

Minutes

1. Call to order: President Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:47pm.
 - o Attendance (A quorum was present.), Members:

Cherry Knolls	FoxRidge	Greenwood South
Hanover Place	Heritage Place	Homestead Farm
Hunters Hill Condos	The Knollls	Mill Creek
Mira Vista	Nob Hill/Ridgeview Hills South	Orchard Valley
Palos Verdes	Tiffany	Walnut Hills
	Willow Creek 2	
 - o Guests: 18th Judicial District (2); Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, Arapahoe Library Dist., Arapahoe Park & Rec. Dist., Centennial Council Member Dist. 3, City of Centennial Neighborhood Services Director, Rhonda Livingston
 - o **Highlighted areas below are good information for neighborhood newsletters. CenCON Business**

7. **CenCON Business**
 - A. President's report, Gerry Cummins
 - We're looking for ideas on what you'd like to see for next month's program. Please, contact me if you have a brainstorm.
 - How do you all feel about meeting in person? Several people said they were ready to go back to in person meeting.
 - B. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka
 - A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as emailed. Doerr/Kirrane
 - C. Treasurers' report, Jill Meakins, not present
 - Balance Forward: \$2,564.97
 - o Deposits: 440.00
 - o Expenses: (10.00)
 - o Interest Income: 0.00
 - **Ending Balance: \$2,994.97**
 - Expenses: Secretary of State filing
 - Notes:
 - o 2020 37 paid members
 - o 2021 25 paid members

- Guest: District Attorney John Kellner Update (Vicki Klingensmith, Senior Chief Deputy District Attorney)
 - The DA was called away and Vicki Klingensmith took his place.
 - Her job is to supervise the District's prosecution teams.
 - **She wanted to speak with us about SB-273, titled Pre-Trial Reform. It removes discretion for officers to arrest on misdemeanors, regardless of the history of the offender. It also takes away the discretion of the courts; they must issue personal recognizance bonds no matter how many times they've been in court. (Class 4, 5, 6 felonies)**

- *Andrea: Here is a quote from an abstract of the bill: The bill prohibits a peace officer from arresting a person based solely on the alleged commission of a traffic of-fense, petty offense, drug petty offense, municipal offense, drug misdemeanor of-fense, or misdemeanor offense, unless: Custodial arrest is statutorily required; The offense is a victim rights crime; the offense includes an element of illegal possession or use of a firearm; or the offense constitutes unlawful sexual behavior, failure to register as a sex offender, or the offense is a violation of a temporary or regular extreme risk protection order, a violation of a credible threat to a school, or a violation of eluding in a vehicle; or the officer is unable to sufficiently verify the individual's identity absent a custodial arrest. (Custodial arrest means to take the person in to jail.)*
- The DA has written a letter to the Legislature in opposition with many sheriffs and chiefs of police signing on.
- It's in the Senate Finance Committee right now. Some of the sponsors are Senators Moreno & Lee, and Representatives Benavidez & Bacon.
- Seymour: What is the difference between this bill and SB62 from earlier?
Klingensmith: There's very little difference between the two.

3. Guest Comments

A. [Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office](#), Capt. Ken McKlem

- The Regional Crime Lab, Arapahoe & Douglas Counties and Aurora, opened a few years ago. It has just received its accreditation. The Lab is located in DougCo, close to the border with ArapCo.
- Before the meeting, Suhaka had asked if we could take our July field trip to the Crime Lab. and McKlem will try to set it up. (*Suhaka note: It's a go for July 26 meeting!*)
- The jail continues to have some restrictive measures but, it's no longer mandated to wear masks.
- The County is opening some things up, planning some events. The ACSO sponsored their annual Shred-a-thon on 5/15 and had their annual Fallen Officers Memorial that same day.
- The Arapahoe County Fair is being planned for 7/23-25.
- The ACSO will again have their annual Shop-with-a-Cop event for underprivileged kids.
- In Oct., the ACSO will hold their Citizens' Academy in person.
- National Night Out is 8/3
- Open House, 8/14
- Suhaka: Is DNA testing done at lab? McKlem: Yes, it used to take up to 6 months to get it done from CBI, now we get it back in a month.
- Cummins: Who funds the lab? McKlem: All 3 entities share funding based on percentage of crime load.
- The ACSO is planning to hold 1 big event in 3 sections of the City: west, east, & the City building.

B. [Arapahoe Park & Rec. District](#), Delos Searle

- Things starting to open up. Trails Rec. Center is encouraging mask use; it's not required.
- Programs are beginning: swim lessons & lap swim. Reservations are needed for most fitness classes, smaller numbers are required.

- Go to [Trailsrecreationcenter.com](https://www.trailsrecreationcenter.com).
- We met with Centennial and Village Park will hold a 20th Anniversary event, 6/10 for Dist. 4.
- There are some construction projects: Lookout Pool construction got pushed back from last year. Because of swim team & lessons that construction will happen in the fall.
- We have gotten some grants ArapCo Open Space for Willow Trace & Spring Creek Parks.
- We're behind in native mowing as the grass is growing like crazy.

