



## CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

Arapahoe Library Services Building

12855 E Adam Aircraft Cir.

Englewood CO 80112

[www.cencon.net](http://www.cencon.net)

6:45pm

### Minutes

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

Algonquin Acres	Chapparral	Fairways @ South Suburban
Hanover Place	Mill Creek	Nob Hill/Ridgeview Hills South
Palos Verdes	Ridgeview Hills North	Village Cooperative
Walnut Hills	Willow Creek 1	
  - Guests: 18<sup>th</sup> Judicial Dist., Arapahoe Library Dist., Centennial City Council, Centennial City Staff, South Suburban Parks & Rec. District, Guest-Homestead Farm
  - **Highlighted areas below are good information for neighborhood newsletters.**
2. **CenCON Business**
  - A. President's Report, Gerry Cummins: None
  - B. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka
    - A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the minutes as emailed. (Tinkey/Seymour)
  - C. Treasurer, Jill Meakins
    - Balance Forward: \$2,749.28
    - Deposits (1 member): 40.00
    - Expenses: (130.00)
      - C.A.I. Membership
    - Interest Income: 0.00
    - **Ending Balance: \$2,659.28**
    - **35 paid members**
    - Submitted by Jill Meakins.
3. **Special District Presentations**
  - A. [18<sup>th</sup> Judicial District](#), Jamie Sorrells
    - The DA held his quarterly town hall on Thursday, Sept 29. He discussed the DA's Data Dashboard and cold cases. The data dashboard is for transparency of the DA's office and is done in conjunction the Dist. 1 DA's office.
    - The DA's Citizens' Academy is running now. Sorrells gave a brief description of it.
    - The office has had a cold case trial win: David Dwayne Anderson (41 yr old) on a murder in Cherry Hills Village.
    - **A question was asked about what kind of fraud is most frequent. Sorrells answered, probably contractor fraud. This summer, there have been more in person incidents, where a person is forced to go to their ATM to take out the money.**
    - **Texts have increased, that's the new playground.**
    - Rosser: Do you know the percentages of domestic vs international hacking?  
Sorrells: No, I don't have that info.

- B. [Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office \(ACSO\)](#), Capt. Ken McKlem: absent
- C. [South Suburban Parks & Rec. District \(SSPRD\)](#), Lindsey Robinson
- The **winter catalog** will go live online on 10/18. You can view all classes, camps, & programs. Printed catalogs will start arriving in homes by the end of Oct./early Nov.
  - **Final Public 2023 Budget Hearing**
    - The final public hearing for the 2023 budget will take place at the Sports Complex on 10/12, 7 pm.
    - Residents may submit feedback to [Dmoroney@SSPRD.org](mailto:Dmoroney@SSPRD.org).
  - **Hoofin' It Through the Hollows**: 5K & 10K Trick or Treat Trail are both happening on Sat., 29 Oct. The race includes a costume contest & beer garden and the trail includes treats & activities for children ages 10 & under. Register on line.
  - **Public Input Opportunities**
    - South Suburban is planning improvements to Abbott Park at Mineral & University. There's an online survey where neighbors can vote for their preferred playground style.
    - Little Dry Creek Park, 6389 S Clermont Ct, Centennial, 80121: Residents are invited to provide input on this Park. There is an [online survey](#) for neighbors to vote on their playground preference. There'll be an in-person open house will be held on Thurs., 10/13, 5:30-7pm.
- D. [Arapahoe Library District](#), Donna Dean, Supervisor at Smoky Hill Lib.
- **Hocus Pocus Festival at Curtis Park**
    - To celebrate the release of the movie sequel *Hocus Pocus 2* there will be a Hocus Pocus Festival sponsored by ALD on Sat., 8 Oct., 1-3 pm at Curtis Park, 2323 E. Orchard Rd., Greenwood Village.
    - The festival will feature outdoor fall fun for the family with food trucks on site, crafts, an inflatable corn maze, a bewitching cast of movie characters and more.
    - Activities are geared towards age 9 & older; however, all ages are welcome and costumes are encouraged.
    - Event parking will be available at Aspen Academy or across the street from the Curtis Center near the corner of Orchard & University.
    - Lawn chairs or blankets are suggested because of limited seating at the park.
  - **Living Room Conversation: Mental Health and Your Body**
    - Living Room Conversations are a way to connect through dialogue and guided conversations that can result in meaningful connections with others in a safe space.
    - Adults are invited to a discussion facilitated by the Colorado Cross-Disability Coalition and Living Room Conversations about mental health and the body on Thurs., 13 Oct., 5:30-7 pm, Koelbel Library.
    - Come prepared to share your thoughts on questions like: What messages around bodies have had the most influence on you? Where did they come from? How has your relationship with your body changed over time? What brought on those changes? How has your self-concept been affected by media and social media? How do you manage that?
    - Living Room Conversations are designed to help us be curious, listen to others and share differing perspectives, but are not debates. All voices are welcome and refreshments will be served.

