



CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

12855 E. Adam Aircraft Circle

September 22, 2014

www.cencon.net

Agenda

- I. Call to Order: President Gerry Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:52 pm.
- Attendance: Regular members (17 members constitutes a quorum): A quorum was **not** present.

Cherry Knolls	FoxRidge	Fox Hill #4
Hanover Place (2)	Heritage Place	Hunters Hill Condos
The Knolls	Nob Hill/Ridgeview Hills S	Palos Verdes
Ridgeview Hills North	Smoky Hill	Walnut Hills
Willow Creek 1	Willow Creek 2	
 - Guests: Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, Arapahoe Library Dist., City of Centennial (Mayor Noon, Sheri Chadwick), Cunningham Fire, South Suburban Parks & Rec. Dist. (Teresa Cope, Dave Lorenz), Yes on 4C, 2 visitors
 - We urge neighborhood newsletter editors to put the highlighted items into neighborhood newsletters/communications.**
- II. Guest Comments
- A. Arapahoe County Sheriff, Capt. Chris George
- www.arapahoesherriff.org
 - On 9/21, in the 8000 block of E Williams Cir, 2 were breaking into cars and got caught as they were leaving.
 - On 9/21, in the Nordstrom bldg. on Peakview, a suspicious envelope was delivered (A white powder came out when it was opened.) ACSO responded. The building was evacuated, but first tests proved it to be non-toxic. The FBI helped ID the substance as safe.
 - on 9/17, in the 7000 block of S Tuscon Wy, a load of confidential docs were found in a dumpster. It's illegal to dispose of them that way. ACSO responded.
 - On 9/16, at the Trails Rec Ctr, a patron reported a robbery. ACSO respnded. It turned out that it was marijuana that was stolen
 - On 9/16, in the 6900 block of S Franklin St., a vehicle vs. house was reported. An intoxicated 17 year old fought the ACSO and resisted arrest. He was taken in for several actions.
 - On 9/13, in the 1900(?) block of S Cook Dr, a young man threatened his girlfriend with a gun. ACSO responded.
 - On 9/13, in the 1600(?) block of S. Jackson, a woman witness a man robbing cars & called ACSO.
 - On 9/7, at the Smash Burger at 15795 E Arapahoe Rd was robbed. ACSO responded. They have leads but no arrest, yet.
 - On 9/5, (I didn't get the location), a man cleaning a gun discharged it. Luckily it was bird shot and it didn't go through the apartment wall. ACSO responded.
 - On 9/5, in the 1500 block of S Monaco Wy, a burglar entered a unit with the resident in another room. She called ACSO.
 - On 9/3, in the 9300 block of E County Line Rd, there was a robbery at the store and the burglar whipped the man behind the counter. ACSO responded.
 - On 8/30, in the 1500 block of S Jebel Wy, a 16 year ool was threatening his father with a butcher knife. ACSO responded and talked the teen out of it.

- George reminded us about Drug Take Back Day on 27 Sept.
 - George warned of a scam. Supposedly the IRS is calling asking a person to wire money for back taxes.
 - Doerr: I keep getting calls from people trying to sell things, I'm on Do Not Call list. What can I do? George: You have to check out the Attorney General's website for information.
 - Cummins: Grayson Robinson has been hired by Denver Sheriff on a one year contract to help them get traigten out.
- B. Arapahoe Library District, Daisy Grice, Manager of Community Libraries
- www.arapahoelibraries.org/
 - The new Sheridan Lib had its grand opening/ribbon cutting on 9/13. The community was invited to take part in special activities;, about 1,500 attended. Their meeting room honored a long-time Friends volunteer: the Thersa Dando Meeting Room.
 - Libraries Rock: Let's Celebrate, was a successful ALD-sponsored concert on 9/20 as part of Outside the Lines: a Celebration of Modern Libraries. It was held in Centennial Center Park with Centennial as a co-sponsor. Outside the Lines was celebrated nationally during the week of 9/14-20.
 - Author event: Meet Garth Stein, who will share his newest book, *A Sudden Light*, with the community on Thurs, Oct 9, 5:30-7:30 pm at the Sheraton Hotel, 7007 S. Clinton St., Greenwood Village. Stein will sign copies of his books from 5:30-6:30 pm, and will give a book talk from 6:30-7:30 pm. Tattered Cover will be selling Stein's books at the event, as well.
 - Oct. Author Open Houses:
 - On Sat, Oct 4, 2 pm, there will be an Adult Author Open House at Southglenn Lib.
 - On Sat, Oct 11, 2 pm, there will be a Teen Author Open House at Smoky Hill Lib.
 - On Sat, Oct 11, 10 am, Smoky Hill Lib. will host an event where book experts share fall & winter holiday books, from the newest titles to favorite classics.
 - Oct will also feature an all ages writing contest at all ALD libraries. Writers can pick up an entry form at all ALD branch libraries, or print off an entry form from our website.
 - Geek Out: A Fan Contest for Teens: Teens (ages 11-17) are invited to express their ultimate "fandom" by entering the Geek Out contest.
 - Pick up an entry form from any Arapahoe library and submit their fan creation by 10/31.
 - Teens are encouraged to use library resources to research and create. The Create Spaces at Southglenn and Smoky Hill are available.
 - Castlewood Lib. is going solar, and inside lighting will be all LED.
 - Koelbel Lib. renovations started last week and will go through spring of next year.
- C. Arapahoe Park & Rec District, DeLos Searle, Asst. District Manager
- www.aprd.org
 - Suhaka had 2 pieces emailed from Searle.
 - On Oct. 18, 10am-2pm, APRD will hold a Touch-a-Truck event at Spring Creek Park, 4001 S. Himalaya St. Everyone is invited is touch, crawl in, honk the horns of the trucks on display: big trucks, little trucks, emergency vehicles, and more. Event held rain or shine.

