

Centennial Council of Neighborhoods – November 2007

The meeting was called to order by Cathy Noon at 6:47 pm with 19 members present and adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Arapahoe County Sheriff - Captain Mark Fisher

- Access Arapahoe is being promoted on sign boards & he asked HOA's to promote it. Information available on the Sheriff's website.
- Announced that Centennial is the safest city in Colorado and the 21st safest in the nation of cities 75,000 & greater. He thanked the citizens for their cooperation in assisting law enforcement with crime prevention.
- Described the recent theft of a truck with hunting gear [ammunition, etc.].
- Juvenile mischief has occurred in several neighborhoods west of University & north of Arapahoe.
- 2007 Shopping Plan program runs from November 22 December 26. One
 person is assigned to work the shopping areas e.g. Centennial Promenade,
 University & Arapahoe, to create a presence. Crime prevention fliers have been
 distributed to businesses. A bait car will be placed in certain areas.
- Noted the outstanding fire districts in Centennial and said the department was pleased to work with them.
- County Line Road reconstruction will prompt the complete closure of that road between Colorado and University for 120 days from January 19 thru May 19. The entire project will be completed in May 2009.
- www.arapahoesheriff.org

Arapahoe Library District - Eloise May, Executive Director

- The library community room at Southglenn was taken off the table by legal staff representing all entities. The library is still moving to Southglenn and a new design is underway for meeting rooms, study rooms and computer training rooms. Budget will determine the feasibility of each.
- Holiday Food Drive begins December 1-8 for the Emergency Food Assistance Program serving 18 food banks.
- A reindeer will be at the following libraries in the district: Koelbel, Dec. 5, 10-12 noon; Castlewood, Dec. 5, reservations required, 4-6 pm; Sheridan, Dec. 10, 7-9 pm; and Smoky Hill, Dec. 10, 4-6 pm.
- Free delivery service for library materials to the homebound is available.
- There is a new vendor for audio books which are available for download. This
 vendor has a better selection.
- Southglenn Library is hosting a blood drive on December 21 from 10- 11:40 am and 1 - 3:30 pm.
- www.arapahoelibraries.org

Fire Districts - Chief John Mullin, Littleton Fire District

- 70% of calls are medical calls and the sheriff's department always responds to provide backup for fire emergencies.
- Wild land fire fighting continues in California and several units from Colorado have responded.
- Snow plan: several items have been purchased in anticipation of winter storms.
- Littleton Station 14 was out of service for a month due to construction and mold/asbestos abatement. Addresses served by this station were fed into the computers of other fire districts who covered that area during the construction of Station 14.
- During the holiday season, unattended candles are the major cause of fire.
 Spread the word.
- <u>www.cfpd.org</u> <u>www.littletongov.org/fire</u> <u>www.parkerfire.org</u> <u>www.south</u>metro.org

South Suburban Rec. District - Jean Flynn,

- All facilities are open to the public. Fees are based on residency or nonresidency of district.
- Holiday Arts & Crafts at Goodson December 1 from 9:30-4:00 pm. Free admission & 75 booths
- Recycle Christmas Trees December 26 thru mid January at the Willow Spring Service Center on Holly. Free mulch is available to all residents.
- Resolutions: Attend a free orientation to fitness machines beginning Monday January 7 January 22. Register online.
- Blood Screenings, 7-9:30 am: Jan. 15 Lone Tree; Jan. 16 Goodson; Jan. 17 Buck. \$40 fee.
- Free throw contest for boys & girls, age 8-13, Jan. 6 at Buck Rec Center. Denver Nuggets Skill Challenge, kids, 7-14, compete in dribbling, passing and shooting events to qualify to appear at the Pepsi Center.
- www.sspr.org

Arapahoe Park & Rec - Rebecca Nash (report submitted)

- The trail is under construction east of Buckley and south of Orchard & includes a bridge and two horse crossings over the creek.
- Trails Rec Center will have its Art and Pottery sale on December 1-2.
- www.arpd.org

City of Centennial - Gail Carissimi, Citizen Liaison

- The new City website is interactive.
- Patrick Anderson will be sworn in on December 3 as Ward III council member replacing Andrea Suhaka.
- Recounting of all the ballots began this week to confirm the winner for the final seat on the Charter Commission.
- City budget workshop on November 17 went well and \$400,000 would be added to reserves at the end of 2008. It includes additional funding for code

enforcement, approval of budget for the Sheriff's office, approval of a preventative maintenance program for the city's streets and funding for a new Public Works program to begin July 1, 2008, new software in the courts, planning and development and citizen complaints to allow more interactivity by the public, and possibly two community events in 2008 – to be announced.

