



City Manager's

UPDATE

MONTHLY REPORT TO THE FORT COLLINS CITY COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY

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ISSUES BEFORE COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 15 COUNCIL MEETING

- **Items Relating to Proposed Outdoor Vendor Requirements**
 - Amend the City Code and Land Use Code to update property owner and outdoor vendor requirements. These Ordinances were postponed on Second Reading (7/5) to allow staff to conduct outreach to P&Z, DBA, and DDA regarding stationary pads and a food truck mall and report back to Council at the November 15 meeting.
- **Adoption of the 2017-2018 Budget and Annual Appropriation Ordinance (2nd Reading)**
 - Consideration of the annual appropriation ordinance and setting the City budget for a two-year period (2017-2018) which becomes the City's financial plan for the next two fiscal years.
- **2017 Utility Rate Ordinances (2nd Reading)**
 - Adjust the monthly charges for utility services in 2017 to cover operating costs and necessary capital improvements to existing infrastructure.
- **Fall Competitive Process**
 - Approve funding recommendations for affordable housing from the 2016 fall cycle of the Competitive Process and to appropriate federal dollars.
- **GID No. 1 - 2017 Annual Appropriation Ordinance (2nd Reading)**
 - Appropriate the 2017 Budget for the General Improvement District #1
- **Skyview GID - 2017 Annual Appropriation Ordinance**
 - Appropriate the 2017 Budget for the General Improvement District #15- Skyview.
- **URA Board - 2017 Annual Appropriation**
 - Appropriate the 2017 Budget for the Urban Renewal Authority

NOVEMBER 22 WORK SESSION - CANCELED

NOVEMBER 28 JOINT COUNCIL MEETING WITH ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

- **City Council and the ASCSU members will discuss items of mutual interest.**
 - Location: Lory Student Center (ASCSU Office complex), Colorado State University
 - Time: 5:00-7:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 29 ADJOURNED MEETING

- **Annual Evaluations of the City Manager, City Attorney and Municipal Judge**
 - Mayor and Council will review evaluations of their direct reports.

DECEMBER 6 COUNCIL MEETING

- **Pay Plan Update (consent)**
 - Recommend changes to the City's Classified Employee Pay Plan based on results of the annual market analysis.
- **Salary Ordinances for City Manager, City Attorney and Municipal Judge**
 - Consideration of ordinances amending the compensation for the City Manager, City Attorney and Municipal Judge

SALES AND USE TAX COLLECTION

MONTHLY & YEAR TO DATE

SEPTEMBER SUMMARY OVER PRIOR YEAR

	Month	Year to Date
Sales Tax Collected:	4.4%	4.7%
Use Tax Collected Excluding Rebates:	52.3%	-3.2%
Sales and Use Tax Collected Excluding Rebates:	11.4%	3.0%

Year to date, sales and use tax collections excluding rebates are up 3.0% and total \$103.6 million.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

CITYWIDE PEDESTRIAN ACCESS PROJECT

Funding Source: KFCG/BOB Funds
Estimated Project Budget: \$450,000
Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- This project provides a complete City sidewalk inventory, identifies sidewalk inadequacies, and identifies inadequate handicap accessibilities according to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements.
- 37,741 accessible ramps have been identified as acceptable, substandard, or missing in accordance with the ADA requirements.

Project Updates:

- Upcoming project locations: Staff has completed the Pedestrian Improvement Program for 2016. The program constructed 10,513'+ of new sidewalk and 96 accessible ramp improvements. Staff is finalizing the 2017 Pedestrian Improvement Program. Communication efforts are beginning with property owners regarding missing segments and PSD regarding access to schools.
- Current projects: Staff is continuing to manage projects for FCMoves and the Downtown General Improvement District. Staff is continuing to collaborate with CSU staff regarding final layout for the NRRC connection between Centre Avenue and MAX Spring Creek Station. CSU is reviewing legal implications with the lease with the GSA regarding a pedestrian easement for NRRC.

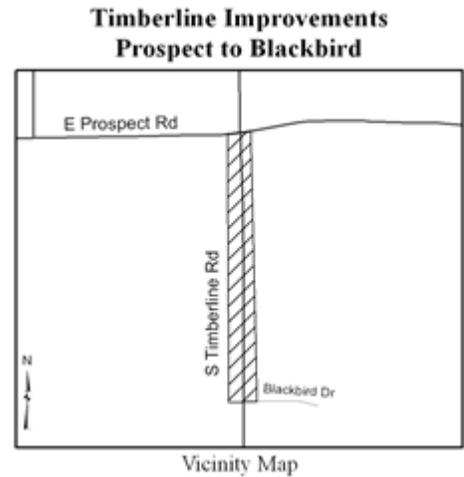
More information is available at <http://www.fcgov.com/engineering/pedneeds.php>

TIMBERLINE IMPROVEMENTS – PROSPECT TO BLACKBIRD

Funding Source: Building on Basics (BOB)
Estimated Project Budget: \$5.0m
Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- The goals of this project are to improve air quality, reduce vehicle wait time and reduce the accident rate by constructing a free-right turn and acceleration lane from eastbound Prospect to southbound Timberline; as identified in our Arterial Intersection Prioritization Study.
- The 2005 ballot language stated this project will expand Timberline Road to four (4) lane arterial standards including:
 - Travel lanes, sidewalks, bike lanes and landscaped medians.
 - Improvements to the Prospect and Timberline intersection and all its approaches to add additional turn lanes.
- The project will add a sidewalk connection for southbound Timberline from Prospect to Blackbird.
- The project is likely a Two Phase project (Phase One – Roadway work 2016, Phase Two – Great Western Maintenance and Signal Improvements).
- Construction is expected to begin in the spring of 2016.