- On Oct, 24, 4:30-6:30 pm, at Trails Leisure Pool, ALD will hold the Haunted Hallowe'en Swim. There'll be games, prizes and light refreshments for the whole family.

D. Fire Districts: South Metro Fire, Chief Jerry Rhodes

www.cfpd.org, www.littleton.gov.org/fire, www.southmetro.org

Cunningham Fire: Very quiet year so far (not involved in any wildland fires)

- Paul Hanley has resigned from the CFPD Board and Jeff Tasker was chosen to replace him
- On 10/4, CFPD will hold their annual open house to emphasize Fire Prevention Week. It will held at Station #2, Smoky Hill & Buckley Rd., 9am-noon, and include a free pancake breakfast. There will be live and static displays.
- Sept. was Preparedness Month. An excellent resource to help a family "get prepared" is www.ready.gov. a family should have 72 hr. of supplies stored and plans made for being comfortable without electricity.
- CFPD is currently working on its 2015 budget. It's being held to the 2007 level.

Littleton Fire:

- Western Welcome Week was a huge success, great turnout.
- LFD is hiring 6 new firefighters. They'll be going to class.
- A new engine has been delivered and another one is coming in Nov. also
- The new Quick Car Program is proving extremely successful...improving response times and keeping larger apparatus available for high priority 911 calls with good fuel savings,.
- A Care Car Project (Physician Assistant Car) will launch 10/1.
- The Long-Term Strategic Plan is underway with anticipated completion date of 12/14
- The ISO evaluation should begin in Nov.

- South Metro Fire:

- Assistant Chief of Operations Bill Potts started 9/14.
- Plans to rebuild Station 31 at Orchard & Havana are underway. A community meeting was held 9/9 at Greenwood Village City Council Chambers. This station is in Greenwood Village but serves Centennial as well. Plans still have to be approved by the Greenwood Village Planning Commission and the Council.
- SM is in the process of planning the 2015 budget. Revenues came in lower than expected. We had planned for a 3% increase and only ended up with 1.29% .
- Metcom will begin dispatching for Englewood Fire, Bennett Fire & Sable Altura Fire by the end of the year.

There was a large active shooter training at Park Meadows mall yesterday, 9/21.

Schlatter: Who played the bad guys? Rhodes: We've been using ex-military & SEALS to give our boys a bigger challenge.

E. South Suburban Park & Rec District, Dave Lorenz, Exec. Director & Teresa Cope, Communications Director

www.SSPR.org

Dave Lorenz:

- spoke about capital projects in Centennial: Centennial Link Trail is just being completed (section by Georgetown Village will be the final piece); Arapaho Park irrigation was completed last year; the Walnut Hills tennis courts were rebuilt (lined for pickle ball aslo); SSPRD just bid Willow Creek Park for new

playground, trail, & other things. He thanked ArapCo Open Space & the City of Cent for funding.

