this and look forward to the opening of other FasTracks projects in our region.

Also, [don't forget to RSVP](#) for the premiere of our fourth **Veterans History Project documentary film**, produced by the students and faculty at Westminster High School on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

[Click here](#) or call my office at (303) 274-7944 for more information about how my office can help you. You can also track my latest news and activities by following me on Facebook ([Congressman Ed Perlmutter](#)) and Twitter ([@RepPerlmutter](#)).

City Council Work Schedule				
Date	Item	Description	Dept.	Time
<b>May 9, 2016</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Pres 16-05	Backyard Chicken Update	CD	0:45
	Pres 16-180	Trails Update	PR&G	0:45
	Pres 16-230	2016 Pavement Maintenance Overview	PW	0:30
	Pres 16-108	Weed Management and Mowing Plan Presentation	PW	0:30
	Pres 16-171	Mosquito Control Program	PW	0:15
		<b>Total Meeting Time</b>		<b>3:00</b>
<b>May 16, 2016</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
<b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b>	16-15	An executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e) for the purpose of instructing negotiators regarding water transactions and potential contracts	CD	1:00
<b>PROC &amp; RECOGNITION</b>	Rec 16-19	Recognition of Commerce City Historical Society Coloring Book Winners	CMO	0:20
	Proc 16-05	Public Works Week Proclamation	COMM	0:05
	Proc 16-06	Kids to Parks Day Proclamation	PR&G	0:05
	Proc 16-07	Proclamation recognizing Malcolm Castellaw's service to Commerce City	FD	0:05
	Proc 16-13	Proclamation Recognizing Buffalo Run Golf Course 20 year anniversary	PR&G	0:05
	Proc 16-14	Proclamation declaring May 15-21, 2016 as Commerce City Police Week	PD	0:05
<b>CONSENT</b>	Ord 2086	Grant Recognition - CDOT - \$691,600 (1st reading April 18)	FD	<b>0:05</b>
	Res 2016-03	Award of Contract - Pena Boulevard at Tower Road On-ramp Design	PW	n/a
	Res 2016-60	Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) Grant Resolution	PR&G	n/a
	Res 2016-62	RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO INCLUSION OF PROPERTY IN THE SERVICE AREA OF DIATC METROPOLITAN DISTRICT	CD	n/a
	Res 2016-65	Resolution Approving IGA with Adams County for Kenwood Outfall	PW	n/a
	Res 2016-66	RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO DESIGNATED BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OF COMMERCE CITY	CMO	n/a
	Res 2016-67	Easement for PSCO for Central Park Blvd. Project	PW	n/a
<b>PUB HEARING</b>	CU-110-16	Travel Centers of America; CUP for truck stop; 5101 Quebec St	CD	0:05
	Z-926-16	The City of Commerce City; rezone from PUD to Public the property; north of E. 112th Ave & east of Potomac Street (PIN 172306301001) (2nd reading June 6)	CD	0:15
	Z-936-16	Tait & Associates, Inc.;rezone from PUD to C-2 at 15050 E. 104th Avenue. (2nd reading June 6)	CD	0:15
<b>RESOLUTION</b>	Res 2016-26	Resolution approving Economic Development incentives for Project True North	ED	0:20
<b>ORD 1ST READING</b>	Ord 2099	Grant Recognition - E-470 Transportation Safety Foundation \$2,500 (2nd reading June 6)	FD	0:05
	Ord 2102	Youth Commission Term Changes (2nd reading June 6)	COMM	0:05
<b>PRESENTATION</b>	Pres 16-240	Waste Management 2015 Trash and Recycling Program Presentation	PW	0:30
	Pres 16-218	Community Enterprise Mission and Community Work	COMM	0:20
<b>ADMIN BUSINESS</b>				0:15
<b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b>	16-21	An executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e) for the purpose of instructing negotiators regarding the Conter Lease Agreement	CD	0:30
		<b>Total Meeting Time</b>		<b>5:00</b>
<b>May 23, 2016</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Pres 16-67	New Recreation Center Design Update	CMO	1:00
	Pres 16-81	Commerce City Clean (3C's) project update	CD	0:30
	Pres 16-317	Overview of Bond Issuance Process	FD	0:20
	Pres 16-320	City Attorney Recruitment	HR	2:00
		<b>Total Meeting Time</b>		<b>4:05</b>