Project Updates:

- Mountain Constructors installed intersection porkchop islands, toplift asphalt pavement at the intersection, and the pedestrian bridge over Spring Creek.
- As November moves forward, traffic congestion will continue as road construction continues on southbound Timberline Road south of Prospect.
- November work will include sanitary sewer upgrades for the CSU stadium on northbound Timberline Road.
- There will be a point where the project needs to be winterized and fully reopened for the winter. Spring 2017 work will focus on landscaping and some toplift asphalt paving.

More information is available at <http://www.fcgov.com/engineering/prospect-timberline.php>

DOWNTOWN RIVER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENTS

Funding Source: Federal Grants/Local Funds/DDA Funds
Estimated Project Budget: \$1.4M
Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- The City has completed two design projects within the Downtown River District: 1. Developing an implementation plan for improvements along Jefferson Street between College Avenue and the Mountain /Lincoln intersection based on the available budget, and 2. Developing a conceptual design for improvements along Willow Street between North College Avenue and Linden Street.



Project Updates:

- Staff continues coordination with various agencies in an effort to better understand existing utilities, planned utility improvements, and other services provided within the Jefferson Street Improvements project's vicinity.
- Upcoming months will see continued utility coordination, public engagement, environmental investigations, and refined plan development.

NORTH COLLEGE PEDESTRIAN GAP

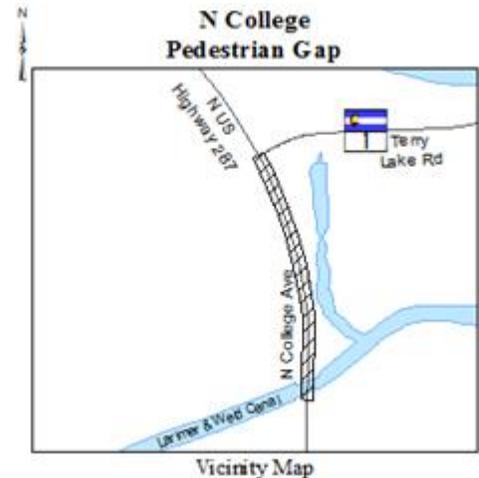
Funding Source: CMAQ Grant/URA Contribution/Pedestrian Program Funds

Estimated Project Budget: \$900,000

Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- The primary goal of this project is to complete a gap in pedestrian infrastructure from Highway 1 to the south side of the Larimer & Weld Canal.
- This project will construct a pedestrian connection crossing the Larimer & Weld Canal extending north to SH 1 (Terry Lake Rd). The project impacts a federal highway, and is located outside the City limits but within the Growth Management Area.



Project Updates:

- Staff has developed conceptual level pedestrian connection alternatives. Based on conceptual level cost estimates, existing funding will not be sufficient to construct improvements on both sides of the road.
- Larimer County and City staff have applied for additional federal grant funding. The additional funding would enable multimodal improvements on both sides of the road. Successful applicants will be notified by the end of 2016, with funding available as early as mid-2017.
- Staff has initiated the preliminary engineering design and environmental investigation phases. The preliminary engineering phase will design multi-modal improvements on both sides of the road so as to be best prepared in the event additional funds are awarded to the project.
- [Staff is meeting regularly with Larimer County and the Colorado Department of Transportation in order to determine feasibility and potential funding for the construction of full roadway improvements within the project limits.](#)
- [At this time, discussions do not include reconstruction of the existing roadway bridge.](#)

LINCOLN CORRIDOR PROJECT – 1ST STREET TO LEMAY AVENUE

Funding Source: General Fund Reserves, Street Oversizing Fund, previously committed developer local street obligations, savings from Woodward interim improvements

Estimated Project Budget: \$6.5m

Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- This phase of the overall Lincoln corridor plan includes improvements along Lincoln Avenue between 1st Street and Lemay Avenue.
- Subsequent phases include improvements to the Poudre River Bridge and improvements along Lincoln Avenue to Jefferson Street.
- Project intent is to create a multi-modal design along Lincoln Avenue that will include creating a street with a unique identity, improving the mobility, safety, and experience for bicyclists, pedestrians, transit users, and vehicles, and creating an environment where local businesses can thrive.

Project Updates:

- Placement of concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk, driveways, and pavement construction along south side of Lincoln ongoing, as well as electrical and irrigation lines.

COLLEGE AND PROSPECT INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

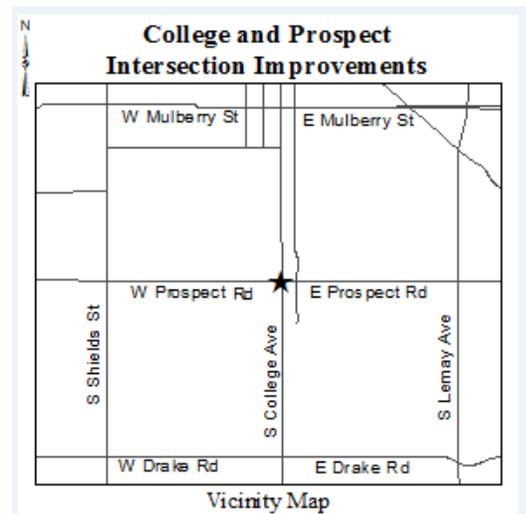
Funding Source: Mid-Budget Approval of 2016 Capital Projects Fund

Estimated Project Budget: \$2.7 M

Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- The Colorado State University (CSU) Medical Center project at the northwest corner of this intersection, presented an opportunity for the City to address other existing deficiencies which were identified in the *2011 Arterial Intersection Prioritization Study*.
- The goals of the project are to address safety, operational, and congestion issues primarily focused on Prospect Road by:
 - Adding turn lane capacity to existing turn lanes
 - Constructing new turn lanes and medians on Prospect Road
 - Improving bicycle and pedestrian facilities
- The City and Colorado State will work collaboratively on the intersection improvements, with each entity funding their own design and construction obligations.



