



CENTENNIAL COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS
In Person Meeting
Arapahoe Library Services bldg.
1285 E Adam Aircraft Circle, Englewood, 80112
August 23, 2021

Minutes

1. Call to order: President Gerry Cummins called the meeting to order at 6:45pm.
 - Attendance (A quorum was present.), Members:

Chapparral	FoxRidge	Cherry Knolls
Hanover Place (2)	Heritage Greens	Heritage Place (4)
Homestead Farm 2	Knolls Townhouse	Nob Hill/Ridgeview Hills South
Orchard Valley	Palos Verdes	Smoky Hill
Southglenn	Walnut Hills	
 - Guests: 18th Judicial District (2); Arapahoe Library Dist., Centennial City Council member Dist. 3 Rik Holt, Centennial staff (2), Ting (2), Rhonda & Gary Livingston, Village Cooperative
 - **Highlighted areas below are good information for neighborhood newsletters.**
2. **CenCON Business**
 - A. President's Report, Gerry Cummins
 - Cummins reported that CenCON sent comments to the City on the Streets at SouthGlenn redevelopment plan. She passed a copy of the letter around.
 - B. Secretary, Andrea Suhaka
 - We have two sets of minutes to approve because there was not a quorum at the June meeting so, we couldn't approve the May minutes.
 - A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the May minutes.
 - A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the June minutes.
 - C. Treasurer, Jill Meakins: Absent
 - Cummins reported that there was no activity in the account this past month. CenCON has \$3,597.97 in the bank. Suhaka added that the bill for the Dickey's dinner for the field trip was \$353.92. Cummins said the amount she spent was about \$75. We had 37 members and others in attendance.
3. **Regular Guest Presentations**
 - A. [18th Judicial District](#), Vicki Klingensmith
 - The „Hammer Killer“ was found guilty.
 - The DA took part in Operation Restore, to apprehend violent offenders. Police/deputies arrested 12 & 12 sex offenders.
 - **A District Attorney's Citizens Academy is coming up. The information was included with the call to meeting for this meeting. An application form is included with these minutes.**
 - B. [South Metro Fire Rescue](#), Kerri Erickson: none
 - C. [Arapahoe Park & Recreation District](#), DeLos Searle: none

D. [Arapahoe Library District](#), Holly Whelan

• **Find Bargains on Books and Media at our Used Book Sale**

- The Used Book Sale starts on Thurs., 9 Sept., and continues through Sun., 12 Sept, at the Streets at SouthGlenn, 6851 S. Gaylord St., Ste. 236 – next to the main fountain across from H&M.
- Thurs.-Sat., the sale will be open from 10am-7pm and on Sun., 11am-5pm.
- At the sale, you'll find thousands of gently-loved books, CDs, DVDs, audio-books, & collectible books, including classics & more. Sunday is bag day – we provide the bag and you fill it for only \$8.
- Through book sales, the Friends of Arapahoe Libraries raise funds to support library events and services. For more information, call 303-LIBRARY (303-542-7279) or visit arapahoelibraries.org/book-sale.

• **For Your Convenience: Holds Lockers at the Libraries**

- Arapahoe Libraries now offers outdoor hold lockers to pick up books, movies, & other held items. Hold lockers never close and are available for hold pickups 24/7.
- When placing a hold, you have the option to select a locker as your pickup location. Choosing a locker allows you to pick up items that are ready any time that is convenient for you.
- After you receive a notification or check your account to see that your item(s) is ready, you can scan your library card at the locker location and enter your PIN, then your assigned locker door will automatically open to reveal your items, which are already checked out to you.
- Arapahoe Libraries is committed to providing accessible options to materials and services. We hope you will enjoy this convenient option for retrieving library materials.
- For more information, visit our [website](#).

• **Parenting Strategies: Coping with Change**

- Summer is over, school is back in session, and it's transition time again. Is your child having trouble coping with change or have they just hit the terrible twos?
- Connect directly with an early childhood behavior expert on Tues., 21 Sept., 4 pm.
- Jen Kniffin-Turner, a mental health consultant & therapist in private practice, will share advice on how to deal with typical (and not-so-typical) behaviors including temper tantrums and defiance. She can also address developmental concerns, sensory behaviors, and trauma processing. You will have an opportunity to submit questions in advance.
- For parents & caregivers of children ages 0-8. Free Zoom event. To register, visit [here](#).