C. [Arapahoe Library District](#), Talia Abdullah

- June activities, June programs will still be outdoors.
 - Our Summer Reading Program begins 6/1; it goes from birth to 18. We're giving one free book for every child who comes into the library. The Kickoff will be the Uncle Devin Show on 6/1, (for ages 5-12), 1 pm, virtually. The Book Barn will sell his books, more info & [register here](#). The free books are appropriate for the age level.
 - On 6/9, 6-7:15pm: we'll have our next Living Room Conversations. The topic will be Social Identity, to share diverse perspectives (For ages 17-adults). More info & [Register here](#). Zoom
 - On 6/19 at 4pm, we'll have our annual Parenting Strategies program: Is my child on track? A person from Developmental Pathways will present. It's for parents & caregivers of children ages 5+. More info & register [here](#). Zoom
 - On 6/24 at 7pm, meet author Seanan McGuire, the author of several books of urban fantasy (as herself) and science fiction thrillers (as Mira Grant). All ages are encouraged (teens & adults). Her books will be sold by Book Barn. More info and register [here](#). Zoom
- Some ALD Changes
 - Meeting rooms will be available starting in June, I don't have exact date. They'll be at 50% capacity (study rooms & conference rooms).
 - We are encouraging encouraging masks.
 - Southglenn will be discontinuing park & pickup service in June. All other libraries are still offering it. Koebel's Park & Pickup will be 11am – 2pm.
 - Library hours: Most libraries are open Monday-Thursday, 10am-7pm, Friday-Sun, 10am-5pm; Castlewood Library hours are 12-5pm Sunday-Saturday. Hours for all libraries are listed [here](#).
- Cummins: What are the new library hours? Abdullah: Please, check the website for info.
- Middleton: Could I pick up free book for my grandkids? Abdullah: if a child can't come in, yes, an adult can pick one up.

D. [Ting](#), Mark Gotto, Ting City Manager: Absent

E. [City of Centennial](#), Council member Mike Sutherland, District 3

- Centennial is finally out of its teen years; this is our 20th anniversary year.
- In June, City Council may be resuming hybrid meetings at Eagle St. The Council members are meeting with staff to talk about housing issues in Centennial and the eviction moratorium that will be lifted at the end of June. In July or Aug., we'll have a Study Session on the issue.
- The American Rescue Plan Act: on 5/10 the Treasury Dept. issued the regulations for the money from ARPA. The document will be attached to the CenCON email.

- There are 2 new traffic signals coming on line: Gibraltar & Buckley and Nobles & Colo.
- The Arapahoe Rd. Bridge, east of University: almost all easements are finalized and construction should start by late summer.
- In odd-numbered years there are elections for City Council, one in each District and the Mayor.
- Put website for street sweeping
- On 5/13, we held a ribbon cutting for the Lone Tree Creek Trail project from Cherry Creek State Park to the E470 Trail. Eventually, there will be a culvert under Arapahoe Rd. that will allow trail walkers to go under the road.
- For the 20th Anniversary: each District will have a special :
 - Dist. 4: at Village Park on 6/10, 6-8pm
 - Dist. 3: at Centennial Center Park on 7/29, 6-8pm
 - Dist. 2: at Heritage Village Park on 7/13, 6-8pm
 - Dist. 1: at Clarkson Park on 6/15, 6-8 pm
 - [Community events](#)
- A Citizen Survey was sent out in 2 batches, please, respond if you've received it. If you didn't receive a survey, the City 7 will open it to all on 7/7 will open it to all. The report will be in Aug.
- City Park events (see flyer attached to the Minutes email):
 - Brew N Cue, 7/10, Centennial Center Park, 3-7pm
 - Centennial Under the Stars, 8/14, ditto, 6-10pm
 - City Wide celebration, 9/18, ditto, 10am-4pm, Car Show
 - Whiskey Warmer, 10/23, 3-7pm; ditto, Noon-4pm
 - Holiday Artisan Festival, 11-4, ditto, 11am-4pm
- The Smoky Hill Transportation Corridor Study is underway.
- The City is studying its EV infrastructure: we've hired 5 interns to locate places where EV charging stations would be most effective. Biniak: Is there a standard for charging? Sutherland: There's a universal plug, similar to the ones at the Civic building. & Eagle St. This will lead to guidance in the Land Development Code for developers
- Cummins: How often are the city's stations used? Sutherland: I think fairly frequently, there's no real data
- Centennial Center Park received a Best of the Best Parks Award from Colorado Community Media.

4. **Travel Scams**, [18th Judicial District's](#) Fraud Unit, Attorney Jamie Sorrells (His internet went down; he'll be scheduled for June.)

5. **[Community Grant Program](#)**

- The PowerPoint is attached to the Minutes email.
- Ryan Thompson, Centennial Neighborhood Services Manager
- We've researched a lot of different cities on their services to neighborhoods.
- [The Neighborhood Engagement Grant](#), \$500. Application are being accepted starting 6/1.
- [Large Community Improvement Grant](#): up to \$10K. The deadline is 7/1 for applying.
- No neighborhood matches are required. They're approved by a staff committee/grant review team.