Project Updates:

- ROW process moving forward for commercial properties. Staff is working with residential owners on design options and ROW. Council approved design option 2 on First Reading at the October 18 meeting and during the Second Reading on 11/1/16 to move forward with residential ROW acquisition.
- Project is at 65% design. Construction is planned to start February 2017, and staff is working on communication and outreach plan.

- Staff is coordinating design and construction with CSU Medical Center schedule. CSU design will be complete this fall and begin construction in February 2017.

More information available at: <http://www.fcgov.com/engineering/college-prospect.php>

VINE AND LEMAY BNSF IMPROVEMENTS

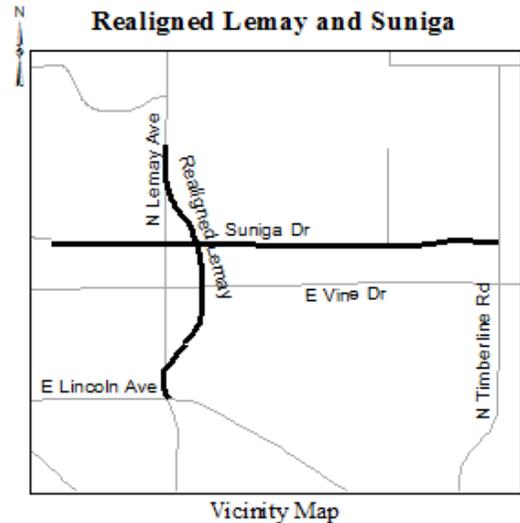
Funding Source: Keep Fort Collins Great (KFCG)

Estimated Project Budget: \$1.0 M

Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- The existing Vine and Lemay intersection, which includes the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway crossing, is severely congested with limited options to expand through or turn lane capacity due to land use constraints.
- Lemay Avenue realignment and intersection improvements have been prioritized as the City's #1 Transportation Capital Improvement Project
 - The realignment has been on the City's Master Street Plan since the mid-1980's
 - The project area is included within the City's Mountain Vista Subarea Plan which was created as a long-term planning vision for the northeast section of Fort Collins
 - The improvements will construct a new roadway and intersection slightly northeast of the existing Vine and Lemay intersection. The new intersection will be realigned Lemay and Suniga Road.
- The City is investigating a number of interim and ultimate solutions that include new at-grade intersections or overpass/underpass of the BNSF Railway and existing Vine Drive



Project Updates:

- Staff is currently working on right-of-way acquisitions for realigned Lemay Avenue and Suniga Road.
- Staff presented a project status update at the August 23 Council Work Session, and is following up on Council comments related to an at-grade crossing and future traffic projections.
- [Staff will host a Neighborhood Meeting for Alta Vista residents on November 16, 2016 from 5:30-7:00 pm at the City Streets Facility.](#)

More information is available at <http://www.fcgov.com/engineering/vine-lemay.php>

LINCOLN CORRIDOR PROJECT – POUFRE RIVER BRIDGE TO 1ST STREET

Funding Source: BOB 2.0

Estimated Project Budget: \$5.4m

Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- This phase of the overall Lincoln corridor plan includes replacement of the Poudre River bridge and road between the bridge and 1st Street.
- Project intent is to add to the ongoing Lincoln Corridor project creating a street with a unique identity, improving the mobility, safety, and experience for bicyclists, pedestrians, transit users, and vehicles, to include an enhanced bridge that will meet the intent of the overall project.

Project Updates:

- 90% submittal received; bid packages to bridge subcontractors have been sent out.
- Construction start projected for December 2016.

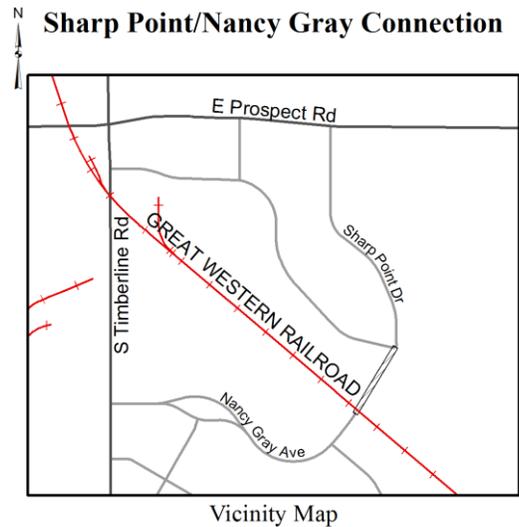
SHARP POINT/NANCY GRAY CONNECTION

Funding Source: Street Oversizing
Estimated Project Budget: \$1 M
Status: On Schedule

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Estimated Project Budget: \$1 M
Status: On Schedule for Late 2017 Construction

Project Details:

- The City Master Street Plan identifies Sharp Point Drive and Nancy Gray Avenue connected across the Great Western Railroad tracks.
- City Staff has identified the connection as a priority due to recent developments to the south.
- City Staff is in the process of preparing an application for a new at-grade crossing of the Great Western tracks to the Public Utilities Commission (PUC). Once approved by the PUC, Staff will continue coordination with Great Western in order to facilitate design, crossing agreements and construction.
- Construction dates are tentative as timeline depends on PUC approval and railroad coordination.



Project Updates:

- Staff is currently working with Great Western to finalize the PUC application.
- Staff is working on the utility and roadway design to have it shovel ready, pending Great Western's schedule.