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Date	Item	Description	Dept.	Time
May 30, 2016		HOLIDAY/5TH MONDAY - NO MEETING		
June 6, 2016				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
<b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b>	16-33	An executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) for the purpose of receiving legal advice concerning public official training through CIRSA	HR	1:00
<b>PROC &amp; RECOGNITION</b>	Rec 16-31	Recognition of 2016 Memorial Day Parade winners	CMO	0:20
	Rec 16-32	LiveWell Colorado Recognition	CMO	0:10
	Rec 16-34	Senior Advisory Committee Recognition and Update	PR&G	0:20
<b>CONSENT</b>	Ord 2080	Noxious Weed Management Plan changes (adding violation penalties) (1st reading May 2)	CD	0:05
	Ord 2087	Grant Recognition - Click It or Ticket - \$3,060.00 (1st reading May 2)	FD	n/a
	Ord 2088	Grant Recognition - CDOT DUI - \$5,000 (1st reading May 2)	FD	n/a
	Ord 2099	Grant Recognition - E-470 Transportation Safety Foundation \$2,500 (1st reading May 16)	FD	n/a
	Ord 2102	Youth Commission Term Changes (1st reading May 16)	COMM	n/a
	AN-233-15-16	Legal Description Change (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Z-896-11-12-16	DIA Tech Center LLC is requesting a zone change from AG (Agricultural) to PUD (Planned Unit Development) for employment uses for two parcels (PIN 172300000103 and PIN 172300000104) generally located north of E. 81st Avenue and west of Tower Road (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Z-933-16	Eric Bush is requesting a zone change from I-2 to C-3 for the property located at 5844 Dahlia Street (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Z-926-16	The City of Commerce City; rezone from PUD to Public the property; north of E. 112th Ave & east of Potomac Street (PIN 172306301001) (1st reading May 16)	CD	n/a
	Z-936-16	Tait & Associates, Inc.;rezone from PUD to C-2 at 15050 E. 104th Avenue. (1st reading May 16)	CD	n/a
	Res 2016-28	Contract Award Chambers Multi-use Trail and Bridge	PW	n/a
	Res 2016-57	Resolution approving settlement of Hammer Litigation	CA	n/a
<b>PUB HEARING</b>	Ord 2079	Building Code Update (2nd reading June 6)	CD	0:45
	Ord 2089	An Ordinance Adopting the 2012 International Existing Building Code (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Ord 2090	An Ordinance Adopting the 2012 International Residential Code (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Ord 2091	An Ordinance Adopting the 2012 International Fire Code (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Ord 2092	An Ordinance Adopting the 2012 International Fuel Gas Code (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Ord 2093	An Ordinance Adopting the 2012 International Mechanical Code (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Ord 2094	An Ordinance Adopting the 2012 International Plumbing Code (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Ord 2095	An Ordinance Adopting the 2012 International Energy Conservation Code (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Ord 2096	An Ordinance Adopting the 2014 National Electric Code (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Ord 2097	An Ordinance Adopting the 2012 International Property Maintenance Code (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
	Ord 2098	An Ordinance Repealing the Elevator, Escalator, Platform and Chair Lift Codes and Performance Code for Buildings and Facilities (1st reading May 2)	CD	n/a
<b>RESOLUTION</b>	Res 2016-69	RESOLUTION APPROVING WATER RESOURCES AGREEMENT WITH SACSWD	CD	
	Res 2016-70	RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR THE NEW RECREATION CENTER DESIGN SERVICES	CMO	
<b>ORD 1ST READING PRESENTATION</b>				
<b>ADMIN BUSINESS</b>				0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>3:55</b>
June 13, 2016				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Pres 16-231	CDBG Consolidated Plan Update	CD	0:45
	Pres 16-241	Fee study follow-up Discussion	CD	1:20
	Pres 16-331	City Attorney Recruitment Update	HR	0:30
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>2:50</b>

