

TO: The Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Douglas J. DeBord, County Manager
DATE: August 27, 2024
RE: County Manager Report

- **Douglas County has effectively ended homelessness in its communities - Number of homeless sleeping outside in Douglas County reduced from 43 to 6 in two years ([full story](#))**



Douglas County’s Summer Point-in-Time Count reveals the success of Douglas County Homeless Initiative’s programs including Homeless Engagement, Assistance and Resource Team (HEART), and the “Handouts Don’t Help” Campaign.

What does it take to reduce homelessness in a community? A lot of HEART in action. Two years ago, the Douglas County Homeless Initiative launched [HEART](#) (the Homeless Engagement, Assistance and Resource Team) and the “Handouts Don’t Help” Campaign. Based on the official July 29th Point-in-Time count, Homelessness has functionally ENDED in Douglas County. HEART is a street outreach co-responder model – a navigator paired with law enforcement – which helps ensure public safety and directs those experiencing homelessness to community services with the goal of self-sufficiency.

The “Handouts Don’t Help” campaign has deployed 70 street signs and the use of other marketing across multiple platforms to discourage citizens from handing money out of car windows in the middle of traffic, which isn’t safe for the giver or the receiver. Citizens have listened and are now donating directly to the Douglas County Community Foundation Homeless Relief Fund where citizens can be assured that 100% of the donations, they make are going directly to trusted nonprofits that provide services and supply basic needs to the unhoused.

[Douglas County’s official Summer Point-in-Time \(PIT\) Count revealed the following:](#)

- The number of people sleeping outside has been reduced from 43 in 2022 to six in 2024
- There was a 50% reduction in those living in vehicles and sleeping outside since summer 2023

Douglas County’s Summer PIT Count – an unduplicated count on a single night of the people in a community who are experiencing homelessness – was conducted on the evening of July 29.

Summer PIT data, released on Friday, Aug. 16, also revealed:

- ZERO panhandlers encountered while conducting the Summer PIT
- ZERO encampments of more than 1 individual found

[Watch the news conference from Aug. 16.](#) Learn more about the [Douglas County Homeless Initiative online](#) and [sign up for email updates.](#)

- **Have a question for your County government? Submit it!** New Fact vs Fiction webpage answers your questions and clarifies rumors ([full story](#))

Is the County removing ball fields? Will there be a new regional park in Highlands Ranch? You have questions about your community, and your County government wants to answer them. Visit the new [Fact vs Fiction webpage](#) on Douglas County Government’s website, douglas.co.us. There, you’ll find answers to the most pressing questions you and your neighbors have about your County government. Have a question? [Submit it via a form on the Fact vs Fiction webpage](#). While the form asks for a name and email, neither is required to submit a question. The answer to your question will be posted to the page. If you provide an email, you will be notified when the answer is posted.

Community Development

- **Lone Tree Public Works Open House** - On Saturday, August 3, 2024, staff from the Community Services and HEART joined the City of Lone Tree at their Public Works Open House. Staff was able to promote the work of the HEART with those in attendance. Visitors had a chance to learn more about how the HEART responds to calls from the public and helps people navigate to appropriate resources. The “Handouts Don’t Help” campaign was highlighted as a way for residents to redirect their generosity and provide funds to help agencies that serve the unhoused. A total of 78 individuals stopped by to play Jenga, cornhole, have a sucker, and talk about the impact of the HEART.



- **Strive to Thrive Event** - Strive to Thrive is a bi-annual event hosted by the Community of Care Network. The event is held in January and July of each year. During this event more than 20 agencies and organizations come together to offer a one-stop-shop resource fair for vulnerable residents in Douglas County.

Strive to Thrive was held on July 30, 2024 and hosted by Southeast Christian Church in Parker. The summer event is held in coordination with the Foundation for Douglas County Schools. Children in Douglas County Schools can receive school supplies and other resources families need to help their kids successfully start the school year. There were 25 partner agencies available to serve the 647 attendees and hand out 510 backpacks filled with school supplies. This year's Strive to Thrive event reflects a 33% increase in participation over last year and was the most attended event in the 11-year history of the Summer Strive to Thrive.



- **Older Adult Initiative Roadshows** - Staff from Community Services and Open Space were joined by Commissioner Thomas and representatives from Aging Resources of Douglas County and local provider organizations on August 16 for a lively discussion at The Audrey in Highlands Ranch for the thirteenth Older Adult Initiative Roadshow.

Staff also braved a rainy, muddy road to Deckers on August 9 and were joined by five individuals who came to voice their opinions.

The Older Adult Initiative Roadshows are wrapping up with almost 200 residents attending events in June, July, and August. Many residents have expressed their gratitude for the opportunity to communicate directly with the County and appreciate the initiative's efforts to ensure older adults are being heard and feeling that their needs and perspectives are being acknowledged.

- **2024 Scientific and Cultural Facilities District Grant Funding** - On August 6, 2024, the Board of Douglas County Commissioners approved the Douglas County Cultural Council's recommendations for 2024 Scientific and Cultural Facilities District grant funding. Funds in the amount of \$1,302,123.82 will be allocated for 10 General Operating Support (GOS) grants, which are Douglas County-based organizations, and 51 project-based grants. Funds will provide arts, culture, and scientific opportunities for Douglas County residents.

