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ISSUES BEFORE COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 18 COUNCIL MEETING

- **Items Relating to Montava Planned Unit Development (PUD) Master Plan (2nd Reading)**
  - Consider approval of the Montava Planned Unit Development (PUD) Master Plan, including various amendments to related plans. Generally located north of Mountain Vista Dr, west of Turnberry Rd, and east of Anheuser Busch/I-25.
    - Neighborhood Livability & Social Health - 1.7 Guide development through community planning, historic preservation, and efficient and effective development review.

- **Timberline Mixed Use Annexation Nos. 1-3 and Zoning (2nd Reading - consent)**
  - Consider annexation and zoning proceedings for the Timberline Mixed-Use Annexation Nos. 1-3, located at the northwest corner of Timberline Road and International Boulevard. Proposed zoning is Industrial (I).
    - Neighborhood Livability & Social Health - 1.7 Guide development through community planning, historic preservation, and efficient and effective development review.

- **Soldier Canyon Pump Station Annexation and Zoning (2nd Reading - consent)**
  - Consider annexation and zoning proceedings for the Soldier Canyon Pump Station Annexation, owned by Platte River Power Authority, located on west LaPorte Avenue, adjacent to the City Water Treatment Plant. Proposed zoning is Residential Foothills (R-F).
    - Neighborhood Livability & Social Health - 1.7 Guide development through community planning, historic preservation, and efficient and effective development review.

- **Staff Report: Historic Preservation Survey Update**
  - Share the current status of the historic preservation survey project, which was one of the implementation actions from the new historic preservation code adopted in 2018.
    - Neighborhood Livability & Social Health - 1.7 Guide development through community planning, historic preservation, and efficient and effective development review.

FEBRUARY 25 WORK SESSION

- **2020 Strategic Plan**
  - Discussion of the draft 2020 Strategic Plan, including all seven outcome areas and associated strategic objectives.
    - High Performing Government- 7.1 Provide world-class municipal services to residents and businesses.

- **Fort Collins Mobility and Transportation**
  - Overview of current state and future opportunities for transportation and mobility in Fort Collins and the surrounding region. Overviews of the major transportation plans will be discussed (Transportation Plan, Transit Master Plan, Pedestrian Plan and Bicycle Master Plan).
    - Discussion of highest infrastructure and operational needs, including options to expand the transit system and improvements to I-25. Seek direction on the Council priorities related to mobility and removing barriers to transit.
      - Transportation - 6.2 Manage traffic congestion and improve high-priority intersections
      - 6.3 Improve transit availability and grow ridership
      - 6.4 Support, enhance, and accelerate I-25 improvements according to the multi-modal environmental impact statement
      - 6.5 Improve aging and/or missing transportation infrastructure that serves Fort Collins

Please note that this list is subject to frequent change. Please call the City Clerk’s Office for up-to-date information. 970-416-2774.
FEBRUARY 27 URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY BOARD

- 3:00-5:00 p.m., Colorado River Community Room, 222 Laporte Ave., 1st Floor.
- Agenda information available at www.renewfortcollins.com

MARCH 3 COUNCIL MEETING

- **Update to Harmony Gateway Plan (moved from February 18)**
  - Consider adoption of an update to the Harmony Corridor Plan and corresponding Harmony Corridor Standards and Guidelines that pertain to the ‘Gateway Area’ at I-25 and Harmony Road.
    - Neighborhood Livability & Social Health - 1.5 Guide development compatible with community expectations through appropriate planning.
    - High Performing Government - 7.5 Broaden methods of public engagement to reach all segments of the community by giving additional consideration to diverse backgrounds, languages and needs.
- **Staff Report: Update on Long Trains in Fort Collins**
  - Update Council on the latest regarding long trains in Fort Collins and to notify them about a related Federal Railroad Administration effort to quantify impacts
    - Transportation- 6.1 Improve safety for all modes of travel.
- **Staff Report: Skills Based Volunteers at Natural Areas**
  - Skills Based Volunteers use their professional-level expertise to complete staff-identified projects. These volunteer consultants analyze data, develop curriculum, analyze web analytics, interview visitors, research history, and more. The cohort-based model was developed by Natural Areas and is actively being shared as a best practice around the country.
    - High Performing Government -7.4 Attract, retain, engage, develop and reward a diverse and competitive workforce to meet the needs of the community now and in the future.

MARCH 3 ELECTRIC UTILITY ENTERPRISE

- **Epic Program Capital Agreements (First Reading)**
  - Approval of two separate loan agreements in order to fund the project demand for the Eipc Homes Program
    - Environmental Health - 4.3 Achieve 2020 Energy Policy goals and work towards Climate Action goals for carbon neutrality.

MARCH 10 WORK SESSION - CANCELED

- CANCELED FOR CONGRESSIONAL CITY CONFERENCE - NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE (MARCH 8-11, 2020)

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT – UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Manufactured Home Residents’ Rights Preservation Grant Writing Workshop: February 15**
  - City staff will conduct a grant writing workshop, in partnership with The Family Center, for community members who reside in Manufactured Home Communities. The grants can be used for a variety of things that will enhance and improve the quality of life in these communities. City staff will guide community members through the application and will answer any questions they may have.
- **Building Energy and Water Scoring Program (BEWS): February 26**
  - Energy Services and Community Engagement staff will host an open house to assist property owners and managers register their properties to be in compliance with the BEWS program. Utilities partnered with staff
from Xcel Energy and the Brendle Group to help participants ensure their energy data is uploaded into the Portfolio Manager benchmarking tool through the EPA’s Energy Star.

- **Halligan Water Supply Project: February 18** Utilities staff will present to the Foothills Rotary Club as part of our ongoing management of reaching out to the community on the project.

- **Efficiency Works Contractor Training: February 25 and March 17** Utilities staff will host technical training for contractors highlighting optimization of LED lighting for savings and performance on February 25. On March 17, the next segment of the Technical Training series will be hosted at Platte River Power Authority on how Efficiency Works can help reduce residents heating and cooling costs without sacrificing comfort.

- **Green Building Lecture Series: March 4** Utilities staff will present a plumbing efficiency workshop on the optimization of plumbing design for improved water and energy efficiency with smarter hot water delivery. The workshop looks to explore, inform and shape future City water and energy efficiency building code.

- **Home2Health Kick Off Event: February 27** The Home2Health team will host the official kick off event for the project on February 27 at The Lyric. The event will consist of a free video screening and panel discussion to showcase the stories of community members as they relate to housing and health equity issues.

### SALES TAX - MONTHLY & YEAR TO DATE

#### DECEMBER SUMMARY OVER PRIOR YEAR

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Year to date, sales and use tax collections excluding rebates are up 2.2% and total $141.5M.

#### DECEMBER SUMMARY OVER BUDGET

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Year to date, the City has collected 1.8% more sales and use tax revenue, totaling $2.5M over budget.