COLORADO STATE PROJECT COORDINATION

Funding Source: Colorado State
Estimated Project Budget: None
Status: On Schedule

Project Details:

- Prospect and Center bicycle and pedestrian underpass, along with Center Avenue improvements between Bay Farm and Lake
- Elizabeth and Shields bicycle and pedestrian underpass, and at-grade intersection improvements
- Laurel / Washington and Laurel / Sherwood pedestrian enhancements
- Whitcomb sidewalk improvements (east side) Prospect to Lake
- Whitcomb sanitary sewer line (stadium flow)
- College and Lake (northbound left turn lane improvements)
- Lake and Center intersection improvements
- Lake Street bicycle and pedestrian improvements
- Game Day Operations Plan

Project Updates:

- Prospect and Center underpass – to be completed mid-November 2016
- Elizabeth and Shields underpass
 - Right-of-way negotiations ongoing by CSURF
 - Design/Build team hired
 - Public Open House was on September 14, 2016
 - [The voluntary SPAR process will culminate with a November 10, 2016 Planning and Zoning Board hearing.](#)
- Laurel Street pedestrian improvements – Washington completed August 2016; Sherwood to be completed September 2016
- Whitcomb sidewalk improvements – completed August 2016, landscaping installation this fall
- Lake and Center intersection – requires further study of vehicle, bike, and pedestrian counts with the opening of Aggie Village North and the Center underpass
 - Intersection improvements to be completed in summer 2017
- Lake Street bike and pedestrian improvements
 - Substantially complete – street overlay and restriping scheduled for summer 2017
- Game Day Operations Plan – further refinement this fall

More information available at <http://source.colostate.edu/construction-and-parking/>

ELIZABETH AND SHIELDS UNDERPASS

Funding Source: Colorado State University

Estimated Project Budget: \$10.0 M

Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- The City and Colorado State University (CSU) have been working in partnership for years to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety amid continued and projected population growth along the West Elizabeth corridor. CSU is making a series of improvements as a commitment by the University to improve safety and make the campus more accessible.
- The project aligns with multiple CSU and City planning efforts, such as: West Central Area Plan (2015), CSU Parking and Transportation Master Plan (2014), City Bicycle Master Plan (2014), City Student Housing Action Plan (2013), City Arterial Intersection Prioritization Study (2012), and the City Transportation Master Plan (2011). All of these planning efforts identified the need for improvements at the Elizabeth and Shields intersection with recurring themes of: enhanced safety, separation of travel modes, and reducing the number of conflict points and crashes.
- The Elizabeth and Shields intersection has 50,000 vehicles per day, an increase of 20% in traffic volumes since 2009. Peak hour volumes (morning, midday, and afternoon) generate 170 bicyclists and 140 pedestrians per hour. More than 2,000 bicyclists per day are crossing Shields at Elizabeth, an increase of 40% since 2009. This intersection has a “higher than expected” crash rate. The grade separated crossing for bicyclists and pedestrians will reduce the number of conflict points and intersection crash rating

Project Updates:

- [Staff is working with the CSU Design/Build team on Utility Relocations and Structure selection for the underpass](#)
- [CSU has completed the right-of-way acquisition needed from the Campus West Shops](#)
- [The project will go for final public approval on November 10 at the Planning and Zoning Board hearing.](#)
- [Construction is scheduled to begin in early December 2016. The project will be completed in August 2017. The project team is currently working on construction phasing, lane drop scenarios, and a 4 week closure of Shields Street expected to occur in the spring of 2017.](#)

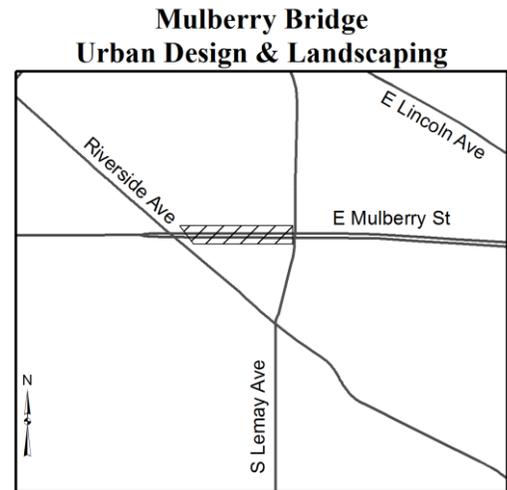
More information is available at <http://source.colostate.edu/construction-and-parking/shields-underpass-proposal/>

MULBERRY BRIDGE URBAN DESIGN AND LANDSCAPING

Funding Source: City of Fort Collins
Estimated Project Budget: \$750,000
Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- This project will complete the landscaping and urban design improvements along the section of Mulberry Street between Lemay Avenue and Riverside Avenue to a level consistent with City standards.
- Planned improvements will coordinate and be consistent with recently constructed improvements on Lemay Avenue north of Mulberry Street, along the Poudre River Trail, and developments within the project's general vicinity.



Vicinity Map

Project Updates:

- Median and shoulder landscaping work is nearing substantial completion. Remaining work includes the placement of planter pots in the medians and the construction of raised planter beds in the bridge overlook areas.
- The installation of median planter pots and shoulder planter beds will require daytime lane closures.
- The project team anticipates project substantial completion in mid-November 2016. This date is weather dependent.

More information available at: <http://www.fcgov.com/engineering/mulberryenhancement.php>

CAPITAL PROJECTS – UTILITIES

SPRING CREEK SEWER IMPROVEMENTS AT TIMBERLINE ROAD

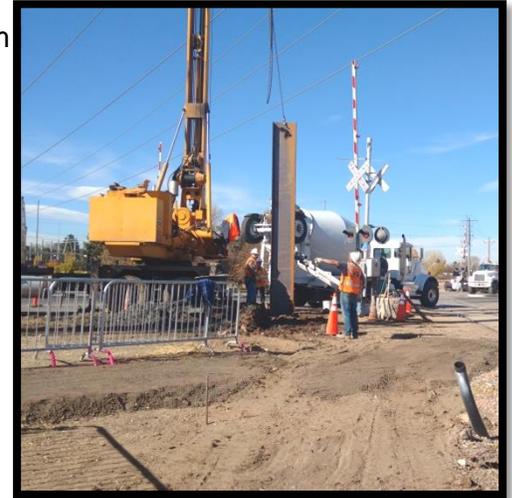
Funding Source: Wastewater, But Will be refunded per CSU Stadium
Estimated Project Budget: \$665,500
Status: On Schedule

