



## **Centennial Council of Neighborhoods - June 26, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 6:55 p.m. and adjourned at 8:59 p.m. with 16 members present.

### **Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office Roger Schoenwald**

- Open burning ban has been issued in unincorporated Arapahoe County and Centennial and includes a ban at state parks. Exemptions: fireplaces, wood burning stoves inside buildings, charcoal grills, & public displays of fireworks.
- When fireworks complaints are received, they will typically respond on a selective basis particularly if a citizen is willing to file a formal complaint. Sheriff's office is working on an enhanced response plan to handle complaints with increased patrols and assistance from S. Metro Fire District. Due to the drought, danger from sparks from fireworks is especially high. Public awareness is needed.
- National Night Out is August 1. Sgt. Kevin Heaton, Crime Prevention Unit, coordinates activities for this event. 720-874-3746. The Sheriff's office will visit and distribute crime prevention material and fire district representatives will also visit.
- A traffic stop resulted in the arrest of a 19-yr. old who had failed to register as a sex offender in Aurora. Two young females were in the automobile.  
[www.co.arapahoe.co.us](http://www.co.arapahoe.co.us)

### **Arapahoe Library District Eloise May**

- No report.

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



- No report.

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

- Parker Fire District will have 3 cars on patrol and will confiscate any illegal fireworks. For anyone who causes a fire started by fireworks, they will be charged with 4<sup>th</sup> degree arson.
- They are still trying to procure property for the E. Arapahoe Road station. The design will be smaller with appearance of a traditional home.
- An Academy has begun with 14 recruits from Parker and 5 from other districts with job openings available for all participants.
- Parker Fire District is seeking a mechanic to fill a vacancy at its maintenance shops.

- Internet site has been undergoing a review process and will go on line on July 10. Individuals are needed to be part of a focus group for testing the new site.
- The Department has been working on pandemic preparation and how to protect staff. This is a national effort.
- Teen driving track had ground breaking last month and construction is underway with completion due by September.

### **South Suburban Park and Recreation District Jean Flynn**

- As a result of a study of outdoor pools SSPRD has been doing some enhancements to those pools with colorful renovations and adding some slide features to all pools with completion by mid-July. Cornerstone Park at Belleview and Windemere has a free wetting-down area with a sprayground. The water from this venue is recycled.
- The district is beginning its budget process with public hearings in August and in October. Opportunities for contact via the web site at [www.sspr.org](http://www.sspr.org)

### **Arapahoe County Commissioner Bernie Zimmer**

- Commissioner Zimmer announced he is running for re-election and has completed the petition process to access the ballot.
- The County Fair will be held at Quincy and E-470, July 21-26, at the new fairgrounds and celebrates the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Arapahoe County Fair.
- The Commissioners and Centennial have begun working on a Joint Planning Agreement (JOA) and a Storm Water Authority Agreement with completion anticipated by the end of the year.
- Commented on the inability of commissioners to ban the sale and use of fireworks due to state statute.
- There was discussion about the proposed expansion of C-470 with either toll lanes or additional lanes. Douglas County has taken an oppose position. Commissioners hope that studies would continue through January. Centennial has opposed the addition of toll lanes. He stated that an interchange at Colorado and C-470 will probably not be built as there was not adequate room for entrance and egress lanes.

### **Introductions**

- Angela Engel introduced herself as a candidate for HD 37 with more information at her website: [angelaengel.com](http://angelaengel.com)

### **City of Centennial Nancy Reubert**

- Stated that fireworks are banned in Centennial.
- To close a street for Block Parties on National Night Out, contact the Public Works Department at 720-874-ROAD.
- The Neighborhood Traffic Advisory Committee held two open houses last week and the materials will be posted at [www.centennialcolorado.com](http://www.centennialcolorado.com).
- The website has undergone reconstruction and is due to be unveiled at the July 17 Council Study Session. The City is seeking citizens to help with the testing. Send email to [info@centennialcolorado.com](mailto:info@centennialcolorado.com) and also to provide suggestions.

- Groundbreaking for Streets at Southglenn occurred on June 15. An amendment to the Master Plan has been submitted by the developer, Alberta Partners, to increase the maximum number of housing units to 700.
- Bike to Work day is on June 28 with breakfast stations at the Piney Creek trailhead and also at Willow Creek Park.
- City has begun work on a branding project in order to formulate a marketable image for the City. Citizen input is requested.