### CP- ENGINEERING

#### CITYWIDE PEDESTRIAN ACCESS PROJECT

- **Capital Project (CP) Updates are indicated in bold**
Funding Source: Community Capital Improvement Program (CCIP)
Estimated Project Budget: 2019 - $1.1M
Estimated Completion Date: Ongoing
Phase: Construction

**Project Details:**
This project maintains a complete City sidewalk inventory, identifies sidewalk inadequacies, and access needs under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and develops a prioritized work program to achieve goals of providing unobstructed access for transportation and recreation.

**Project Status:**
- Current project location: 2019 construction program complete; currently planning 2020 program.
- Recently completed project: new sidewalk installed at Mulberry and Riverside (see before and after pictures above).


**TRANSFORT BUS PAD UPGRADE PROJECT**
Funding Source: Federal Transit Administration (FTA)
Estimated Project Budget: 2019 - $915K
Estimated Completion Date: Spring/Summer 2021
Phase: Contract Award

Project Details:
Construction and upgrade of City-wide bus pads at Transfort stops to conform with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. A total of 66 bus pads have been identified under this contract for construction and/or upgrade.

Project Status:
- Completed 14 of 66 bus pads to date; next 10 pads scheduled or in planning for Feb-Mar 2020.
SUNIGA ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – COLLEGE AVE. TO BLONDEL STREET

Funding Source: 2017/2018 BFO, COFC Utilities, Transportation Capital Expansion Fee (TCEF), Developer Contributions
Estimated Project Budget: $3.7M
Estimated Completion Date: Spring 2020
Phase: Roadway Completed, Landscape Phase

Project Details:
Design and construction of a new arterial roadway that connects existing Suniga Road, from Blondel St. to College Avenue.

Project Status:
- Landscape started in November 2019 and good progress has been made through the winter months. The project will pause until Spring 2020 when plant and tree stock is available to install.

More information is available at https://www.fcgov.com/engineering/suniga-to-college-improvements

VINE AND LEMAY BNSF IMPROVEMENTS

Funding Source: Keep Fort Collins Great (KFCG), Transportation Capital Expansion Fee (TCEF), 2017 / 2018 BFO
Estimated Project Budget: $24M ($12M currently allocated)
Estimated Completion Date: 2021 (Pending funding)
Phase: In Design

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.

Project Status:
- Staff is moving forward with right of way acquisition and final design.
Staff will issue RFP to secure construction contractor in March, and begin construction late spring 2020 with subgrade and utility improvements, including the A4 lateral drainage improvements to the NECCO stormsewer system.

Staff has received preliminary approval through the PUC and BNSF of the bridge crossing. Staff is now continuing to move forward with other associated agreements with BNSF.

More information is available at fcgov.com/engineering/vine-lemay

POWER TRAIL AND HARMONY ROAD GRADE SEPARATED CROSSING

Funding Source: Federal Grant, Community Capital Improvement Program (CCIP - Bike / Pedestrian Grade Separated Crossings)
Estimated Project Budget: $7M - $10M
Estimated Completion Date: Pending funding
Phase: Alternatives Analysis – Conceptual Design

Project Details:
The Power Trail provides connectivity between the Spring Creek Trail to the north and the Fossil Creek Trail to the south. The Trail currently has a gap approximately three-quarters of a mile long north and south of Harmony Road. The detour route requires users to cross Harmony Road at grade at McMurry. This project will design, acquire property interests, and construct a trail grade separated crossing at Harmony Road as well as the trail connections on either side.

Project Status:
- City Staff have presenting results of the alternatives analysis to City boards and commissions.
- Staff is moving forward with a 30% design to refine costs estimates, determine final structure and finalize right-of-way and utility impacts.

More information is available at https://www.fcgov.com/engineering/powertrailcrossing

TIMBERLINE ROAD CORRIDOR PROJECT

Funding Source: Transportation Capital Expansion Fee (TCEF), Developer Contribution, Federal Grant
Estimated Project Budget: $5M
Estimated Completion Date: 2021
Phase: Request for Proposal (RFP)

Project Details:
This project will reconstruct South Timberline Road from Stetson Creek Drive to Trilby Road to the City’s four lane arterial roadway standards. Planned improvements include; intersection improvements at Kechter Road, Zephyr Road, and Trilby Road, multi-modal accommodations, raised medians, access control, landscaping improvements, and roadway improvements. This project serves to build upon the development improvements that have been completed along the corridor. This project will improve safety, reduce congestion, and provide improved accommodations for alternate travel modes.
Project Status:
- JUB was selected as the project design consultant.
- Survey has been collected and preliminary design is underway.
- Individual meetings with property owners that will be impacted are scheduled for February.

JEFFERSON STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Funding Source: Federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Funds, Building on Basics (BOB) 1.0 funds
Estimated Project Budget: $1.4M
Estimated Completion Date: Summer 2020
Phase: Construction

Project Details:
The goals of this project are to develop preliminary engineering design plans, to acquire rights-of-way and easements for planned improvements, and to construct short-term improvements along Jefferson Street between College Avenue and the Mountain/Lincoln Intersection.

Project Status:
- No project updates

LINDEN STREET RENOVATION PROJECT

Funding Source: Community Capital Improvement Program (CCIP)
Estimated Project Budget: $3.8M
Estimated Completion Date: 2020
Phase: Engineering Design

Project Details:
The goals of this project are to renovate Linden Street between Walnut Street and Jefferson Street. Initial concepts include converting this section of Linden Street to a “convertible” street; one that can
function primarily as a roadway but can also be closed to vehicles and converted to a pedestrian plaza during specialty events.

Project Status:
- No project updates

WILLOW STREET IMPROVEMENTS

Funding Source: Federal Grants, Community Capital Improvement Program (CCIP), Developer Contributions, DDA Funds
Estimated Project Budget: $3.8M
Estimated Completion Date: Fall 2019
Phase: Construction

Project Details:
This project will design roadway and urban design improvements along Willow Street between College Avenue and Linden Street; including a pedestrian plaza at the northern corner of Willow Street and Linden Street.

Project Status:
- Pedestrian scale lighting to be installed (February), which will bring the capital project to a close.
- Plaza art installation is scheduled for Spring of 2020.
NORTH MASON DESIGN – ALPINE TO HICKORY

Funding Source: Transportation Capital Expansion Fee (TCEF), Storm Water Utility, Urban Renewal Authority (URA) funding
Estimated Project Budget: $1.0M
Estimated Completion Date: Fall 2020
Phase: Conceptual Design

Project Details:
A collaborative effort between City departments and the North College URA to find solutions to existing drainage issues along the west side of College Avenue, north of the Poudre River. The project was approved through the 2019/2020 Budgeting for Outcomes (BFO) process and will focus on roadway and storm sewer alignments for North Mason. Construction of the storm sewer backbone is expected to occur in 2021/2022. No funding has currently been identified for the roadway construction.

Project Status:
- Staff will begin moving design forward to 30% to determine the ultimate roadway alignment.
- The project is coordinating with Utilities on the ultimate outfall location, and is determining the right-of-way required to do this.
- Staff anticipates moving forward with ROW/easement acquisition Summer of 2020 to facilitate the installation of the storm system and outfall.