- Centennial Youth Commission has organized a food drive for the Interfaith Food Bank assisted by the fire districts.
- Code Enforcement is planning a workshop similar to the planning workshop and is also available to attend CenCON and HOA meetings.
- Councilman Ron Weidman reported that city plans for participation in funding in the community room at Southglenn is off the table at this point. He is participating in the vote recount for the final seat on the Charter Commission.
- www.centennialcolorado.com

Plans Presentations

Caley & Greenwood Plaza Blvd. 3.2 acre residential zoning request - Steve Biagiotti

- Councilman Ron Weidman was not present for the following discussion and for the remainder of the meeting.
- The proposed Centennial Tower location is on the SW corner of Caley and Greenwood Plaza Blvd. Steve Biagiotti has been the owner of the 3.2-acre property since 1985. He has a PDP application on file asking for a residential overlay on the site. Since the city adopted the sub area plan and master plan for that area, some modifications will be made. The PDP will include mixed residential and commercial. The tower ranges from a 6-stories to 23-stories with retail on the first level. Retail includes about 12,000 sq. feet & 289 units in the 6-story building with luxury apartments. 17,000 sq. feet is the footprint for the taller building. The total acreage covers approx. 20,000 sq. ft. Rents will be at \$225/sq. foot.
- Concerns: The loss of tax dollars from commercial businesses. Over-building of residential may lead to a glut of residential units on the market. CenCON would like to see an increase in the amount of retail or office space.

Streets at Southglenn Update - David Goldberg, Alberta Development Partners

- All financing on the project has been closed and they are actively under construction and working on the infrastructure. Vertical construction will begin first of year.
- Best Buy, Staples, Dick's Sporting Goods, & Macy's Home Store (which will relocate to SE corner of Race Street and Arapahoe) will open in fall 2008. The residential portion will open in spring 2009. They are about 80% committed with tenants on retail side including several New York retail interests. 143,000 sq feet of office space is available.
- Negotiations are underway with a 20,000 sq ft. engineering firm as well as many other possibilities for potential tenants.
- There are 202 luxury apartment housing units planned which is less than the original plan. Jr. anchor and retail will be located on the lower level.

- Access to the property will remain roughly the same. The reconfiguration of the intersection of Arapahoe & University will include drainage improvements. RTD requirements are difficult to meet unless private funding pays for any improvements.
- The sales center is being used for a development and marketing office and is open to the public.

CenCON Business

Cathy Noon, President: Bylaws have been updated and are available on the CenCON website. Planning 101 Workshop notebook was passed around. She is on the email list for County Line Road and will disburse that information.

- <u>Planning 101 Workshop:</u> Evaluation comments were very positive. The session had a significant amount of content and there was some interest in working on plans for CenCON. Funds for a workshop with CenCON have been budgeted by the city for next year. Wayne Reed has asked to come in January to present a draft Neighborhood Guide. As a result of the workshop, Cathy has been contacted by Casey Henderson of the City planning staff to do a traffic presentation.
- Charter Commission will meet on Thursday evening and a schedule has been announced. March 3 is the deadline for submitting the charter to council and the election will be on June 10.

Rhonda Livingston, President Pro Tem: Announced: Dec. 5 - public hearing on draft Metro Vision 2030 Plans; Dec. 6 - Parker Road Corridor Study meeting; Holiday Boutique on November 29-30, 10-4:00, at Centennial Medical Plaza.

Ron Podboy, 1st Vice President: Pursuing a few other potential members. Currently there are 49 members.

Minutes - Gerry Cummins, Secretary

It was moved by Don Doerr and seconded by Evan Williams to approve the minutes of the October meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Reports - Don Strickland, Treasurer

Checking Previous Balance:	\$ 1119.37	Savings Previous Balance:	\$ 2953.09
Income:	0.00	Income (Interest):	0.00
Bank Correction:	15.00		
Closing Balance:	\$ 1104.37	Closing Balance:	\$ 2953.09

- Moved by Ron Podboy and seconded by Ron Phelps to give a \$750 gift to the Arapahoe Library District in appreciation for the use of their facilities by CenCON. Motion carried.
- Thom Reed, Tammy Maurer, and Karen Hamilton are on the 2030 Visioning Committee. They gave a brief update.

Next Meeting: January 28, 2008