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<b>June 20, 2016</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
<b>PROC &amp; RECOGNITION</b>	Proc 16-03	2016 Day of Play and Parks & Recreation Month	PR&G	0:10
<b>CONSENT</b>	Res 2016-34	Approval of Contract for East 72nd Avenue (SRTS)	PW	<b>0:05</b>
	Res 2016-64	A resolution codifying the City of Commerce City's Healthy Eating and Active Living (HEAL) committee	CMO	n/a
<b>PUB HEARING</b>				
<b>RESOLUTION</b>	Res 2016-68	Resolution Approving IGA with SACWSD, City of Commerce City, ECAGID, ERAGID and NIGID	CD	
<b>ORD 1ST READING</b>				
<b>PRESENTATION</b>				
<b>ADMIN BUSINESS</b>				0:15
		<b>Total Meeting Time</b>		<b>1:30</b>
<b>June 20, 2016</b>				
<b>NIGID</b>		Call to Order/Roll Call		0:05
<b>RESOLUTION</b>	NIGID 2016-07	Resolution establishing requirements regarding inclusions and annexations	CD	0:15
	NIGID 2016-08	Resolution Approving IGA with SACWSD and City of Commerce City	CDq	
		<b>Total Meeting Time</b>		<b>0:20</b>
<b>June 20, 2016</b>				
<b>ECAGID</b>		Call to Order/Roll Call		0:05
<b>RESOLUTION</b>	ECAGID 16-04	Resolution establishing requirements regarding inclusions and annexations	CD	0:05
	ECAGID 16-05	Resolution Approving IGA with SACSWD and City of Commerce City	CD	
		<b>Total Meeting Time</b>		<b>0:10</b>
<b>June 20, 2016</b>				
<b>ERAGID</b>		Call to Order/Roll Call		0:05
<b>RESOLUTION</b>	ERAGID 16-05	Resolution establishing requirements regarding inclusions and annexations	CD	0:05
	ERAGID 16-06	Resolution Approving IGA with SACWSD and City of Commerce City	CD	
		<b>Total Meeting Time</b>		<b>0:10</b>
<b>June 27, 2016</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Pres 16-68	New Recreation Center Design Update	CMO	1:00
	Pres 16-277	Mobile Food Vendor Discussion	CD	0:45
	Pres 16-334	Discussion on facility naming process for Highway 2, Recreation Centers	CMO	0:45
		<b>Total Meeting Time</b>		<b>2:45</b>
<b>July 4, 2016</b>				
<b>HOLIDAY - NO MEETING</b>				
<b>July 11, 2016</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Pres 16-318	Preliminry Budget Session: CIPP Discussion	FD	0:30
	Pres 16-321	City Council Winter Retreat Follow-up on Economic Development Goal for 2017	ED	
		<b>Total Meeting Time</b>		<b>0:45</b>
<b>July 18, 2016</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
<b>PROC &amp; RECOGNITION</b>				
<b>CONSENT</b>	Res 2016-33	Approval of Contract for Construction of Highway 2	PW	<b>0:05</b>
<b>PUB HEARING</b>	Z-934-16	The City of Commerce City is reuquesting to rezone from Adams County A-3 to Commerce City Public for the property located north of E. 112th Avenue between Potomac Street and Chambers Road (PIN: 172306000013 and PIN 172306200001).	CD	0:45
<b>RESOLUTION</b>				
<b>ORD 1ST READING</b>				
<b>PRESENTATION</b>				
<b>ADMIN BUSINESS</b>				0:15
		<b>Total Meeting Time</b>		<b>2:05</b>