LAPORTE AVENUE ROADWAY AND BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS

Funding Source: CCIP, Pedestrian Program, Capital Bridge Program
Estimated Project Budget: $3.2M
Estimated Completion Date: Spring 2021 – Pending final funding for roadway
Phase: Preliminary Design

Project Details:
This project will replace two bridges over the New Mercer Canal just east of Taft Hill Road along Laporte Avenue north of the cemetery. One bridge is structurally deficient while the other is functionally obsolete. This project is also design pedestrian, bicycle and other roadway improvements from Fishback to Sunset to provide a safer connection to amenities including Poudre High School and PSD offices. The project is currently only funded to provide 30% design for improvements along the entire corridor, however the final design and construction of both bridges is fully funded through the City’s Capital Bridge Program. The City intends to construct the bridges over next winter 2020/2021.

Project Status:
- Staff has finished the initial stage of public outreach for the project and has begun preliminary engineering design, incorporating comments received during public engagement.
- 30% design is scheduled to be complete by April of 2020, and staff will present this to the public.
Staff has applied for two separate grant applications for this project (Transportation Alternatives Program and the Multi-Modal Options Fund) to fund a portion of the pedestrian and bicycle improvements associated with the project.

- Project is scheduled to construct the bridges in Winter of 2020/2021. This is funded through the City’s current Bridge Program funds.
- No funding has been identified for construction of the pedestrian and bicycle improvements, but Staff is currently looking at all options to get this portion funded.

**TAFT HILL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – HORSETOOTH TO HARMONY**

Funding Source: Larimer County Regional Road Fees (RRF), Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)
Estimated Project Budget: $5.3M
Estimated Completion Date: Fall 2022
Phase: Project Kickoff

Project Details:
This section of Taft Hill Road currently experiences significant congestion and safety concerns. In collaboration with Larimer County, the City will construct a 4-lane arterial roadway from the intersection at Horsetooth to Brixton Road (just south of Harmony). Improvements will include sidewalk, curb and gutter, bike lanes and storm sewer/utility improvements. The City and County were awarded a federal STBG grant for design and construction.

Project Status:
- City Council appropriated project funds and signed contracts with the County and State to utilize Regional Road Fee funding through Larimer County and Federal Grant funding.
- City and County staff began public outreach to property owners and residents adjacent to the project.
- Staff is preparing to advertise the project for design services.

**EAST PROSPECT WIDENING – SHARP POINT TO INTERSTATE 25**

Funding Source: Transportation Capital Expansion Fee (TCEF)
Estimated Project Budget: $8M – Currently have $2M
Estimated Completion Date: Fall 2021 – Pending construction funding
Phase: Design and right-of-way (ROW) acquisition

Project Details:
This project will widen East Prospect Road to the 4-lane arterial cross section from approximately Sharp Point on the west end to Interstate 25 (I-25) on the east end. This is a project being coordinated with current CDOT improvements at the interchange, as well as local development. This is the last major piece of Prospect Road to be upgraded to the Master Street Plan 4-lane arterial section, and involves
constructing a new intersection at the Frontage Road and East Prospect on the west side of I-25, as well as improvements to the Summitview and Sharp Point intersections.

Project Status:

- Staff is working towards 30% design and plans to move into final design this spring.
- Staff has met with all affected property owners along the corridor and identified ROW needs on each parcel. Several meetings have been had with each individual property owner.
- The project will begin acquiring ROW for this project in Q1 of this year, with the goal of having all of the ROW acquired by the end of 2020 to be prepared in case funding is identified for construction.
- There is currently no funding identified or available for construction.

**CP - PARK PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**

**BUCKING HORSE PARK**

Funding Source: Parkland Funds  
Total Project Cost: $2.5 - $3 million  
Phase: Design  
Estimated Completion: Fall 2020

**Project Details:**  
Bucking Horse Park is a new neighborhood park planned in the Bucking Horse neighborhood.

**Project Status:**  
- PPD is continuing to solicit neighborhood feedback regarding park element and design features.  
- Staff is currently working on design alternatives for the park, which will be presented at the next neighborhood meeting in early spring.  
- A combined consultant RFP for the park and the East District Maintenance Facility, located close to the park, will be issued soon.
CITY PARK REFRESH

Funding Source: Building On Basics
Total Project Cost: $850k-$1M
Phase: Phase I project identification
Estimated Completion: 2021 for Phase I project

**Project Details:** Several concepts, master plans, and improvement ideas have been generated and shared with the community for feedback in 2016, 2018, and 2019 to address important refresh needs of City Park.

- **Project Status:** Based on Council direction, a new restroom is proposed in City Park, utilizing the available BOB funding.
- Fabrication of the new City Park Train continues. When complete, the train will be placed in storage until funding for site work related to the installation of the train at City Park is secured. Strategies for fundraising for the train are currently being explored.
- **Planning & design efforts for the new restroom are underway.**

**CYCLO-CROSS SKILLS TRAINING COURSE PILOT PROGRAM AT ROSSBOROUGH PARK**

Funding Source: Cyclo-cross community donations
Phase: Pilot project ended on December 10, 2019
Estimated Completion: December 2019

**Project Details:**
The city has been working with the cyclo-cross community for several years to evaluate several park sites for suitability to pilot a cyclo-cross skills training course. Rossborough Park was selected as the best fit due to existing physical features needed for the training course, available space for the use, and ability to mitigate potential conflicts with other park users.

Staff from Park Planning, Parks, Forestry and Engineering have collaborated with the cyclo-cross community on the best course layout in order to protect park resources and other park uses while providing several skills features for cyclo-cross riders.

**Project Status:**
- The pilot season ended December 10, 2019.
- **Comments and feedback from neighbors, course riders, and Parks maintenance staff are currently being evaluated and will be presented at an upcoming neighborhood meeting on February 20.**

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**EAST COMMUNITY PARK MAINTENANCE FACILITY**

**East Park District Maintenance Facility**
Funding Source: Parkland Funds
Total Project Cost: Estimated $2.5 – $5 million
Phase: Development Review
Estimated Completion: Tentative – Fall 2021

**Project Details:**
A maintenance facility to serve the East Park District, which includes multiple neighborhood and community parks, is proposed near the intersection of Drake & Ziegler near the water treatment facility. The maintenance facility will house Parks Department staff, equipment, and some minor material storage.

**Project Status:**
- The maintenance facility is proposed east of Bucking Horse Park near the intersection of Drake & Ziegler, south of the water treatment facility. The City purchased the land recently for this purpose.
As part of the development review process, an Addition of Permitted Use is required. The Planning department requires two neighborhood meetings, approval from the Planning & Zoning Board, and Council approval. Operation Services will be leading the design and construction of the facility.

A combined consultant RFP for the East District Maintenance Facility and the Bucking Horse Park will be submitted soon.

EASTSIDE PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Funding Source: First United Methodist Church
Total Project Cost: Based on fundraising efforts
Phase: Fundraising
Estimated Completion: TBD

Project Details:
Based on a generous gift from United Methodist Church, some park improvements are proposed at Eastside Park. These improvements will include landscape, lighting, and seating enhancements. Park Planning & Development has prepared an improvement plan for the park.

