

Council End-of-Term Report April 2013-April 2015

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This report provides an update to City Council and to the community on the City Council Work Plan. This report highlights some of the major accomplishments and strategic direction this Council has provided during the last two years.

The current City Council Work Plan was developed in 2013. Initiatives from this work plan were focused in seven outcome areas and were the foundation for both the 2013-14 and 2015-16 budget cycles.



BACKGROUND

As we near the end of another City Council term, it is important to look back and acknowledge the work and impact that the sitting Council has had and will continue to have on the community now and in the future.

The City of Fort Collins continues to improve as an organization and Council is a large part of that work. It's not just how many ordinances are passed (although that list is impressive.) The more impressive work is the steering, guiding, and continued attention to making this community the best it can be.



Beyond the work plan initiatives and budget work, this Council should be recognized for driving the creation of the first City Strategic Plan. This effort and plan have been instrumental in creating greater systematic alignment throughout the organization and ultimately resulting in quality services for citizens.



To provide world-class municipal services through operational excellence and a culture of innovation

MISSION

Exceptional service for an exceptional community

VALUES

- Outstanding Service
- Innovation & Creativity
- Respect & Integrity
- Initiative & Collaboration
- Teamwork & Stewardship

HIGHLIGHTS

This report highlights just a few of the major efforts that will shape this community into the future.

Community and Neighborhood Livability

Fort Collins provides a high quality built environment and supports quality, diverse neighborhoods.

- 97% residents say this is a great place to live
- Social Sustainability Gap Analysis and Strategic Plan
- West Central Area Plan

Policies and plans in this area will truly help guide us into the future. We have had growing pains, but as policy makers and conveners we will be able to address complex issues including homelessness, panhandling, and concerns of gentrification.



Redtail Ponds

Culture and Recreation

Fort Collins provides diverse cultural and recreational amenities.

- Downtown Poudre River Plan
- Southeast Community Park
- Pro Cycle Challenge
- Lincoln Center and Senior Center Renovations

Our community agrees that the Poudre River is a priceless asset and treasure. The visioning and design work that has gone into the Downtown Poudre River Plan is exceptional. As we enter the implementation phase it is exciting to think that for years to come this Council can say they had a hand in the enhancements to our river corridor.

Economic Health

Fort Collins has a healthy, sustainable economy, reflecting community values.

- Mall redevelopment
- Woodward Project
- MidTown in Motion Plan

The City of Fort Collins in in the midst of legacy projects coming together. Not just environmental and recreational projects, but economic driving projects. The hard work, analysis, and willingness to make these projects do-able will benefit Fort Collins and our residents.



Environmental Health

Fort Collins promotes, protects and enhances a healthy and sustainable environment.

- Climate Action Plan
- Waste Reduction: Community Recycling Center
- Oil and Gas
- Urban Ag and Nature in the City
- Expansion of Smoking Ordinances

The Climate Action Plan and the Road to Zero Waste projects and goals have set our community on the path to resiliency in a way that is bold and brave. The fact that our community supports these efforts will shape and impact who and what Fort Collins is in the future.

Safe Community

Fort Collins provides a safe place to live, work, learn and play.

- Water Supply and Management
- Marijuana Regulations
- Police Body Cameras
- Poudre Fire Authority Inter Governmental Agreement



Major highlights in this arena include implementation of the Water Supply and Demand Management Program including the Rigden Reservoir project.

The update to the PFA IGA was the first in 25 years and was a very collaborative effort.

Transportation

Fort Collins provides safe and reliable multi-modal travel to, from, and throughout the City.

- Lincoln Corridor Plan
- Bike Master Plan
- MAX and extended hours and routes
- North College construction



MAX has enjoyed a very successful first year, far exceeding ridership projections. This backbone to the Transfort system has become part of the community vocabulary...Hop on the MAX!

High Performing Government

Fort Collins exemplifies an efficient, innovative, transparent, effective and collaborative city government.

- Strategic Plan
- Broadband
- New City Attorney

Council has been the driver behind the creation and implementation of the Strategic Plan. This plan, and the process to create and update it, will become a tried and true practice for City operations from here forward.

Significant Partnerships

- Powerhouse Addition
- Resiliency Task Force
- Flood and Fire Events
- Friendship City
- Airport Governance
- CSU-Stadium Negotiations
- Timnath IGA
- Martin Marietta MOU



The City's commitment to developing, maintaining, and nurturing significant partnerships helps us all to do more together than we could do alone. The reintroduction of an endangered species on public lands is a remarkable example.