- Cummins: How long is the application? Ryan: It's not too long, just some basic info about your neighborhood and what you'd like to do.
- Cummins: First come, first served? RT: We'll see what happens.
- Lambert: Do we estimate costs and then submit the receipts? RT: Yes, you might go higher than the estimate.

6. **Plans**, Rhonda Livingston, Vice President

- **SITE 21-00011 – 6999 Jordan Rd – Comments due by May 28**

Johnson Storage & Moving wishes to construct a new storage facility on the western portion of their existing +/-14-acre parcel locate on S Jordan Rd. The new facility will be roughly 50' high and will be constructed utilizing a pre-manufactured metal building. The intent of the development is to maximize the existing parking site for indoor storage as opposed to its current use as outdoor storage. The new facility will have dock high access facing west and will maintain a paved loop road for full access around the new structure.

- **SITE 21-00008 – 8271 S Quebec St – Comments due by June 7**

Denver Biscuit Company - The building is the former Steak-n-Shake restaurant and the address is 8271 S Quebec St in Centennial. This Site Plan Amendment application is for the proposed remodel of the existing restaurant building, more specifically as follows:

- For the most part, the building form will remain and the changes will be to the exterior colors and wall graphics.
- Propose to eliminate parking spaces along the north side of the building in order to add an outdoor dining patio and a walk-in cooler structure on the southwest corner of the building.
- A new trash enclosure is proposed at the west side of the building in the parking area.
- New glass overhead doors would replace the existing storefront on the north façade to open the dining room to the outdoor patio.
- The existing stormwater detention area on the northeast corner of the building will be vacated.
- New signage for the building is proposed but, this will be a separate submittal.

- **REZONE 21-0001 - 6 vacant lots on Arapahoe Rd - Comments due by June 9**

- The property is approximately 8.7 acres consisting of 6 tracts and currently within the General Commercial zoning district (CG). The property is bounded to the north by Arapahoe Rd, to the east by Blackhawk St, and to the south by Briarwood Ave. The Property is currently vacant and unimproved but is generally located near a range of commercial, institutional, and residential uses.
- The majority of the adjacent properties are subject to different classifications. The properties to the north, across Arapahoe Rd, are zoned Neighborhood Conservation-18 and consist of single-family detached homes; to the east are zoned Business Park-100 and utilized as the Centennial Hospital; to the southeast is zoned Education, Institutional, & Recreation and utilized as a school; to the south are zoned Business Park-100 and Industrial and include a tire shop, boat & RV outdoor storage, and a distribution warehouse. Only the properties to the west are within the CG district These properties consist of a variety of automobile-oriented uses, a warehouse, bank, and drive-thru restaurant.

- The applicant has been unable to develop the property consistent with the CG zoning district's development standards. A significant number of the uses otherwise available in the CG district are not allowed within 300' of a residential area—and the properties immediately to the north are residential. The property is the only CG-zoned property in the immediate vicinity that faces this limitation.
- Additionally, the property is subject to the City's moratorium on auto dealerships and restrictions on gas stations, convenience stores, and drive-through facilities, leaving few viable development options under the current zoning.
- Although the applicant has no immediate plans to develop the property, the property's CG zoning has proven to be an impediment and has rendered development less attractive. Accordingly, the applicant seeks a rezoning to the BP-75 district to permit a larger variety of uses on the property.

- **Arapahoe County Plans Review**

- **ARAPCO REFERRAL - AA21-011 Broncos Pipeline AA to USR - Comments due by May 31**

- Please use the link below to review and provide comment regarding a proposed Administrative Amendment to a Use by Special Review application in unincorporated ArapCo. The applicant is proposing an amendment to allow for the construction of a 200' freshwater pipeline within an established easement.
- Site Location: gis.arapahoe.gov/devmap?PD=MykwM
- ACA
Link: citizenaccess.arapahoe.gov/citizenaccess/urlrouting.ashx?type=1000&Module=Planning&capID1=21CAP&capID2=00000&capID3=001S1&agencycode=Arapahoe

- **ARAPCO REFERRAL - ASP21-006 & PF21-002 Dove Valley Logistic Center - Comments due by June 4**

- Please use the link below to review and provide comment regarding an Administrative Site Plan & Final Plat application for a proposed Logistic Center in unincorporated ArapCo.
- Site Location: gis.arapahoe.gov/devmap?PD=Sc8r2
- ASP ACA
Link: citizenaccess.arapahoe.gov/citizenaccess/urlrouting.ashx?type=1000&Module=Planning&capID1=21CAP&capID2=00000&capID3=001X1&agencycode=Arapahoe

7. Adjourn: President Cummins adjourned the meeting at 8:30pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary Suhaka.

Please inform Andrea Suhaka at 303-770-0058 or standy@ecentral.com of changes in your CenCON Representative or Association President/Chair.

Next meeting – June 28, 2021