Project Status:
- Fundraising efforts by the First United Methodist Church have reached $245,000.
- Funds will be appropriated in February of 2020.
- Construction of improvements is anticipated in late spring to early summer of 2020.
POUDRE RIVER WHITEWATER PARK

Funding Source: Park Planning & Development, CCIP, General Fund, Public and Private Fundraising, Stormwater, and Natural Areas
Total Project Cost: $11.5M
Phase: Completed – October 2019

Project Details:
The Poudre River Whitewater Park project has been a collaborative effort between multiple City departments, local advocates, and the philanthropic community. The project provided natural systems, stormwater, and recreation benefits. Project elements include whitewater boating features, a pedestrian bridge, a naturalistic park space, overlook plaza, trail & walk connections, and parking.

Project Status:
- Heritage signage fabrication is in process with installation by spring 2020.
- Heritage Gateway Marker under contract through Art in Public Places in partnership with Poudre Heritage Alliance and DDA.
- Analysis is ongoing of the river features and any correlating permitting requirements for future tuning.

POUDRE TRAIL AT I-25

Funding Source: Conservation Trust Fund & GOCO Grant ($1M for Fort Collins)
Total Project Cost: $2.7M
Phase: Design
Estimated Completion: 2022

Project Detail:
Construction of this 2-mile section of the trail will complete the entire extent of the approximately 10-mile Poudre Trail in the City of Fort Collins. Fort Collins partnered with Timnath, Windsor, and Larimer County in 2019 to win a $2M GOCO Connect Initiative grant to complete all remaining segments of the Poudre Trail. The GOCO project will complete approximately 4-miles of missing trail segments, to complete the entire 40+ mile Poudre Trail from Bellvue to Greeley. The Fort Collins project will connect the existing trail ending at the Colorado State Environmental Learning Center through the future East Community Park to the proposed I-25 underpass to be constructed by the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) with the North I-25 project, and thereafter to the existing trail segment in Timnath.

Project Status
- Colorado State University has agreed to convey a trail easement through the Environmental Learning Center.
- A Preliminary Engineering Report is being reviewed by the Great West Railroad to address constructing the trail over an existing unimproved railroad crossing.
- Preliminary design of the trail is underway.
- Easement negotiations with a private landowner are ongoing.
- Coordination with CDOT continues as the North I-25 project advances.

POUDRE TRAIL AT LANCER DRIVE

Funding Source: Conservation Trust Fund
Total Project Cost: $750,000
Phase: Under construction
Estimated Completion: Winter 2019

Project Detail:
The Poudre Trail spur at Lancer Drive will be located east of Lincoln Middle School, and provide a safe, off-street pedestrian route from West Vine Drive to the Poudre Trail. In addition to the trail, Natural Areas and FC Bikes are proposing improvements in the area, to create a safer environment and enhanced connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists.
Project Status
- Trail construction is near completion with the manufacturing and installation of the pedestrian bridge pending. Once the bridge is installed, trail connect can be completed.
- **Work is anticipated to be completed in the Spring of 2020.**

### REACH 4 FEASIBILITY STUDY

Funding Source: CCIP  
Total Project Cost: $125,000  
Phase: Consultant Selection  
Estimated Completion: Spring 2020

**Project Detail:**
This study will evaluate feasibility of improvements proposed for Reach 4 as part of the Poudre River Downtown Master Plan, located along the Poudre River between the Whitewater Park and Linden Street. The report will include estimated construction costs for use in preparing a 2021-22 budget offer.

**Project Status**
- Consultant team is under contract  
- Site inventory and analysis underway  
- **Outreach with stakeholders in underway. The goal is to review the objectives as outlined in the Poudre River Downtown Master Plan, update needs, and work with CERCLA group to better understand and coordinate future improvements.**
TRAIL HEAD PARK

Funding Source: Neighborhood Parkland Funds
Total Project Cost: $2.5-$3M
Phase: Design
Estimated Completion: Fall 2020

Project Details:
A new neighborhood park is proposed in the Trail Head neighborhood, located on East Vine Street. The park will include typical park features including a shelter, playground, multi-purpose field, basketball court, and play area for teens.

Project Status:
- Park construction anticipated to begin in the Spring of 2020, and the park completed in Fall of 2020.
- Construction Manager/General Contractor is under contract.
- Playground Design and Manufacturing contracting is nearing completion.

CP - OPERATION SERVICES

FORT COLLINS/LOVELAND POLICE TRAINING CENTER

Funding Sources:
- $9.25M generated from bonds for the City of Fort Collins
- $9.25M from City of Loveland
- $1M from DOLA Grant
Total Project Cost: $19.5M
Phase: Phase I Site Work in Progress
- Phase II Building in Pricing
Estimated Completion Date: Late 2020

Project Details:
The City of Fort Collins is partnering with The City of Loveland to construct a new Police training facility which will be located on the west side of the Loveland Airport.
This new site will offer a 50-yard pistol range, a 1.4-mile driving track, concrete skills pad, and some classrooms for special training.

**Project Status:**
- Phase I site work is underway, but on hold due to winter weather. **Plan to restart March 1, weather permitting.**
- Concrete paving has been put on hold due to winter weather.
- We are working with property owners to get easements secured for the utilities for this project. Two of the three are completed.
- Building construction drawings are submitted for building permit.
- **Phase II GMP is scheduled for Loveland City Council on February 18, 2020.**

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**CP - UTILITIES**

**WATER TREATMENT FACILITY**

Funding Source: Capital Project Budget  
Estimated Project Budget: $1,300,000  
Phase: In Construction

*Project Details:*  
Approximately 7,300 feet of three-phase from Overland Trail to the Treatment Facility in an existing easement on Colorado State University Property

*Project Status: No Updates*
- The ATO order has been placed, delivery date is still unknown
- Phase two has started. The Station 400 vault has been set for the second switch
- Completion is estimated for the third quarter of 2020.

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**LIGHT & POWER GENESIS64 SCADA UPGRADE PROJECT**

Funding Source: New Capital  
Estimated Project Budget: $200,000  
Phase: In Design

*Project Details:*  
Convert the existing Iconics Genesis32 hardware, software, and screens to Genesis64

*Project Status:*  
- The Kepware BETA test program has been tested and approved by the ESCADA team.
- The ESCADA team is working on linking Kepware tags on the new GEN64 screens.
- A memo was sent to the City’s I.T. department regarding work required to allow L&P staff to move towards a timely completion of the project.

### NEW FEEDER CAPACITY (E. DRAKE & LEMAY)

**Funding Source:** New Capital  
**Estimated Project Budget:** $500,000  
**Phase:** Construction

**Project Details:**  
Install 7000 feet of three phase 750 Al and one switch to serve new load at Drake and Lemay.

**Project Status:**  
- 750 Al and new switch gear has been energized and tested, no issues. Awaiting planned outage for Woodward to transfer load.

### GIS/GWD & ADMS

**Funding Source:** Offer 5.23 Operational Technology  
**Estimated Project Budget:** $2,762,384  
**Phase:** System Design, Hardware Procurement, Database Configuration

**Project Details:**  
1. Replacement and upgrade of the existing L&P mapping systems to a fully capable Geographic Information System (GIS) platform compatible with the City’s enterprise GIS.  
2. Implementation of a GIS-based Graphic Work Design (GWD) system enabling streamlined electric distribution design and development and integration with GIS as well as other key systems  
3. Replacement of existing electric distribution operational tools with a new Advanced Distribution Management System (ADMS) that enables L&P’s Supervisory Control & Operations (SCO) staff to performs a wide range of real-time analysis in the management of the City’s electric distribution system.