- The Gold Medal Committee recommended that the district needed to consider a mill levy increase for maintenance & operations. He distributed a document titled "Budget Overview of South Suburban's Expenses & Revenues".

Jim Ryan is the co-chair for the www.yeson4c.com committee. Tax revenues have been flat for several yrs. Ballot issue 4C is for 2 mills, \$4 a month on a \$300K home. Over last 10 yrs, personnel numbers have dropped 10%.

Schlatter: The proposed assisted living center by Goodson Rec. Center, why did SSPRD Bd vote for it 4/1? Lorenz: It's still in its final planning stages, we were worried something less desirable could have come in.

Schlatter: We'd like a presentation on how neighborhoods can request something from SSPRD.

F. City of Centennial

- www.centennialcolorado.com
- Sheri Chadwick:
 - The Open Space Advisory Board is looking for applicants. Suhaka has a PDF of the application if you'd like a copy.
 - The last concert of the season will be next Sun., 9/28, free, 1pm. It's Brent Michaels of Poison, free concert, 1 pm. The Centennial Central Park Amphitheater has proven very popular in this it's first year.
 - The Holiday Tree Lighting will be held on 11/22. It will feature choirs from several Centennial schools and a visit from Santa.
 - USA Today named Cent 26th of the top 50 Best Places to Live in the US.
 - *Money Magazine* has voted us #13 on their list Best Places to Live in US (population between 50K-300K)
 - The Council has funded another Centennial 101 to begin at the end of Jan. Applications will be accepted 11/17-12/3. There will probably will be another in the fall.
 - K. Seymour: What about the people who didn't make it into the first class, will they be given priority? Chadwick: Yes, but you must reapply.
- Mayor Cathy Noon: Centennial is in the midst of its budget process. The Council just recently had it's second budget workshop.

III. Election Procedures, Matt Crane, Arapahoe County Clerk

- Crane showed an excellent slide show about elections & what will be happening this year. He strongly advised that voters register for Ballot Track; sign up on www.ArapahoeVotes.com
- Be very careful about how you mark the ballot. Make no other marks than to join the 2 halves of the arrow together in **one solid line**. Anything different is kicked out of the vote counting machine as unreadable.
- The vote center will have expanded times to be open: 11/1-4.
- Prudhomme: Is there a mechanism to prevent people from voting in 2 places? Crane: whole state is now connected by a statewide poll book.
- Schlatter: Why do unaffiliateds keep increasing? Crane: I think people who have been in parties are going unaffiliated; they're disappointed in their party.
- Bain: Where does voter fraud stand now? Crane: Very few voter fraud cases are found guilty. Mail ballots are safer. Doesn't take much to commit voter fraud.
- Prudhomme: What is the biggest loophole you see? Crane: wThe weak ID requirements. We should not be allowing a utility bill as ID.

IV. CenCON Business

A. President's report, Gery Cummins

- This meeting at Eagle Street was a first time here for a lot of members. Right now the city doesn't charge rent for non-profits to use it.

B. First Vice President/Memberhip, David Schlatter

- Schlatter will talk with the few who have historically been involved who haven't renewed. Michael Prudhomme from the Knolls was here. (He paid the CenCON dues.
- A new assoc that has inquired about CenCON was visiting tonight.
- Schlatter will visit any assoc. that has an interest in our organization
- It's very important for neighborhoods to join www.NextDoor.com.

C. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka

- We will need to approve the June min., as we didn't have a quorum. The motion was made and seconded last month and they were approved unanimously tonight.
- We again do not have a quorum to approve the Aug. minutes. A motion was made and seconded to approve them as emailed. (Doerr/Hastings) They will be approved next month.

D. Treasurer's report, Henry Blum

- There were no expenses or income so there was no change from last month. CenCON has \$3,089.85 in the Wells Fargo Bank on Smoky Hill Rd.

** Andrea Suhaka and Cathy Noon left the room after discussing the pot shot on Jordan Rd. in Aurora.

- Marijuana seems to bring down an area. Ask to see the plans and comment? (Open hours will be 8am-10pm) There will be an open house with tAurora City Councilman Roth at Valley Country Club, 6:30p, on 9/30.