- **Live in Concert: *A Night of Jazz at the Embassy Suites*** (event is full)
  - Hailed as one of the most original musicians of his generation, Daniel Bennett, a jazz saxophonist from New York City, will be joined by master percussionist Koko Bermejo and acclaimed bassist Kevin Hailey for an evening of modern jazz on Fri., 14 Oct., 6-8 pm at the Embassy Suites DTC, 10250 E. Costilla Ave., Centennial.
  - The *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* describes Bennett's music as a mix of "modern jazz & avant-pop" and the trio's genre-bending sound has captivated audiences throughout the world
  - This group of musicians was also recently voted as "Best New Jazz" in *Hot House*, New York's premier jazz magazine.
- **A First Look at the Documentary 'The Unimaginable Journey of Peter Ertel'**
  - Join us for an afternoon screening of the award-winning documentary *The Unimaginable Journey of Peter Ertel*, which has been called a "must see" film for anyone interested in World War II on Thurs., 27 Oct., 1-3:30 pm, Koelbel Library in the Forum Theater.
  - This film is about Peter Ertel, a young German who was forced to serve in the army despite his contempt for the Nazis and his refusal to kill the enemy.
  - The film showcases Ertel's remarkable life story as an honorable man who maintained his uncommon humanity despite being trapped in a universe of hatred, destruction and death.
  - This film combines archive footage – much of which has never been shown – with Ertel's own brave recounting of his extraordinary odyssey.
  - After the screening, a question-and-answer session with the film's director Joseph Cahn, will be conducted live for the audience via the Zoom platform. For more information, call 303-LIBRARY (303-542-7279) or visit [here](#).

E. [City of Centennial](#), District 4 Council member Don Sheehan

- **Oct. 22** - Whiskey Warmer Event, 1-5pm at Centennial Center Park
- **Oct. 22** - Trick or Treat Trail (City sponsor), 3-5pm at deKoevend Park
- **Nov. 6** , 3.5% Lodging Tax on ballot
- The last community event of the year is the Holiday Artisan Market, **Sat., Dec. 3**, 11am – 3pm at Centennial Center Park.
- **[Centennial Center Park Expansion](#)**  
 Estimated Completion: Fall 2022  
 Budget: \$4,650,000  
 Photos on city web site
- ***Chester/Mineral/Jones Dr. Traffic Signal Update***  
 Project Start Date: March 2021  
 Estimated Completion: Design – 2022, Construction – Dec. 2022  
 Budget: \$18,373 (2022 design); \$450,000 (construction)  
 Project Description: Design for a new traffic signal at the intersection of Chester St. & Mineral Cir/Jones Ave. began in March 2021. As the design progressed, the scope increased to address utility conflicts on the median located on the north leg of Chester. The Invitation for bid documents are being finalized and will be posted to advertise for construction in mid-Sept.  
 Materials identified as having long lead times have all been purchased and received by the City in an effort to reduce potential construction delays.
- ***Arapahoe Road and Clarkson Traffic Signal***  
 Project Start Date: Design – April 2022

Estimated Completion: Design – Nov. 2022

Budget: \$123,000 (design); \$500,000 (DRCOG Safer Main Streets grant)

Project Description: Installation of a new traffic signal, including pedestrian signals, lighting & striped crosswalks at Arapahoe Road/Clarkson Street.

*UPDATE:* This project was selected to receive funding by CDOT & DRCOG as part of the Safer Main Streets Initiative. The design of the new traffic signal and multi-modal improvements is underway and the contractor (SEH) has submitted the Field Inspection Review plans.

- **2022 Street & Concrete Rehabilitation Update**

Project Start Date: Mid-April 2022

Estimated Completion:

- Sept.: Crack Seal & Slurry Seal;
- Oct.: Mill & Overlay;
- Dec.: Concrete Replacement

Budget: \$9.0M

Street rehab is nearing completion with only a few remaining punch list items to finish. Information on the streets included in this year's program can be found on the City's [website](#).

Since April, the City has been working to replace damaged concrete & upgrading ADA curb ramps for streets included in the 2023 mill & overlay program. Work is complete in Districts 3 & 4, and crews are currently working in District 2. Work in District 1 is scheduled later this year. Locations for concrete replacement can also be found at on the Street Rehabilitation Program webpage referenced above. Work is scheduled to be complete in December.