**Project Status:**  
- Members of the GIS/GWD team are working with the vendor to migrate our compatible units into the new system as well as create favorites, which will aid in the design process.  
- A new development environment has been stood up for the configuration and testing phase of the GWD software implementation. Work is underway to develop test scripts.  
- Training for GWD is scheduled for the end of March 2020.  
- Post go-live of ArcFM Mobile, we have held three more mapping workshops to hear feedback from line crews on the new software. Many enhancements have been requested and many have been implemented.  
- The project now has nine staff performing map updates according to a prescribed set of standards. Managing the large number of editors is enabled by newly implemented process and data management systems.  
- The ADMS project team is finalizing details of the hardware architecture as the vendor prepared to stand up their development environment.

SYSTEM CABLE REPLACEMENT PRIORITY 1-WOODWEST

Funding Source: Offer 8.9 Economic Health
Estimated Project Budget: $158,000
Phase: In Construction

Project Details:
This project will replace 11,500 lineal feet of cable in the Woodwest Subdivision. This area was identified as a top priority.

Project Status: No Update
• Replacement includes 30 sections of cable.
• Project completion is expected by year end in Quarter 4.

CATHODIC PROTECTION FOR NORTHEAST LOOP WATER LINE

Funding Source: Water
Estimated Project Budget: $2,280,000
Status: Close Out
Estimated Completion Date: 4th Quarter, 2019

Project Details:
The Anheuser Busch (AB) water line cathodic protection project is part of the Utilities Cathodic Protection (CP) Program. This AB water line project entails design and installation of a cathodic protection rectification system. This CP system will mitigate and prevent further corrosion on the bar-wrapped concrete cylinder pipe which supplies finished water from the Water Treatment Facility (WTF) to AB.

Project Status:
• SOP and O&M manual draft outline
• Training on CP SOP and O&M
• Final close out and debrief meeting occurred
**WTF- HORSETOOTH ALTERNATIVE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT**

Funding Source: Water  
Estimated Project Budget: $3,200,000  
Status: In Design  
Estimated Completion Date: May 2021

**Project Details:**  
Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District (Northern Water) plans to shut down the Soldier Canyon pipe outlet from Horsetooth (HT) Reservoir in the 4th quarter of 2020 to conduct repairs. The City, surrounding water districts, and Platte River Power Authority (Platte River) are working together on a project to supply Horsetooth water from an alternative location during this shutdown. This project involves construction of a permanent pipeline and a temporary pump station to connect between the Hansen Canal (the outlet canal on the north side of HT Reservoir) and the Pleasant Valley Pipeline (PVP), which supplies water from the Poudre River to Northern Colorado Water districts. This project will provide HT water to the Water Districts and the City during the Northern Water shutdown project.

**Project Status:**  
- Council appropriation was on December 27, 2019.  
- WTF manager coordinating with Water Districts on IGAs.  
- Easement negotiations is taking place with the property owners.

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**21” STOVER SEWER REPLACEMENT**

Funding Source: Wastewater  
Estimated Project Budget: $550,000  
Status: In Construction  
Estimated Completion Date: June 1, 2020

**Project Details:**  
The 21” Stover Street sewer replacement project includes construction of 460’ of new 24” sanitary sewer in Parker Street between Stover Street and Ukiah Lane. Manholes on each side of the new segment will be installed and two new manholes in Stover Street will be installed to create a permanent bypass structure which can be used in future maintenance and rehabilitation. The project is needed to replace a section of sanitary sewer that broke in July 2019 and required emergency repair.

**Project Status:**  
- Installation of new 24” sanitary sewer pipe, 460LF, is upcoming.  
- Installation of two new manholes is upcoming.  
- Public outreach is complete.
Serve on the Poudre Valley Fire Protection District (PVFPRD) Board of Directors
The PVFPD Board, one of the “parent” agencies that helps govern PFA, is looking for directors to serve on the board. There will be an election on May 5, 2020. Members work together and help guide PFA with the goals of the following: improving response times to emergencies for fire and rescue services; eliminating duplicate services; and reducing costs to both the taxpayers of Fort Collins and the Poudre Valley Fire Protection District. Go to https://www.poudre-fire.org/about-us/pvfpd-board for more information.

Accepting Applications for Volunteer Firefighters | Deadline March 1
Poudre Fire Authority operates two volunteer fire stations, Station 9 and Station 11. PFA is accepting applicants for volunteer firefighters to staff these stations. They are trained in wildland fire suppression and to provide emergency medical care, which may include technical rescues. Applicants must be certified Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and be able to work two shifts a month between Memorial Day (May 25) and Labor Day (September 7).

Several Structure Fires with Minimal Damage
Several structure fires in January were kept to their areas of origin or close to it, reminding us of the effectiveness of a right sized response at the right time. Structure fires occurred in a bedroom, bathrooms, a porch, a vacant home, and a dryer, but the main structure and even majority of the rooms/walls around the fires were saved thanks to quick reporting by the community and the prompt responses of PFA firefighters.

PFA Participated in the First Community Risk Reduction (CRR) Week Jan. 20 – 26th
CRR Week is a grass-roots effort by a group of fire safety professionals from across the nation. The idea is to help promote the awareness of CRR by having a designated week when everyone can share information focused on CRR programs and demonstrate its importance to the fire service. It is built on the 5 E’s: Education, Engineering, Enforcement, Emergency Response, and Economic Incentive. It strives to show how each piece is needed to make fewer emergencies happen. http://crrweek.org/ or search #CRRWeek

Smoke Alarm at CSU Turned Hazmat Response | Jan. 17
PFA was dispatched to a smoke alarm in the Pathology Building on CSU campus. The Engine 10 crew was the first on scene and began to investigate the cause. They found what looked like fog or steam inside of a room on the third floor. Since the room had signage for hazardous materials inside, the crew exercised the precautions that are necessary for a hazmat response. It was unknown if there were victims inside, so the crew searched the room and confirmed that no one was inside and in need of rescue. The crew then exited the building where they removed and decontaminated their gear. The PFA hazmat team further investigated the substance, which was identified as nonhazardous steam. Air monitors showed some slightly elevated
levels, which firefighters investigated further. People were allowed back inside once the scene was confirmed to be safe.

POLICE SERVICES

FCPS Spanish Team Hosts Cafecito
The Fort Collins Police Spanish team works with local partners to build connections and increase trust within our Spanish-speaking community. On January 30, FCPS and The Family Center/La Familia hosted a Cafecito (Coffee with a Cop) to chat with Spanish-speaking families and learn more about concerns and needs within the community. The event was well-attended, and the group developed several ideas for future events, including a parent/teen education series.

