

# Community Improvement Program 2015-2016

## Citizens and City Government investing in things that matter to YOU!

In April 2015, the voters of Fort Collins approved a 10-year, 1/4-cent tax dedicated to 17 projects that will enhance and benefit our community. This capital enhancement sales tax will generate approximately \$83 million over 10 years.

### Here's a sampling of projects that will be funded:

#### Visitors Center at the Gardens on Spring Creek



**\$2M** – The envisioned Visitors Center at the Gardens contains a conservatory, meeting room, observation tower, new entryway with gift shop, a café, and office space. These additions will double the Gardens' square footage.

#### Bicycle/Pedestrian Grade-Separated Crossings Fund



**\$6M** – This project establishes an annual fund that would construct top priority grade-separated bicycle and pedestrian crossings (things like overpasses and underpasses) across arterial roadways.

#### Southeast Community Center and Outdoor Pool



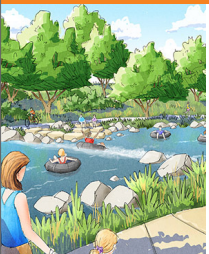
**\$14M** – The center will focus on art, innovation, technology and recreation. It will include a multi-functional performance space, wellness programs, fitness rooms, and a large outdoor leisure pool with water slides, a lazy river and open swim area.

#### Housing Affordability Fund



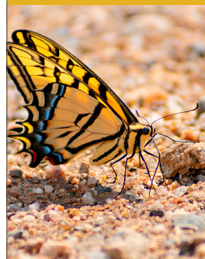
**\$4M** – This fund would provide a revenue source for the capital costs of development or rehabilitation of one or more housing projects designated specifically for low income individuals and families.

#### Downtown Poudre River Enhancements and Kayak Park



**\$4M** – River enhancements near the Power Plant building will involve modifying or removing the Coy diversion structure, creating a whitewater park with viewing/picnic areas, improving access to the river, enhancing the river's habitat and beauty, and adding a pedestrian bridge over the river east of College.

#### Implementing Nature in the City



**\$3M** – The City is transitioning to a more urban environment. It is important to protect access to nature and the open spaces that define our community. This project will focus on achieving a 10-minute walk to nature for all residents and enhancing existing sites to provide greater habitat.