The 2022 Pavement Preservation Program is underway and is anticipated to be complete in September.

The 2022 Crack Seal Program work is underway and is expected to be completed by the end of October.

- **Orchard Road Widening**

Project Start Date: Design - 2019

Estimated Completion: Design – Oct. 2022

Budget: \$29,196 (2022 Design)

A design project on Orchard Rd between Ogden Ct & the High Line Canal is underway. This project intends to install a westbound, left turn lane into Franklin St, and also install curb and gutter, sidewalk, and an underground stormsewer within the identified stretch. Xcel Energy continues to underground their overhead electric and Xcel Gas will be relocating a small pipe in Orchard Rd once they finalize their design. CenturyLink continues to work on their undergrounding design efforts for aerial fiber lines. The design is 95% complete with further utility relocation holding up the final bid package. Coordination with Greenwood Village on the bridge over High Line Canal has taken place.

- The City received delivery of 1690 tons of ice slicer out of the 1800 tons ordered for this snow and ice season.

- **2022 Concrete Catchup Program**

Project Start Date: June 27, 2022

Estimated Completion: Nov. 2022

Budget: \$620,000

Stone & Concrete continues to work east to west through the City currently east of I-25 and making good progress with minimal impacts to traffic and residents. As of

the end of Aug., 3,335 sq.yd. of concrete have been poured and are 34% of the way through the contract. Completion of the project expected in Nov.

- **Colorado Blvd. and Links Pkwy Pedestrian Crossing**

Project Start Date: Design – April 2022

Estimated Completion: Design – Aug. 2022

Budget: \$250,000 (Design & Construction) Design of a pedestrian crossing at Colorado Blvd & Links Pkwy intersection is complete.

- **Lone Tree Creek Trail Phase 1B Construction**

Project Start Date: 18 Oct. 18, 2021

Estimated Completion: Aug. 2022

Budget: \$1,704,814.43

Western States Reclamation was given their certificate of substantial completion at the beginning of Aug. at which time they continued to actively work on final restorations, ie, seeding, coconut blanketing, hydro mulch, and signs & striping. Around the middle of Aug., the City was hit with a significant storm event. Surprisingly, the trail fared well with only a couple of spots where the construction team added additional rip rap and blanket for future events. The installation of the handrails is wrapping up in early Sept. with the project being complete in mid-Sept.

- **Alton Way Sidewalk & Street Lighting**

Project Start Date: May 2021

Estimated Completion: Late 2022/Early 2023

Budget: \$835,000 (Construction, with SPIMD and Southgate Metro Dist. Funding)

Sidewalk and street lighting design is nearly complete. Easements are still being acquired. An Xcel transformer has been installed at the intersection of Yosemite and Alton Way.

4. **Housing Study Update**, Melanie Ward, Manager, Development, Foresight & Infrastructure, City of Centennial

- Scope:
  - A. Community Housing needs assessment
  - B. Refine strategies
  - C. Draft policy & LDC change
  - D. Policy & Code Consideration
- Increase housing production to keep up with job increases: 561+ units per year
  - More missing middle housing types
  - Target homeownership toward price points that Centennial workers can afford
- Some of the possible ways to help housing developers build less expensive housing:
  - Removing procedural barriers
  - Incentives; new allowances
  - Subsidize or lower fees; funding mechanisms
- Opportunities for input: online surveys; summer events, District Summer Socials, Dedicated workshops
- Livingston: How are live/work units considered? Ward: They have their own category.

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

- **Vermillion Creek Site Plan**, 7931 S Parker Rd., (former Feters Homestead Property) located on the SW corner of E. Broncos Pkwy & S. Parker Rd. The project is anticipated to include a variety of approximately 850 residential units and a small retail component near the northeast corner of the site.

The character of the exterior buildings and treatments will be upscale and aesthetically pleasing with tasteful finishes and an architecture that reflects the market while respecting the character of the area. It is our strong desire to provide a variety of single family units within the development. Although we will continue to work with our builder partner and the City on the exact mix of products; we would anticipate no less than 3 of the following to be within the product lineup.

- Live Work
  - Multifamily
  - Townhomes (single-family attached)
  - Duplexes
  - Cluster Homes
- Comments due for the site plan for the solar panels at the Civic Center on 10/7.
  - Comments due for 6502 E. Orchard Rd. to add water & sewer to 1 single family home.
  - Comments due for the concept plan for Fairview Plaza, 8230 S. Colorado Blvd., Case #CONC22-00001, 10/10
6. Adjourn: President Cummins adjourned the meeting at 8:55pm.

**Next Meeting: 28 November**