Project Details:

- Design completed
- Cost estimate reconciliation completed
- Shoring construction in progress

Upcoming Work:

- Installation of Sewer by-pass system
- Construction will begin in mid-November



Installation of soldier pile
for shoring system

WATER TREATMENT FACILITY CHLORINE CONTACT BASIN

Funding Source: Water
Estimated Project Budget: \$9,243,000
Status: On Schedule

Project Details:

- Installed 72" and 54" pipes up to existing connection points
- Preparing for Plant shutdown 11-2-16
- Submittals complete

Upcoming Work:

- Replace existing 36" into west reservoir in February 2017



Preparing 36" DIP for cap
install and Plant shutdown

MICHIGAN DITCH TUNNEL

Funding Source: Water
Estimated Project Budget: \$8,308,000
Status: On Budget, Complete

Project Details:

- All Hobas pipe installed in the tunnel
- On October 27th the Ditch was put back into service
- City forces doing final preparation for winter on the Ditch
- Project has been de-mobilized
- Project is complete

Upcoming Work:

- Final pay applications
- Project close-out
- Lessons learned meeting



Laying 60" Hobas pipe
out of the tunnel

EAST HARMONY DUCT BANK – TIMBERLINE TO ZIEGLER – PHASE 1

Funding Source: Development Fees
Estimated Project Budget: \$4,000,000
Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- Three Phase Project
- Phase One: Install new vaults adjacent to Harmony Substation
- Phase Two: 1.1 miles of duct bank installation from Timberline Substation to Ziegler
- Phase Three: 1.1 Miles of duct bank from Ziegler to Strauss Cabin
- Design, route identification, and project coordination
- Permits and easements
- Locates, pot holing, excavation and construction
- Duct bank, vault, conduit, and cable installation

Project Updates:

- Design, route identification is 50% complete
- Construction anticipated to resume March 2017
- Designing for possible lane closure



Vault Installation

COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY CIRCUITS AND DUCT BANK PROJECT

Funding Source: Development Fees
Estimated Project Budget: \$2,804,340
Status: On Budget, On Schedule

Project Details:

- 2.2 miles of duct bank *and two new circuits*
- Design, easements, and project coordination
- Locates and pot holing, excavation, and construction
- Duct bank, vault and conduit installation, and cable pulling
- Electric termination and energizing

Project Updates:

- Construction is 60% complete
- Boring is complete
- Four of seven vaults are installed
- Cherry Street duct bank from College to Howes is awaiting Permits
- Howes/Laurel duct bank is complete
- Contractor is taking soil samples for Vine Drive duct bank from Linden Substation for the railroad permit



Vault Installation

CARPENTER ROAD DUCT BANK PROJECT

Funding Source:
Estimated Project Budget: \$2,000,000
Status: Delayed until 2017

Project Details:

- 2.6 miles of duct bank
- Boring
- Complete Excavation
- Potholing and locates

Project Updates:

- No change this month
- Work continues around easements and or temporary construction easements.
- Completing due diligence in order to ask for an alignment from Natural Areas
- This project will be delayed until 2017 pending the alignment



Easement Required with Natural Areas

PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE

POLICE SERVICES

Burglary Suspect Arrested After Standoff

On October 9, Fort Collins 9-1-1 received a call about a man actively burglarizing a business in the 1600 block of Laporte Ave. Officers responded and observed the man, later identified as Richard Rader, still inside the building. Rader attempted to leave the scene but was contacted by officers, at which time he retreated back into the business and refused to come out. After approximately 2.5 hours, officers were able to take Rader safely into custody. Rader was arrested for Second Degree Burglary, Third Degree Burglary, Possession of Burglary Tools, and Violation of Bail Bond Conditions (related to a separate burglary incident in September).



Tip-A-Cop

FCPS employees put on aprons and bussed tables at Red Robin to benefit the Special Olympics. The annual Tip-A-Cop event helps raise funds to support athletes in our community. The agency raised \$3,200 in one evening, which will provide assistance to Special Olympians here in Northern Colorado.

Drug Takeback Day

On October 22, Fort Collins residents stopped by FCPS to drop off expired and unwanted medications for safe disposal. FCPS hosts this event in the spring and fall every year to divert drugs from landfills and keep them out of the hands of unintended people and pets. This event saw 186 vehicles. Safe medication disposal is also available at the FCPS lobby counter during daily business hours.



Safe Teen Drivers Honored

School Resource Officers joined local non-profit, Alexa's Hugs, to celebrate the outstanding teen drivers at Rocky Mountain High School. Alexa's Hugs conducted seatbelt counts at high schools around Fort Collins, and Rocky students had the highest percentage of seatbelt wearers. Officers, school officials, and Alexa's Hugs members served up more than 1,500 root beer floats to honor students for their safety efforts.

Crime Prevention Update

This month, the Crime Prevention Specialist had 26 telephone calls including more people wanting to set up Neighborhood Watches in many different Neighborhoods. Presentations ranged from the semi-annual Drug Take Back Event to Dealing with Bullies (for Parents). Here's the breakdown on activities in October:

Safety Fair Home Depot South, 80 attended

Senior Pedestrian Safety, 8 attended
RESTORE, 34 attended
Neighborhood Watch Dry Creek, 8 attended
Neighborhood Watch Maple Hill, 6 attended
Senior Safety Oakridge, 55 attended
Drug Take Back, 186 vehicles
Dealing With Bullies, Timberline Church, 75 attended
Neighborhood Watch Mapleton, 23 attended
Nelson Farm Neighborhood Watch, 30 attended

POUDRE FIRE AUTHORITY

Oct. 28 – The cause of a northeast Fort Collins oil spill was determined to be a failed pipe valve on a tank battery that was used to store the crude oil.