FCPS officers receive donated rifle-rated armor
Fort Collins Police and Shield616 launched a new giving platform to help provide police officers with all-day rifle-rated body armor. Rifle-rated protection is often extremely heavy and not suitable for all-day wear. However, technology advances have led to the development of lightweight gear. SHIELD616 has created an avenue for community members to raise funds for this gear and better protect their local officers. In April 2019, Safeway held a “Give Where You Live” campaign that allowed customers to donate funds at the register. This campaign raised enough to outfit eight FCPS officers. SHIELD616 presented the rifle-rated protection to officers on January 22, 2020. This event marked the beginning of a local fundraising effort to help outfit all FCPS officers with rifle-rated protection.

FC911 Earns Accreditation
The FC911 Dispatch team earned designation as an "Accredited Center of Excellence" (ACE) through the International Academies of Emergency Dispatch. IAED Accredited Centers share a common goal of improving public care and maximizing the efficiency of 911 systems. This achievement comes as a result of a lot of hard work, strong documentation, and a high standard of daily operations.

Police Explorer Team Grows
FCPS celebrated Police Explorer graduation in January as new members joined the team. Our Explorers are an outstanding group of young people aged 15-20 who get an opportunity to learn about law enforcement while volunteering for our community.
Man Arrested in Connection with Window Peeping
On January 4, 2020 Fort Collins Police were contacted by a female victim to report a sexual assault. An investigation was immediately initiated by officers and detectives. Based on the information obtained in that investigation, Brendan Morse, was arrested on January 5 and charged with Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and Invasion of Privacy for Sexual Gratification. This crime is often referred to as “Window Peeping”, and Detectives believe that additional incidents may have occurred over the course of the past year in Fort Collins, particularly in the area west of Shields Street between Mulberry Street and Drake Road. Detectives are attempting to identify additional victims and ask that anyone who believes they may have been a victim or anyone who has any information related to the investigation to contact police at (970) 416-2825 or at tipsline@fcgov.com or Crime Stoppers of Larimer County at 970-221-6868 or www.stopcriminals.org.

Arrests Made in Shooting Investigation
On January 4, a 17-year-old male reported that he had been shot near the intersection of Harmony Road and Lady Moon Drive by unknown suspects. After a thorough investigation, Detectives were able to determine that the teen was actually shot during an attempted Aggravated Robbery in the 3000 block of County Fair Lane on the same night. Three adults and three juveniles, including the 17-year-old who suffered the gunshot wound, are facing charges in the incident. This incident was not a random shooting and police do not believe there is any ongoing threat to the community.

PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT & TRANSPORTATION

BUILDING, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

Monthly Reporting
Monthly construction reporting and mapping of development review proposals and construction can be found by visiting: http://citydocs.fcgov.com/?dt=MONTHLY+REPORT&dn=NEIGHBORHOOD+%26+BUILDING+SERVICES%26FZONING&vid=2&cmd=showdt

For a detailed listing of development Proposals under review, please visit: https://www.fcgov.com/developmentreview/proposals/
Home2Health: CDPHE Housing Affordability and Health Equity Grant
In January, the Home2Health project focused on recruiting Community Guides (with the Center for Public Deliberation) and Storytellers. Home2Health also hosted a “strategic doing” stakeholder event on January 27, led by partners at CSU Extension. Small groups of stakeholders worked on the following topics: Research; Education, Outreach, and Narrative; Programs and Funding; and Policy and Development. Each group committed to a specific project to accomplish in the next 9 months. Examples of projects included a listening session at Red Tail Ponds, a decision-makers policy guide, a storytelling project, and a community resource list among others. Our next major event for Home2Health will be a public kickoff called The Storytellers Project. The event will take place on February 27, 6:30-8pm at the Lyric (event flyer attached).

City Plan Implementation – Land Use Code Audit
The final code audit report presenting possible Land Use Code organization and substantive changes that implement concepts from the City Plan Update is slated for official release in February. An additional topic recently added to the audit is consideration of changes to implement Nature in the City policies.

Harmony Corridor Plan Gateway Area Update
On February 20th, Planning and Zoning Board will make a recommendation to amend the Harmony Corridor Plan pertaining to the ‘Gateway Area’ at I-25 as well as corresponding development regulations. City Council consideration of the Plan and code amendments is scheduled for first reading on March 3rd.

Hughes Rezoning
City Council approved an ordinance at 1st reading on November 5th that rezones the former Hughes Stadium property from Transition (T) to a combination of Low-Density Mixed-Use Neighborhood (LMN) and Residential Foothills (RF) with the requirement that the RF-zoned area be designed as a cluster plan. An Alternate Ethics Board Review to address a complaint related to Council’s action at the first reading delayed consideration of the second reading of the rezoning ordinance to January 21, 2020. The second reading was subsequently delayed for a second time, to March 17th, to allow sufficient time for the Alternate Ethics Board to consider an additional ethics complaint.

Oil and Gas Operations
Staff continues to engage the public while developing local oil and gas regulations. A City interdepartmental workshop was held in mid-January, a Joint Board meeting is scheduled February 24, two public meetings are scheduled the first week of March, and a presentation to the Chamber of Commerce is scheduled for early April. Regularly scheduled conversations with the operator and Larimer County continue. A City Council Work Session is scheduled for April 28th to discuss alternative regulatory frameworks.

Montava Development Project
City Council approved the first reading for the Montava Planned Unit Development Master Plan. A second reading and public hearing will occur on February 18, with additional opportunity for public input and City Council discussion. The Council meeting will start at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 300 Laporte.
New Development Applications – January 2020
More information on development proposals under review: https://www.fcgov.com/developmentreview/proposals/

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Development Project Decisions – January 2020
More information on development project decisions: https://www.fcgov.com/developmentreview/agendas.php

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NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

Northeast Fort Collins Neighborhood Action Planning
Over 60 neighbors gathered on January 29th to begin the process of co-creating the future of Northeast Fort Collins. The evening began with a data walk around the room of census information for the area, land use maps, potential development maps, police data, and traffic information; followed by a series of table and larger group discussions. This included a visioning exercise on my ideal neighborhood; a Lego activity with a map of northeast Fort Collins and identifying where do we add housing, services, amenities, roads, trails, etc. and closing with a discussion and prioritization of what’s most important to our success. As well, questions were answered regarding: Who do we want to be? What's important to us? How do we begin to connect the dots? If houses come up for sale in my neighborhood, instead of advertising “10 minutes to Old Town”, they will say ________________.

A core group of neighbors will continue meeting to create a draft action plan that will be shared in early summer for additional neighborhood input. Once finalized neighbors will have a plan that outlines their
Campus West Connections
Campus West Connections had approximately 169 people utilizing the space during various meetings that took place, including: CSU Workshops, Spanish Meeting and Partnership Collaboration Meetings. As well, staff members from Code Compliance, Off-Campus Life, Student Resolution Center, CDNS Admin, and Police Services worked out of the space for approximately 572 hours.

Collaboration Back to School Lunch
A back to school lunch was held Campus West Connections and included staff members from City of Fort Collins Neighborhood Services, Code Compliance, Police Services, CSU Off Campus Life and Student Resolution Center. The purpose of the lunch was to brainstorm cross-training ideas and to discuss upcoming spring events.

