

# Centennial Council of Neighborhoods – October 22, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Cathy Noon at 6:53 pm and adjourned at 9:02 pm with 16 members present.

## **Arapahoe County Sheriff Captain Mark Fisher**

- Metro DUI task force will be active on Sat., Oct.27 crash related DUIs which occur principally on Halloween & St. Patrick's Day.
- Ops Plan (Operational) for Halloween will put additional staff on duty to respond to anticipated calls for service.
- Halloween Safety brochures were distributed and information was also put out on the Citizen Advisory.
- World Series Ops Plan will kick off to include Centennial Airport which anticipates an increase in activity as the Rockies play Boston. The department is working with TSA and NTSB to prevent any incidents.
- Crime Prevention Tip: Lock doors and windows. A series of residential burglaries occur during late night and early morning. The common factor in all burglaries was unlocked doors and windows. Meth Heads are suspected and leads are being pursued.
- Website is being improved.
- www.arapahoesheriff.org

## **Arapahoe Library District Eloise May, Executive Director**

- Children's Book Week, November 12-18, with audio reviews on the website.
   Other Programs: Early Literacy, Every child Ready to Read @ Your Library;
   Make Your Own Greeting Cards; Learn to build a Model Ship; U.S. Energy Policy; Travel Cheap; Ways to Fund College; Flu Shots at Koelbel Library, Nov. 10; Culture Grams a database of global information on 200 countries available online; computer classes. Reservations at 303-LIBRARY or online.
- The October 18, 9:00 am, sign up for meeting space didn't crash the system but 2-3% of people had trouble all trying to get in at the same time. There was a phone-in backup system in place and most everyone was satisfied.
- www.arapahoelibraries.org

#### **Arapahoe Park & Rec District Rebecca Nash**

 Grants received: \$200K from GOCO for continued construction of Spring Creek Park. \$250,000 from Arapahoe County Open Space for second phase development of Piney Creek Hollow Park. \$112,500 from Arapahoe County Open space (plus some Park district matching funds) for work on the Piney Creek Trail along Orchard Road between Buckley & Tower, including a bridge, concrete trail, & equestrian trail crossings along Piney Creek.

- Trails Rec Center: Continuing the 20 punch pass special [5 passes free].
   Renewal of passes will have incentives.
- Trails Rec Center will participate in the Trick or Treat for Health at Centennial Medical Center.
- Art & Pottery sale Trails Rec Center, Buckley & Orchard, Dec. 1 9:00-4:00 and Dec. 2 10:00-2:00.
- Park District is working with Centennial & the County on the construction of trail along Piney Creek and Orchard.
- Spring Creek should be sodded in the spring with 5 athletic fields available by next fall.
- Piney Creek Hollow playground is finished. It is a big community park with a large playground. There is discussion about bringing that park into the City of Centennial by annexation.
- An Eagle Scout project by Taylor Brock has been completed at Spring Creek Park.
- www.arpd.org

### Fire Districts Dan Qualman, Chief, Parker Fire District

- October is Fire Prevention month Practice Your Home Escape
- Littleton: Station 14 was closed for a short time due to a roof leak and is back in service. The Honor Guard from this District has been selected to present the colors at 3 games of World Series in Denver. A new fire rig is in service.
- Parker & South Metro: Parker is in process of re-accreditation, assessors should be on site in January. It will not affect insurance rates for homeowners. Parker & South Metro are considering consolidation of functional areas. A survey is underway and a consultant will scrutinize the results and bring a recommendation forward. The Estancia fire station on Arapahoe Road is in the court system to determine the valuation as a result of using eminent domain.
- www.cfpd.org www.littletongov.org www.parkerfire.org www.southmetro.org

#### South Suburban Rec. District Jean Flynn

- Improvements at Goodson Rec Center: large lobby, internet café, big screen TV, space for art exhibits. Seeking people to exhibit their art which is juried by a committee. An additional \$185,000 in improvements have been completed such as an updated gymnastics area, pool locker rooms, new gym floor, upgrades to roof etc Activities have been added.
- Holiday pass schedule available from Thanksgiving, Nov. 22 to December 31.
   Incentives (10%) on passes available.
- Pottery Guild sale on Monday, & Tuesday, Nov. 12-13, from 8am to 7 pm at Goodson Rec Center.
- Great Skate month at both ice arenas with free ice skating lessons at public sessions on Nov. 3, 10, 17 at 2:30 pm at Family Sports Center and Nov. 17, 1:30 at South Suburban Ice Arena. Instruction from an experienced coach.
- Budget was approved at last meeting.
- To display materials in South Suburban facilities contact Jean Flynn.
- www.sspr.org

**Candidates for office in Centennial present**: Linda Gawlick, City Clerk; C.J. Whelan, Treasurer; Keith Gardner, Ward II Council.