Multiple agencies responded to the oil spill in northeast Fort Collins. Emergency responders determined there was no immediate threat to public health at that time. Emergency agencies were notified Oct. 28 of the spill that started Oct. 27 at a crude oil processing facility, 1229 E. County Road 54 (Douglas Road) owned by Prospect Energy.

The spill was stopped Thursday when the failed pipe was replaced. In total, there was, as of Oct. 28, an estimated 150 barrels of oil on the ground. A water quality engineer with the City of Fort Collins stressed Oct. 28 that people should know the drinking water was totally safe at that point. Experts also believed the potential was very remote that the spill could impact surrounding wildlife or other water sources in the area. As of 1:30 p.m. Oct. 28, experts confirmed most of the oil was concentrated on the surface of the ground and emphasized that the public know that the oil was contained to the spill site.

Crews on scene monitored possible impacts of the spill, including air quality. There were no indications at 12:30 p.m. of a need for evacuation of nearby neighborhoods.

Responding agencies included PFA, Fort Collins Office of Emergency Management, Larimer County Office of Emergency Management, Larimer County Department of Health and Environment, the Environmental Protection Agency, and City of Fort Collins Environmental and Regulatory Affairs.

Those from Fort Collins Office of Emergency Management and PFA's Community Safety & Services have stayed in contact with Prospect Energy and other agencies since the incident.

New Engine 4 open house – In total, we estimate about 200 people turned out, during the Oct. 27, two-hour event at Station 4, to learn more about the engine that features “green” technology and recycled components that ultimately saved taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars, compared to the price of a new



engine. Attendees went out of their way to say how thankful they were for the opportunity to come and interact with the firefighters and learn more about how their taxpayer dollars are being spent. We had a number of people hear the price tags, cringe slightly but ultimately say, "You all are worth it. This is something you need." It also served as a great opportunity to continue sharing the story of the World Trade Center beam and the future permanent memorial, behind Station 3, that's in the planning phase.

PFA Awarded the 2016 ICMA Certificate of Excellence in Performance Management

The International City/County Management Association (ICMA) awarded PFA the 2016 ICMA Certificate of Excellence in Performance Management. Certificates are based on established criteria and are awarded at three levels — Achievement, Distinction and Excellence (the highest level). PFA has received the award for five consecutive years. This year, PFA was one of only 34 local governments in the country that received this level recognition, with the City of Fort Collins also receiving an Excellence Certificate as part of a separate application.

As stated in ICMA's press release about the award: "This recognition helps to validate PFA's commitment to collecting, using, and sharing performance data. As with other similar efforts, such as accreditation, PFA is driven more by the continuous process improvement rather than the award. The certificates are awarded based on a "stringent review of criteria including data collection and verification, training and support, public reporting, accountability and process improvement, networking, and leadership (ICMA, 2016)." At the excellence award level, applicants must demonstrate that they use performance data in strategic planning and operational decision-making, share their knowledge through networking, report key outcomes in addition to inputs and outputs, survey residents, and foster the development of a performance culture throughout their organizations."

More information can be found at: <http://bit.ly/pfaexcellencerecognition>

Office of Emergency Management

On Sept. 24 the Fort Collins Office of Emergency Management (OEM), in conjunction with Larimer OEM, Loveland OEM and American Red Cross leadership, facilitated and participated in the 4th Annual Family Safety and Emergency Preparedness Expo at the Ranch. More than 35 agencies from Northern Colorado participated. Participation was estimated at over 750 citizens; the hope is to increase this to over 1,000 next September.

One other exciting project is the Regional Resiliency Assessment Program (RRAP). This is a pilot program that the Department of Homeland Security Infrastructure Protection Division, Colorado Office of Climate Adaptation/Resiliency, National Institute of Science and Technology, Idaho National Lab and Fort Collins OEM are developing for infrastructure assessment and protection at the local level.

- Numerous meetings have taken place this year with several critical infrastructure sectors including transportation, communication, utilities, economics, government and education to evaluate their infrastructure and its impact on the local social infrastructure.
- We are now preparing for implementation of the actual assessments of the critical and social infrastructure in the Fort Collins area.
- Once completed this report will give our community a better picture of our critical infrastructure, its vulnerabilities and how it impacts the social infrastructure. Fort Collins is one of several cities in the U.S. that is participating in this project.

BUILDING AND PLANNING ACTIVITY

YEAR TO DATE COMPARISONS

	2015 YTD	2016 YTD	% Change
Development Project Submittals Rec'd	275	271	-1.45%
	311	304	-2.25%
Conceptual/Preliminary Design Reviews/Staff Reviews Performed	168	234	+39.29%
	191	256	+34.03%
Building Permits Issued	7,026	5,478	-22.03%
	7,620	6,131	-19.54%
Building Permit Valuations (\$M)	\$411.74	\$375.52	-8.80%
	\$449.67	\$440.46	-2.05%
Building Inspections Performed	25,239	23,613	-6.44%
	28,242	26,310	-6.84%
Plan Reviews Performed	1,810	1,991	+10%
	1,953	2,229	+14.13%

Overall development review revenues are ~~\$989,412~~ \$1,206,495 over projection for 2016 as of ~~September~~ October 31st with Development Review over by ~~\$822,495~~ \$914,882 and Engineering Development Review over by ~~\$166,917~~ \$291,612.