Mediation and Restorative Justice Services
Mediation and Restorative Justice staff began internal outreach within City departments to let fellow City work groups know about the services the programs offer for conflicts within the community. Presentations have been made to Natural Areas Rangers and are scheduled for the Utilities work groups. Staff identified work groups who are out in the community and likely have exposure to conflicts within neighborhoods or with neighbors and City.

Six Restorative Justice volunteers are being trained by restorative justice staff as Restorative Justice facilitators. Two days of the 3-day training were completed in January with the last day scheduled in February.

MRJ also hosted a QPR Training (Question, Persuade, Refer), which is a suicide awareness and prevention training. Summitstone Health Partners provided the trainer and the training was for all MRJ volunteers and staff and all Neighborhood Services staff were invited.

Mobile Home Park Neighborhoods
Outreach for Mobile Home Park mini-grants and Mobile Home Park Community Handbook continued with residents, park owners, and property managers. A Mobile Home Park Owner/Property Manager meeting held on January 15, 2020 was attended by 8 participants, primarily from mobile home parks in the Fort Collins Growth Management Area. Of the issues raised by property managers and park owners, several aligned with issues identified as priority by mobile home park resident outreach: Language Equity & Lack of Available Resources, Housing Assistance (Lack of Access/Knowledge of Providers), City guidelines and permits for additions to mobile homes and other accessory structures, Code Enforcement in MHP’s, Lack of open lots or spaces in parks for new tenants or residents wanting to move their mobile home. Neighborhood Services Staff is meeting individually with mobile home park property managers who did not attend the meeting to provide them with information and gather valuable feedback.

MHP mini-grant applications are available online in English and Spanish and have been distributed to our partner organizations. A grant workshop was held Saturday, February 1st, at the “Pathways to Health” event on CSU campus in association with partner organizations, Institute for the Built Environment and Bike Fort Collins. Additional mini-grant application workshops are being scheduled with Mi Voz (Hickory Village, North College MHP, and Poudre Valley MHP) this month to follow up on the outreach conducted in December and January. The first round of MHP mini-grant applications are due March 1st.
Neighborhood Development Outreach Specialist/Liaison
A new Neighborhood Development Outreach Specialist/Liaison will be joining the CDNS Team on February 24th. Alyssa Stephens returns to the City from a position with CSU’s Institute for Research in Social Sciences as a facilitator, researcher, and project manager. She previously worked for Utilities Community Engagement as an Outreach Specialist and Special Project Coordinator. Alyssa began attending development review neighborhood meetings and Planning and Zoning Board activities beginning February 10th.

YEAR TO DATE COMPARISON

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Overall Development Review revenues are $(27,365) under projection for 2020 as of January 31st with Development Review under by $(15,402) and Engineering Development Review under by $(11,963).

GRAFFITI UPDATE

During the month of January 2020, the Graffiti Abatement Team abated 52 issues consisting of 79 tags measuring 1,339 square feet of graffiti-covered surfaces.

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SUSTAINABILITY SERVICES

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

January was Radon Action Month
January was National Radon Action Month, and the City of Fort Collins encouraged community members to protect their health by testing radon levels in their homes. Radon is a colorless, odorless, and naturally occurring gas that is the second leading cause of lung cancer. Radon gas enters homes and other buildings through cracks and openings in basements, crawl spaces, and slabs. Radon levels vary from house to house and have nothing to do with the age, upkeep, or quality of the building; however, Colorado homes are at a higher risk for radon.

Testing the radon levels in your home is simple and inexpensive. The City of Fort Collins sells discounted short-term ($6) and long-term ($20) kits for you to test your own home. These kits are available at the Fort Collins Senior Center, located at 1200 Raintree Dr.

If your home has high radon levels:
Hire a professional. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment provides links to contractors that are certified by the National Radon Proficiency Program and the National Radon Safety Board. Visit their website to find qualified radon contractors in your area: https://certifiedradonpros.org/co.html
For more information on radon and its health impacts as well as testing options visit fgov.com/radon.

SHIFT Earth Day Challenge
The Shift campaign is challenging our community to lose 5,000 pounds of CO2, a greenhouse gas that contributes to climate change, per household by Earth Day 2020. You can join the challenge by creating an account at Shiftfoco.com and tracking your actions.

This online platform lets you choose over 70 different actions to take to save time, energy, and money. Steps are:
- Create an account, pick your actions and track your progress to earn points.
- Complete your energy profile and create teams to compete with your friends and family, and get connected to the wider community of people in Fort Collins who are taking sustainability actions.
- Once you create an account, bike, bus or carpool to any of our partner businesses to earn a “buy one get one free” drink!

What is the Shift campaign? 80% of Fort Collins’ community members support climate action and want simple, easy actions they can take to do their part. Shift is dedicated to mobilizing our community to reach our climate action goals of a 20% reduction below 2005 levels in 2020; 80% below by 2030; and to be carbon neutral by 2050.

SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

Emergency Winter Weather Shelter
Forecasted winter temperatures below 0 degrees activated the City's Emergency Weather Shelter Plan for two nights in February. During emergency weather activation, additional options for overnight shelters are secured and community resources maximized to support those seeking shelter.

ECONOMIC HEALTH

Fort Collins Startup Week February 24 - 28
Startup Week Fort Collins is a free, 5-day celebration of our community that builds momentum and opportunity around entrepreneurship. The City of Fort Collins is a proud sponsor of the event which will feature over 100 panels, presentations, networking events and workshops for the business community. Led by local entrepreneurs and hosted in amazing spaces all over Fort Collins and Old Town, learn more at: startupfoco.com

UTILITIES

CUSTOMER CONNECTIONS

Community Engagement reached 758 participants through 28 outreach events and programs since January covering topics such as Time-of-Day rates, Income Qualified Assistance Program, Our Climate Future, Halligan Reservoir, Epic Homes program, and resource conservation programs.

Fort Collins Utilities is participating, monthly, with the Working Families Thrive committee - led by United Way of Larimer County. This group is comprised of non-profits that hope to strengthen individuals and families by providing access to the resources and services needed to achieve long term
stability. This group supports families through education, career development, employment, and increasing financial capability while sharing resources and ideas.

**Halligan Open House & Public Hearing:** The US Army Corps of Engineers held an open house/public hearing for the Halligan Water Supply Project on January 13. The community was given the opportunity to provide public comment about the draft environmental impact statement verbally to a stenographer or in writing. Fort Collins Utilities also had subject matter experts available to discuss the Conceptual Mitigation Plan for the Halligan Reservoir Enlargement Alternative.

**Larimer County Conservation Corps Training:** Utility residents of Larimer County have the option to schedule a home efficiency assessment as a free service through the Larimer County Conservation Corps program. The crews also provide energy and water conservation education designed to promote behavioral changes in these areas. Trainings were held January 7, 8 and 9 for new crews to learn about Utilities programs and messaging. New for 2020, Crew members were educated about radon testing and given radon testing kits to give to customers. In addition, Crew members were educated about Utilities Affordability Programs to better connect assessment participants with UAP offerings.