• **Radicalization and Extremism Today**

- We recently have witnessed unprecedented threats to our national security and an uptick in targeted violence across the country.
- On Thurs., 23 Sept., 6:30-7:30pm, listen to or join in an engaging discussion that will address the current violent extremist threat, who is vulnerable to radicalization and why, and ways to recognize and help prevent extremist recruitment tactics.

- The presentation, led by a Counterterrorism Education Learning Lab (CELL) educator, features testimony from a former al-Qaeda propagandist and a renowned national security expert.
- For adults. Free Zoom event. To register, visit [here](#).

E. [Ting](#) Update on Micro-Trench Construction, Mark Gotto

- Gotto had a PowerPoint to tell us about a pilot process that Ting is using to install their fiber. It's faster & cleaner than the previous process. It's being used in 2 neighborhoods and they're adding 1 more: Parkborough, Piney Creek Ranches, and Homestead in the Willows

F. [City of Centennial](#), Council Members District 4 Marlo Alston & District 3 Rik Holt

- Marlo Alston did not attend.
- The City is in the 2nd phase of public engagement for the City's Master Transportation Plan. That will be discussed later
- The City is also beginning the Smoky Hill Corridor Study.
- On 9/18, the City will have its formal 20th Anniversary Celebration at the Streets at SouthGlenn: music, classic cars, chalk art, food trucks, and more.
- Neighborhood Grants: Neighborhoods have jumped on this possibility. There is still money available. Go [here](#) for info.
- The Big Dry Creek Bridge (just east of University on Arapahoe Rd.) replacement: will do roadway, drainage, bridge replacement, and trail replacement. It should start soon.
- Amazon Fresh and Denver Biscuit Co. are moving into the NW corner of Quebec & County Line.
- The City's Intelligent Transportation Systems will make use of some of the 432 strands of fiber that have been deployed in 3 rings (east, west, and central) in the City. We'll be hooking up every traffic signal in the City. This will help move traffic faster with less backup.
- On 10/23, the City will hold a Whiskey Warmer at Centennial Center Park.
- Spaulding: What's happening with the Colorado Blvd. study? Holt said it wasn't ready, yet, for publication.

4. **Code Enforcement**, Tamra Gregory, Code Compliance Manager

- Gregory described some of the code problems the City is dealing with: ROW obstructions include greenery that grows out over the sidewalk or street, stockpiling (junk or even cars that obviously can't go) in yards.
- A new ordinance was passed that garbage cans must be screened from the street.
- Weeds over 8" tall are a violation.
- On 11/25 the City will sponsor its annual Chip & Mulch event at the Willows Springs Open Space and at Eagle Street.
- You can report a problem on the City's website home page or call 303-325-8000.

5. **Centennial Master Transportation Plan**, Art Negretti, Engineering Manager & Cade Dawson, consultant for FHU Engineering

- Negretti gave us an excellent overview of what's happening with the update to Centennial's Master Transportation. It should be finalized in early 2022.
- It will have near-term & long-term trajectories for projects.
- The Goals are: Safety, flexible mobility, innovation, fiscal responsibility, efficiency & reliability, regionalism & partnerships, economic & community vitality
- Phase 1- Completed in spring 2021, needs & opportunities
- Phase 2- trade-offs, ends Sept. 20. Go [here](#) to take part.

- Pase 3, Validation (fall, 2021)
 - How residents responded to the various surveys/engagement reports are online.
 - Online options to give input: survey on trade-off, consider funding (How would you spend \$100?).
 - Dawson led us through some of the online exercises – fun!
 - Spaulding: Is this taking Covid into consideration? Dawson: We're looking at all possibilities, we don't have a magic 8-ball.
6. **Plans**, Rhonda Livingston, Vice President
- A. Trails at Green Acres Site Plan, East of S. Chambers Rd. & south of S. Hannibal St; Owner is proposing 190 single family attached townhomes on 25.26 acres. Planning & Zoning Commission public hearing, August 25, 6 pm in Council Chambers.
- B. **Community Meeting (Virtual)**
- Site Plan for a 33,000 s.f. pharmaceutical facility, 7482 S Tucson Way. Go [here](#) to submit comments. Comments are due no later than August 30.
 - Spaulding: Don't let staff have more authority to make changes in development plans.
7. Adjourn: President Cummins adjourned the meeting at 9pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary Suhaka.

Next Meeting: October 25, 2021 Special event!

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