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Date	Item	Description	Dept.	Time
<b>October 17, 2016</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT				0:05
PUB HEARING	Res 2016-39	Open Public Hearing on 2017 Budget	FD	0:15
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING				
PRESENTATION				
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>1:35</b>
<b>October 17, 2016</b>				
<b>NIGID</b>		Call to Order/Roll Call		0:05
MINUTES				
PUB HEARING	Res NIGID 2016-06	Open Public Hearing on 2017 Budget	FD	0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:20</b>
<b>October 17, 2016</b>				
<b>ECAGID</b>		Call to Order/Roll Call		0:05
MINUTES				
PUB HEARING	Res ECAGID 16-03	Open Public Hearing on 2017 Budget	FD	0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:20</b>
<b>October 17, 2016</b>				
<b>ERAGID</b>		Call to Order/Roll Call		0:05
MINUTES				
PUB HEARING	Res ERAGID 16-04	Open Public Hearing on 2017 Budget	FD	0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:20</b>
<b>October 24, 2016</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
DISCUSSION	Pres 16-181	Recreation Fees and Charges	PR&G	0:45
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>1:00</b>



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Date	Item	Description	Dept.	Time
<b>November 28, 2016</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
DISCUSSION				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>
<b>December 5, 2016</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT				0:05
PUB HEARING				
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING				
PRESENTATION				
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>1:20</b>
<b>December 12, 2016</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
DISCUSSION				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>
<b>December 19, 2016</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT				
PUB HEARING				
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING				
PRESENTATION				
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>1:15</b>
<b>December 26, 2016</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
DISCUSSION				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>
<b>January 2, 2017</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT				
PUB HEARING				
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING				
PRESENTATION				
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>1:15</b>

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Date	Item	Description	Dept.	Time
<b>January 9, 2017</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
<b>DISCUSSION</b>				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>
<b>January 16, 2017</b>		<b>HOLIDAY - NO MEETING</b>		
<b>January 23, 2017</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
<b>DISCUSSION</b>				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>
<b>February 6, 2017</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
<b>PROC &amp; RECOGNITION</b>				
<b>CONSENT</b>				
<b>PUB HEARING</b>				
<b>RESOLUTION</b>				
<b>ORD 1ST READING</b>				
<b>PRESENTATION</b>				
<b>ADMIN BUSINESS</b>				0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>1:15</b>
<b>February 13, 2017</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
<b>DISCUSSION</b>				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>
<b>February 20, 2017</b>		<b>HOLIDAY - NO MEETING</b>		
<b>February 27, 2017</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
<b>DISCUSSION</b>				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>
<b>March 6, 2017</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
<b>PROC &amp; RECOGNITION</b>				
<b>CONSENT</b>				
<b>PUB HEARING</b>				
<b>RESOLUTION</b>				
<b>ORD 1ST READING</b>				
<b>PRESENTATION</b>				
<b>ADMIN BUSINESS</b>				0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>1:15</b>

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Date	Item	Description	Dept.	Time
<b>March 13, 2017</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
DISCUSSION				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>
<b>March 20, 2017</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT				
PUB HEARING				
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING				
PRESENTATION				
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>1:15</b>
<b>March 27, 2017</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
DISCUSSION				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>
<b>April 3, 2017</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT				
PUB HEARING				
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING				
PRESENTATION				
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>1:15</b>
<b>April 10, 2017</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
DISCUSSION				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>
<b>April 17, 2017</b>				
<b>REGULAR</b>		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:00
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT				
PUB HEARING				
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING				
PRESENTATION				
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>1:15</b>
<b>April 24, 2017</b>				
<b>STUDY SESSION</b>		Reports	CMO	0:15
DISCUSSION				
			<b>Total Meeting Time</b>	<b>0:15</b>