#### City of Centennial Sherry Patton, Director of Communications

- Final draft of Open Space was available for the Council last week. Jim Levy, CenCON, was a big help.
- Continuing work on a long term contract with the Sheriff for services. It should be done by the end of the month.
- Dave Zellenock, new Public Works Director, will put together a new plan to provide services in the city. The county public works department will provide services until June 30.
- New website will have interactive opportunities to file complaints. A full time webmaster will handle all information.
- A new communication specialist, Allison Whitern has been hired. She comes from RTD and the T-REX project.
- Close to having a snow and ice plan and should be published by the end of November. Need phone numbers and email addresses to distribute information. The plan will include contact information for urgent distribution.
- www.centennialcolorado.com

#### City of Centennial Survey Results Sherry Patton, Director of Communications

- The Visioning project started in August has now moved to the committee which now has ideas of what the city should look like in 2030. Recommendations will be available next spring. Citizen requests run from government structure to weed control.
- A research consultant, David Hill, surveyed 400 respondents across the city.
   71% think the city is headed in the right direction, tax burden is about right, 86% proud to be a resident of Centennial, ability to be heard was positive, city services reflected responses about economic development, & quality of life issues included high and mid-tier priorities.

#### **CenCON Business Cathy Noon, President**

First Arapahoe County town meeting was held on Oct. 18, Booths from each department were exhibited. Additional town meetings: Oct. 25, at Powell Middle School, and Nov. 7 at Centre Point Plaza in Aurora from 7 – 9:00 pm.

**Rhonda Livingston, President Pro Tem:** Ozone Stakeholders Committee: Clements Community Center in Lakewood.

Centennial Citizen endorsed Home Rule. Distributed a draft brochure about CenCON for comment.

# Fall Workshop – "Planning 101"

The fall workshop is scheduled for November 7 and will include a light dinner. Planned with city staff, invitations to the Planning & Zoning Commission, city council members & the mayor who will be asked to discuss their place in the development process.

Workshop to include; Development Review: What to look for, referral sheet, what is the process, feedback to community following comment period, use examples of what has been built – both a good example and a bad example. Also on the agenda: Public

hearing process, neighborhood involvement, ex parte communication, how city determines referral agencies, CenCON process, vested property rights, easements, right of way (terms), website will be previewed re: land use portion. The neighborhood resource guide has been put together, pre-submittal meetings, inter-agency coordination. Manager of economic development will interface with residents, & neighborhood maps will be available for review. New Planning and development offices will be toured. Neighborhoods impact with Homeowner involvement and how to do a campaign should be included. RSVP to Cathy Noon.

# Membership Ron Podboy, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Streets of Southglenn – in 60 days ground will be broken on the SE corner of Arapahoe & Race for 4 structures as part of phase 1 to be open by fall of 2008 with remainder open in 2009. The developer is \$7M deeper in debt due to various problems – legal issues with Sears & Macys. Green efforts on the project will be huge. The use of 'gray water' will be incorporated in the project. Module on University will be open to review plans during office hours. Streets of Southglenn will be here next month with an update.

#### **Minutes Gerry Cummins, Secretary**

It was moved by Don Doerr, seconded by CJ Whelan to approve the minutes of the September meeting. Motion carried.

#### Treasurer's Reports Don Strickland, Treasurer

Checking Previous Balance:	\$ 1104.37	Savings Previous Balance:	\$ 2951.97
Income:	180.00	Income (Interest):	1.12
Expenses:	150.00		
Closing Balance:	\$ 1134.37	Closing Balance:	\$ 2953.09

# Plans Jim Levy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Caley Center ReZone – Greenwood Plaza & East Caley: A single tower apartment high rise between 3 – 23 stories is proposed with subterranean garage on a 10-acre parcel. Rather than using minimum/maximum heights they will use a floor to area ratio (FAR) as a guideline. Developer will appear next month.

Southglenn Replat: Wells Fargo parcel was not part of original parcel in Streets of Southglenn development & wants to be included.

Open Space recommendations will be discussed in January.

Next Meeting: November 26, 2007