PROJECTS OF NOTE-STATUS AND UPDATES

Development/Planning

Projects of Note

Status/Updates

Downtown Plan	The Plan is in Phase 4 – Document Development. Staff will be presenting a draft plan to the public and boards and commissions in the fall.
Foothills Mall Redevelopment	Residential construction is fully underway. The first phase includes Lot 6 (Community Building and one multi-family building) on the southernmost edge of the site along Stanford and Lot 4 (five multi-family buildings and the swimming pool) located midway along Stanford. There continues to be some concern about noise; however, the contractor is adhering to all City requirements and is generally not working over the weekends, giving residents some reprieve. Work is anticipated to last for approximately 24 months for this portion of the construction. The latest complaints received are related to increased traffic and speeding along Stanford near the construction area and unruly people leaving the bars on the mall property. We will be working with Police to try to resolve these issues.
I-25/392 Interchange Corridor Activity Center (CAC) design standards	Revisions to the I25/SH 392 Interchange Corridor Activity Center design standards were adopted by City Council on September 6, and the Windsor Town Board on October 24. Amendments to the IGA will be finalized with additional

	<p>review by staff, to be considered for adoption by both jurisdictions in early 2017.</p>
Lincoln Corridor Plan – Neighborhood Project Implementation	<p>Of the ten funded neighborhood projects, six are complete and four are ongoing (neighborhood artwork, Streets Facility park enhancements, brewery wayfinding, and alley improvements). The final committee meeting November 2, with additional community events planned for 2017 with the full implementation of the neighborhood artwork and park improvements.</p>
Proposed Outdoor Feed Truck Vendor Requirements	<p>On July 5 City Council postponed a decision on proposed outdoor vendor requirements until November 15. Second Reading of the Ordinance is scheduled for November 15, 2016.</p>
Neighborhood Connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second pilot program meeting will be on November 14, from 6:00-8:00pm. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meeting will include program expectations from Josh Weinberg and Clay Frickey ○ Introduction to working with groups by Patsi Maroney ○ Dr. Martin Carcasson discussing facilitative leadership techniques • 23 residents from 20 neighborhoods throughout the community applied to serve as representatives for their neighborhood. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Since the first meeting of neighborhood representatives, staff has met with or helped facilitate initial neighborhood meetings in five of the 20 pilot neighborhoods. More meetings are scheduled for October. ○ Current level of neighborhood engagement and interest in the pilot program varies widely. Examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Residents of the Old Town West neighborhood looking to move beyond occasional block parties and exchanges on Nextdoor to establishing regularly scheduled neighborhood meetings. ▪ Neighbors in “North Fort”/North College corridor getting a head start on collaborating with the City on a sub-area plan update for the area through targeted engagement with the diverse populations currently residing in the area. ▪ Buckingham neighborhood residents looking to open new lines of communication in the neighborhood regarding safety, changing demographics, traffic, and the built environment. ▪ Representatives of Miramont Village HOA wanting to create a link between Climate Action Plan implementation strategies at a neighborhood scale. • Working with Martin Carcasson/CSU Center for Public Deliberation to develop leadership/participatory democracy curriculum – bought him out of one of his

	<p>classes so he can give us focused time and effort</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Exploring opportunities with the Kettering Foundation will be part of this ○ Researching best practices and most current ideas around neighborhood democracy ○ Exploring programs available through existing organizations and partnering ○ Will result in actual curriculum and plan
Oakridge Crossing	<p>Oakridge Crossing is a proposed mixed-use project located in the Oakridge Business Park containing 110 affordable senior multifamily units and approximately 5,100 square feet of office space. The project was approved by the Planning and Zoning board at their July hearing and final plans are currently under review by City staff.</p>
Old Town Neighborhood Plan and Design Guidelines	<p>Staff will be presenting a draft plan to the public and boards and commissions beginning in November. Anticipated adoption of the plan is expected in January 2017. Additional outreach opportunities will be available this Fall. For more information on the project please visit the project webpage at http://fcgov.com/otnp.</p>
Smoking Ordinance Expansion Options	<p>Signage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Installs are underway with the more regulatory-focused signs. ○ Requesting approval to add sidewalk signage similar to Dismount Zone <p>Education:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Code Compliance continues to provide education in the Downtown area and for special events <p>Enforcement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Focus for the first year (through December, 2016) is on education and outreach with little emphasis on writing tickets; however, some have been written. ○ Getting some complaints from businesses around the perimeter of the Downtown Smoke-Free Zone stating that people are congregating in front of their properties and throwing cigarette butts everywhere. Will be reaching out to try to mitigate some of these issues. Still working on mitigating this concern. <p>Interviewed by the Boulder County Health Department on our no-smoking and expansion efforts and talked about the process, the education/outreach, current issues, and recommendations based on lessons we have learned so far.</p>
Social Host	<p>Education and Outreach committee has been established. Work continues to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Education campaign has begun with ads in various papers and on social media. ○ Website changes have been done and the site is current. ○ Enforcement of new ordinance has begun.
West Elizabeth Enhanced	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The plan was adopted by City Council at the October

Travel Corridor Plan	18 meeting . The Adopted Plan is available online at fcgov.com/westelizabeth .
Electronic Plan Review	First Reading of the Electronic Plan Review Appropriation Ordinance was passed on July 5, 2016. It was approved at the Second Reading on July 19, 2016. Staff is working towards implementation, with an emphasis on completing the electronic building permit review process first .

PROJECTS UNDER APPEAL

Two notices of Appeal have been received on October 13, 2016 for the Brick Stone Apartments on Harmony project.