### **Presentation, City of Centennial, Director of Planning Wayne Reed**

- Wayne Reed, Director of Planning for Centennial outlined his views on Centennial and his position which is often the target of those opposed to a particular development or project. He viewed his role as to assist the community achieve its visions, assist the citizens and maintain the quality of life. He noted that standards were in place and he would be working with the Planning and Zoning Commission and with the staff. He would also represent the community on specific matters as assigned.
- He commented on the diversity of the housing in the community and opportunities for economic development and added that Centennial works with established institutions and needs to flex its muscle.
- Mr. Reed noted earlier comments about the JOA as it provided the opportunity for citizens and business to provide input on the development to the 2200 acres around Centennial Airport, Dove Valley and other areas to develop regulations to enhance both the County and the City. He said the County is considering a moratorium on certain types of land use developments in the above area. At the Commissioners meeting on July 11, 9:30 am, the City goes back to the County to discuss a Master Plan.
- Other Items: Sub-areas plan are being discussed for other parts of the city and what that development/redevelopment might look like for certain properties and neighborhoods. He cited the continuing work on the Arapahoe Road Corridor Study, and the re-write of the development code to better address specific needs and annexations. He has been on staff for 6 weeks.
- Mr. Reed identified 7 values he would bring to his position: communication, respect for others, innovative approaches, work with integrity, professionalism, accountable, & to represent the community.
- CenCON Comments: The 10-point letter of 2002 and the needs of the community for an effective planning process were discussed. Commissioner Zimmer suggested CenCON meet with Mr. Reed to provide the history of CenCON, which was preceded by ACCORD & founded in 1965, and explain the activities of the membership. CenCON represents 22,000 homes. A request was made for Mr. Reed to return with an outline of a future plan.
- Mr. Reed commented that neighborhood maps have come to the forefront and he indicated he would be back in 6 months with a plan for a process for neighborhoods to keep information current with the City.

### **Plans ♦ Southglenn Redevelopment Amendment David Goldberg**

- David Goldberg provided the following comments:

- 1) Alberta Partners is asking for the ability to build up to 700 units at Southglenn & has agreed with requests to meet with neighborhood and community groups to discuss the issue.
- 2) Principals in Alberta Development Partners live near the Streets of Southglenn.
- 3) He discussed the confusion that exists and noted that the referral packet did not make it to all stakeholders.
- 4) 700 units would provide flexibility while the intent is to build about 350 units and a future decision would be based on marketability.
- 5) The footprint approved by Council cannot be changed without going back through the entire process.
- 6) The Public Finance Agreement protects the City against doing a total residential development. Bonds will be paid back by sales tax revenue and property tax revenue with the first \$2M sales tax revenues going to the City. Any overage will be split between development and the City.
- 7) Initial planning was for 1000 units and have scaled back to 700 to provide a framework should Sears retail pull out of the development. If 700 units would be built, additional parking would need to be added. Currently the plan has 1 parking space/bedroom and the parking is subterranean. If any parameters are changed, the process would need to be repeated. There are no plans to build 700 units as 302 units are now planned for the development. A public hearing on the amendment has yet to be scheduled.
- Concerns were expressed regarding public input in the process for future changes. Issues addressed included: traffic [retail vs. residential], sewage treatment, water runoff, intersection development, on-site detention, height of development [100' in the center and 50' at the perimeter], absence of a major retail anchor and a possible replacement. More profit is realized from retail than from residential. Sears has over 150,000 sq. feet. A Master Development Plan (MDP) process allows for a comprehensively planned development incorporating a variety of uses while allowing flexibility to establish specific building architecture and site layout details through subsequent administrative site plan approvals.

## **CenCON Reports**

**Cathy Noon, President**

- Noted CenCON's support of the Joint Planning Agreement between Centennial and Arapahoe County. Community support for the JOA is needed by either attendance at the meeting or letters of support. [see 3<sup>rd</sup> bullet under Wayne Reed]
- Disappointment was expressed regarding the inability of the City to provide meeting space for the CenCON Roundtable meeting. Other possible locations for a meeting were discussed.

## **Minutes, Gerry Cummins**

- Vern Sybesma moved to approve the minutes of May 22, 2006. Michael Kirrane seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Treasurer, Don Strickland**

Checking	\$	Savings	
Previous Balance:	629.44	Previous Balance:	\$ 4145.44
Income:	0.00	Income (Interest):	0.00
Expenses:	0.00	Income (Dues)	95.00
Closing Balance:	\$	Closing Balance:	\$ 4145.44
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Traffic Advisory Committee: Sara Moore, CenCON Representative, stated that education of the neighborhood as to what is most effective was essential. Stop signs, speed bumps are not necessarily most effective and impact emergency vehicles.

Proposed vicious dog ordinance: Comments should be submitted to Council Members. Startup costs of this ordinance are anticipated to be \$500,000 and most likely would not be effective until 2007. Costs are being re-evaluated at this time.

**NEXT CENCON MEETING: JULY 24, 2006-South Metro Fire District Building**