In early February, Fort Collins Utilities staff attended the **Mobile Home Park Resident Grant Writing Workshop** to provide additional information to North Fort Collins residents about grant and funding opportunities. Neighborhood Services has available programs and ways to connect people to services in the community, specifically the Utilities Affordability Programs (UAP).

Fort Collins Utilities is one of many booth participants at the **CSU Housing Fair**, engaging with students interested in Time-of-Day, the Flushable Wipes Campaign and learning how to start and stop utility services.

**WATER RESOURCES & TREATMENT OPERATIONS**

**Environmental Regulatory Affairs (ERA) Division.** 2019 representatives from each of the four ISO 14001 Environmental Management teams, along with members of the Biosolids Management Team, convened for a facilitated Appreciative Inquiry workshop on December 9. The workshop goals were to bring the teams together, explore the strengths and benefits of the current program, and dream about ways to leverage those strengths and build an ideal system.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**RECREATION**

- **Live Involved:** Live Involved occurred on January 25. Over 40 community organizations showcased their organization at the event and encouraged community members to live an involved life while building connections with others who share their passions. Over 300 community members attended the event.

- **Senior Center Friends Group Donation:** On Friday, January 31, Councilmember Cunniff accepted a check for $8,400 from the passionate and lively Senior Center Friends. This donation will help fund a new sound system at the facility. Approximately 30-35 members attended the event.
- Parks and Recreation Master Plan – Summit II: From Thursday, February 6-Saturday, February 10 the Parks, Park Planning and Development and Recreation Departments, along with a consultant, hosted stakeholder meetings, pop up events, and open houses for residents and user groups to provide input on the future of Parks and Recreation.

PARKS

- The Forestry Division finished the 30th annual Christmas tree recycling program in collaboration with Environmental Services. Over 7,700 trees were chipped into 89 tons of mulch which will be made available free to the community.
- Poudre Trail closed at Lincoln Ave. to Mulberry St. for stabilization work.
- The foot bridge between Rolland Moore Community Park and the Fort Collins Senior Center closed due to safety concerns. The replacement bridge will be installed in the spring.
- Staff attended and provided input on the Larimer county Urban Area Streetscape Standards (LCUASS) cross-sections with other City Departments.

CULTURAL SERVICES

Ballet Folclórico Nacional de México performed at The Lincoln Center on Sunday, February 9th. The sold-out performance celebrated the vibrant and diverse culture of Mexico through music and dance. The next day, over 1,000 students from Poudre School District attended a second performance. Coinciding with the Sunday performance, The Lincoln Center Gallery hosted a reception for the new exhibit “The Colors of the Community.” Included in the exhibit are Colorado artists Carlos Frésquez, David Ocelotl Garcia, Tony Ortega and Armando Silva.

During Gardens of Lights, The Gardens on Spring Creek hosted an evening for Early Head Start families in partnership with Poudre School District. Over 100 individuals enjoyed the lights, dinner, a magician and other family activities. This is the 3rd year of this partnership.
NATURAL AREAS

Skills-Based Volunteers

The Skills-Based Volunteer opportunity is a professional-level volunteer cohort, and the first program of its kind in the nation. Community members were invited to share their expertise with the Natural Areas Department by carrying out staff-identified projects and serving as volunteer consultants. The five projects were:

- Dog trail etiquette curriculum development
- History of Native Americans in Larimer County research
- Humans of Natural Areas social media series
- Natural Areas website audit
- Ranger data analysis

The volunteers were diverse and included working professionals, academics, and retirees. Hundreds of hours were contributed, culminating in an evening of presentations by each volunteer, attended by staff, fellow volunteers in the cohort, the City Manager and other city leaders. It was an impressive and inspiring experience to hear how valuable the volunteer contributions were to the City and how rewarded the volunteers felt through their work. The model of providing skills-based volunteer opportunities is quickly becoming recognized as a best practice and is being shared with other government agencies and nonprofits.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Mobile Home Park Residents’ Rights
City staff conducted a workshop and listening session with owners and property managers of Manufactured Home Communities in January 15 at the Northside Aztlan Community Center. The purpose of the workshop was to inform owners and managers about the project and to seek their input regarding possible solutions that could help preserve residents’ rights. This will be one of several engagement opportunities that will be carried out during the year.

Home2Health Stakeholder Meeting
The Home2Health project team hosted a “Strategic Doing” event on January 27 at the Northside Aztlan Center. The purpose of the workshop was to encourage collaboration around housing affordability and health equity issues. The workshop convened a wide range of housing and health stakeholders - including community members - focused on taking action regarding these topics. Participants chose a “Strategic Doing” group, each group with a different focus: Research; Education, Outreach, and Narrative; Programs and Funding; and Policy and Development. Participants will now have the opportunity to work on a project related to the group they chose which will impact and guide the direction of the project.

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COMMUNITY DASHBOARD HIGHLIGHT

The Community Dashboard features performance data and information that highlights how the City is doing in achieving its seven Outcome areas: Neighborhood Livability and Social Health, Culture and Recreation, Economic Health, Environmental Health, Safe Community, Transportation, and High Performing Government. The Dashboard is made up of 36 total metrics that are published quarterly and demonstrate where the City is doing well and where there are opportunities to improve. The color status of performance for each metric is determined based on the actual result for the quarter compared with the target. The color status of performance for the Outcome is determined based on the average calculation of the performance of each metric within that Outcome.

Each month the City Manager’s Update will highlight a metric from the Community Dashboard. This month’s feature is from the Transportation Outcome Area.
Analysis:
- Traffic volume-weighted average travel times (in minutes/mile) on City arterial streets including Harmony, Horsetooth, Drake, Prospect, Mulberry, Taft Hill, Shields, College, Lemay and Timberline during the p.m. peak period on weekdays.
- Q3 ’19 travel times were up 4.2% compared to Q2 ’19.
- Q3 ’19 travel times were about the same as the previous 4-year average for Q3.
- Q3 tends to be the worst quarter for congestion in Fort Collins as the return of CSU students and the start of the Poudre Valley school year increase traffic compared to the 1st and 2nd quarter.
- Mulberry east of Lemay out to I-25 continues to see heavy traffic most likely related to the CDOT closure of Vine drive over I-25. That project is scheduled for completion by the end of the year contingent on weather.

Definition:
Traffic volume-weighted average travel times (in minutes/mile) on City arterial streets including Harmony, Horsetooth, Drake, Prospect, Mulberry, Taft Hill, Shields, College, Lemay and Timberline during the p.m. peak period on weekdays.

Why is this metric important?
Efficient travel on the arterial street system in Fort Collins is important for the quality of life for residents, the safety of residents and the economic vitality of the City.

City’s impact on this metric:
High – Virtually everyone in the City is impacted by the transportation system. While there are many external factors -- particularly economic factors that impact the operation of the City transportation system, there is still much that the City can do in terms of policies, priorities, planning and operations that affect the performance of the system.

Benchmarks:
To date there is not reliable benchmark information from other cities as the technology deployed in Fort Collins to measure travel times is relatively new. Not many cities are using it yet and reporting methods are not consistent.

To view the entire Dashboard, please visit: [http://fortcollins.clearpointstrategy.com/](http://fortcollins.clearpointstrategy.com/)