PROJECTS OF NOTE-STATUS AND UPDATES

- I-25 Improvements: Numerous local and regional efforts are underway to accelerate planned improvements to the I-25 corridor between SH-14 (Mulberry) and SH-402 (south end of Loveland):
 - The City of Fort Collins has included in the recommended 2017-2018 budget a commitment of \$2.25 million in local funds to be used as local match for I-25 improvements.
 - City Council authorized the Mayor to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Larimer County on October 4 to appropriate additional local funds (estimated Fort Collins share of \$2.25 million) for I-25 improvements for the next five years, equal to the amount of increase in local share of County mill levy funds (Road and Bridge) received by the City of Fort Collins each year.
 - Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) received an award of \$15 million in federal grant funds (Transportation Investments Generating Economic Recovery – TIGER) to be used for I-25 improvements in Northern Colorado. This award, plus prior funding commitments and local match of \$25 million, have accelerated I-25 improvements in Northern Colorado by fifteen years.
 - CDOT is currently building a southbound climbing lane on I-25 at Berthoud Hill to help alleviate congestion caused by traffic volumes and heavy truck traffic. The project is scheduled for completion in fourth quarter of 2016.
 - CDOT began reconstruction of the Crossroads Boulevard/I-25 bridge to provide improved safety and congestion relief. Anticipated completion in 2017.
 - CDOT is developing a scope of work and bid package materials for the North I-25 Improvements Project. This \$237 million project will construct a third managed lane in each direction from SH-7 (Mulberry) to SH-402 (Loveland), will replace the Poudre River and Kendall Parkway bridges, and make improvements to two other bridges. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2017 and be complete by end of 2020.
 - [City of Fort Collins has launched an I-25 related webpage providing links to projects, plans and programs http://www.fcgov.com/transportation/i25.php](#)
 - [City Staff exploring funding partnership opportunities with CDOT, other local agencies and private interests to include the Prospect/I-25 interchange in the overall North I-25 Improvements Project.](#)

SUSTAINABILITY SERVICES

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- [On November 1, the City of Fort Collins began enforcing the Fugitive Dust Ordinance, which City Council approved unanimously earlier this year. The ordinance requires reasonable](#)

prevention of excessive dust from certain man-made activities, such as construction activity or concrete cutting. Go to fcgov.com/dust for more information.

- Broadband, revenue diversification and the City's Road to 2020 – the implementation of the community's climate action goals - are topics for the next Community Issues Forum from 6-8:30 p.m. on November 17 at the Lincoln Center, 417 W. Magnolia.

SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

- The Human Rights Campaign Foundation has increased the City of Fort Collins Municipal Equality Index rating because of its work on equity and diversity within the community and the municipal organization.
- The Human Rights Campaign Foundation increased Fort Collins rating to 74 from 60 out of 100 possible points.

ECONOMIC HEALTH

- Meet Sean Carpenter, the new Climate Economy Advisor for the City organization. Sean is based in the City's Economic Health Office where he will assist the City organization with investigating additional financial resources and tools in support of the City's Road to 2020 greenhouse gas reduction goals.



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

This New Section Will Highlight A Few Previous Outreach Efforts As Well As Some Upcoming Public Engagement Opportunities.

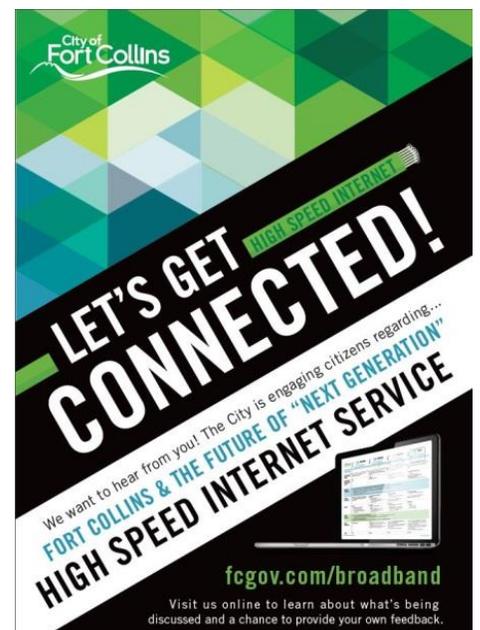
Public Outreach for Broadband was launched in October and will continue through November.

Outreach:

- Public events
- Educational materials such as a matrix for comparison and description of models
- Informational video
- Online poll to provide feedback
- Option to sign up for updates

Upcoming Events:

- November 14 - Telephone Town Hall discussion with the Mayor, City Manager and Chief Financial Officer from 6:00-7:00 p.m.
- November 29 - Open House for Spanish speakers (interpreter and headset system will be used and all materials provided in Spanish)



Project & Engagement Recap:

- Pitkin Bikeway: Neighborhood Meeting - October
- Traffic Operations: Facebook Live video offered an online, behind the scenes look at our traffic operations center – shot on Oct. 21, reached 3,732 people and has received 176 views
- Short Terms Rentals: presentation to affordable housing board on November 3
- Upcoming outreach* - November:
 - ✓ Neighborhood Connections: Second meeting November 14
 - ✓ Downtown Plan: draft Plan open houses November 14 at 6-8 p.m., Centennial High School gymnasium, and November 16, 6-8 p.m., Lincoln Center - Columbine Room
 - ✓ Vine/Lemay Neighborhood Meeting: November 16
 - ✓ Community Issues Forum: November 17 at the Lincoln Center from 6 – 8:30 p.m. topics include: Broadband, Revenue Diversification and the City's Road to 2020.
 - ✓ Super Board Meeting: November 30 at 222 LaPorte Avenue in the Colorado River Room. Dinner and networking from 5:30 to 6 p.m. topics: Broadband, Revenue Diversification, and Entertainment Districts.
 - ✓ "It's Your City Campaign": the Communications & Public Involvement Office (CPIO) has launched an awareness campaign to: promote existing channels for community members to engage with the City; grow social media audiences (special emphasis for ages 20 – 35 and Spanish speakers); increase user generated content; feature City and citizen connections; and most importantly, encourage increased citizen participation in policies and projects. Campaign tactics will include event booths, information cards, and traditional and social media.

*please note this is just a sampling of upcoming public engagement opportunities, for a full list of events, please visit: <http://www.fcgov.com/events/>