V. New Business: Doerr: Will soon consider our annual gift to Library (9 mtgs this year) next month.

VI. 2nd Vice President, Plans, Ed Bain/Tammy Maurer (Comments will be a separate document along with these minutes.

- Broadstone on Havana Site Plan, 7338 S. Havana St, (SE corner of Havana & Geddes): Alliance Residential Co. is proposing to develop a 335-unit luxury rental community on 8.04 acres. The buildings are a mixture of 3 & 4-story wood frame construction with two, 2-tiered open parking structures plus surface parking spaces for a total of 510 spaces. The building footprint consists of 4 separate buildings & one clubhouse within Building #1. About 20% of the lot will be landscaped. A traffic study has been completed. (This is a density of 41 units/acre!!)
- Dream Makers Landscape Site Plan, located at E. Fremont Ave. & S. Blackhawk St.: The proposal is for a new 9,225 sq.ft. 1-story office, showroom, & warehouse building for a landscape company

VII. Adjourn: Cummins adjourned the meeting at 8:57pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea Suhaka.

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

Next Scheduled Meeting – October 27, 2014



CENCON MEETING –September 22, 2014 PLAN REVIEW SUBMITTALS AND COMMENTS

Responses and Comments from City of Centennial

1. Broadstone on Havana Site Plan

7338 S. Havana St, (SE corner of Havana & Geddes): Alliance Residential Co. is proposing to develop a 335-unit luxury rental community on 8.04 acres. The buildings are a mixture of 3 & 4-story wood frame construction with two, 2-tiered open parking structures plus surface parking spaces for a total of 510 spaces. The building footprint consists of 4 separate buildings & one clubhouse within Building #1. About 20% of the lot will be landscaped. A traffic study has been completed. (This is a density of 41 units/acre!!) •

Comments from CenCON (sent to City's Planning Dept.)

- a. CenCON concurs that Centennial needs more apartments and appreciates these would be high-end. High-end type development is great as there is the expectancy they will be well maintained.
- b. Proposed building aesthetics are pleasing
- c. This proposed residential development would be located within the airport influence area. E/W runways are within a mile. CenCON has thought that residential would not be within this area.
- d. No lighting plan was included with review, but lighting for development could impact airport. (CenCON had been told in the past that lights from other businesses do impact the airport as the lighting confuses the pilots.)
- e. CenCON does **not** see this land use as compatible with residential and was wondering if this is part of a sub-area plan that is/or will be developed.
- f. The building footprint takes up most of the land which only allows for small common areas on the outside of building. There are no play areas (This is a multi-family development.), and only one small area for dogs. The closest open space/park is Centennial Center Park; which is not near.
- g. This development does not lend itself to a walkable-type community. There are no bicycle routes to get to light rail or other activity centers. To get to the nearest grocery store, a person would need to take a bus; thus this creates a food desert. This development would be very isolated from other residents and activities. CenCON is wondering if the sub area plan would provide for future amenities in the area; such as a grocery store, dry cleaners, day care centers.
- h. CenCON is aware any type of development adds to the traffic congestion at the Arapahoe Rd/Havana intersection. It is our recommendation that the City look at having a development type in here that would generate the least amount of traffic.
- i. Access by fire trucks seems limited to interior of building as there is a garage bordering the interior of the lot. Hoses may reach from the streets, but neither a lift nor a fire truck could get access to the interior upper levels. Fire truck will be not able to gain access through garage. Fire hydrants shown on plans are at a distance from edge of curb; requiring two types of connections in an emergency. Off of lola there is a 10' retaining wall. This may be problematic for fire access.
- j. Did not see any water quality (detention/retention) facilities on the plans.



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- k. Access off of Havana Street may create problems as residents will need to make a right turn into the development from the through lane on Havana. The speed limit is 45 mph and rear-end type accidents are likely. Could the second access be off of Geddes, mid-block? Or consider having the new development include a right turn lane off of Havana?
- l. Even though the building set-back are per zoning requirements for a 10' sidewalk, there will be icing on the sidewalks and streets from shadows. City should consider looking at this requirement.

2. Dream Makers Landscape Site Plan,

Located at E. Fremont Ave. & S. Blackhawk St.: The proposal is for a new 9,225 sq.ft. 1-story office, showroom, & warehouse building for a landscape company

- a. This is a good location for this type of business
- b. On the plans it shows water quality to be drained to a regional detention pond. Why don't they have to build and maintain their own?
- c. Could the exterior architecture be enhanced? The design does not include a 360° look.
- d. When this business receives deliveries from large trucks (semis), where would they park while the drivers is entering the building?
- e. Will the yard have tracking pads so trucks don't track dirt onto the street?