Planning Services

- **Douglas County History Repository Provides Artifacts for Douglas County Library Exhibits** - Staff and volunteers at the Douglas County History Repository worked in partnership with the Douglas County Libraries for the past few months to provide artifacts for the Libraries' exhibit featuring historic and notable criminal activity in the area. The Repository provided a belt buckle from "Diamond Jack" for display at the Lone Tree Branch. Repository staff also helped organize artifacts owned by the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, including sheriff badges and hats, to be incorporated in the display. The exhibit runs from August 12-September 8 at the Castle Rock, Highlands Ranch, Lone Tree, and Parker Library Branches.



Parks, Trails and Building Grounds

- **Monthly Dog Park Rejuvenation** - Douglas County Parks maintains two Dog Parks, one at Fairgrounds Regional Park and one at Bayou Gulch Regional Park. These facilities are divided in half with fencing. This allows maintenance operations to occur on the closed side to provide the best product possible. Every three to four weeks, Parks staff closes one side of the dog parks and opens the other. The closed side is aerated, over-seeded and top-dressed with compost. The seed typically germinates within seven to fourteen days which allows the grass to establish prior to switching sides again.

Each Dog Park is visited by approximately 200-400 people with dogs a day who appreciate having grass for the dogs to enjoy.



Before



After

- **Park Improvements** - Over time, some materials used in parks need to be replenished. Mulch in planter beds usually lasts two to three years before needing a refresh. Recently, Parks staff top-dressed all the beds at Bayou Gulch Regional Park. Crews Placed almost 70 cubic yards of material throughout the park and the efforts resulted in a much more appealing look to the park.



- **Rueter-Hess Reservoir Updates - Driving Training** - On Thursday, August 8th, three Rueter-Hess rangers attended four hours of driving training and instruction with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office (DCSO). There were three separate courses set up to adequately navigate through utilizing a patrol vehicle supplied by DCSO. The courses varied from slow, highly technical maneuvering to high-speed accuracy and quick decision making. This training instilled confidence through safe driving and handling, and better understanding of the capabilities and parameters of a vehicle.



Public Works

- **Long-term closure of West Frontage Road between Territorial and Tomah roads began Monday, Aug. 19 - Closure part of Town of Castle Rock's interchange project ([full story](#))** *Information Courtesy of the Town of Castle Rock:*



Construction of the Crystal Valley interchange is progressing, with work now underway west of Interstate 25. To build new bridges over I-25 and the BNSF Railway tracks, as well as new I-25 on- and off-ramps, crews will restrict and relocate West Frontage Road traffic through 2025.

As of Monday, Aug. 19, crews closed the section of the West Frontage Road between Territorial and Tomah roads. Local access to businesses and residences along West Frontage Road will remain, but no through traffic will be allowed.

This estimated 18-month closure will allow crews to safely build the new interchange and relocate this portion of the West Frontage Road to its new permanent location, west of the BNSF Railway tracks. [Closure and detour information](#). As work progresses, other portions of West Frontage Road, as well as of Territorial Road, will be relocated onto temporary pavement. Be on the lookout for changing traffic patterns, drive safely and watch for crews working in the area. Roadside signs will provide updates. A portion of the [East Plum Creek Trail](#) near Crystal Valley Parkway and sidewalks along the Crystal Valley Parkway bridge will remain closed through early 2025.

The interchange is a top transportation priority for the Town, and it will improve safety and mobility in the surrounding community and provide a key regional transportation link from I-25 to southern Castle Rock and Douglas County. To join the email list to stay informed about the project's progress, go to CRgov.com/CVI.

This project is a collaborative effort among the Town, Douglas County and the Colorado Department of Transportation. Roundabout and Frontage Road construction east of I-25 is anticipated to be completed in 2025, with total completion of the interchange project anticipated in 2027. To contact the project team with questions, concerns or comments, email CVI@CRgov.com or call [720-733-6097](tel:720-733-6097).

Activities for July 22 – August 9, 2024

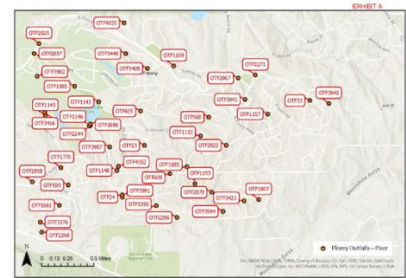
Active Projects

- **US 85 Widening from Highlands Ranch Pkwy to C-470 (Traffic impacts August 23 - 26, 2024):**
 - 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23 – 5:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 26 – See closure map. Southbound US 85 full closure from north of County Line Road to the C-470 bridge. No County Line Road access to or from southbound US 85
 - 3 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 24 – Noon Sunday, Aug. 25 – See closure map. Northbound US 85 full closure at the eastbound C-470 ramp intersection. No northbound US 85 access from eastbound C470 off-ramp. No southbound US 85 access from westbound C-470 off-ramp
 - 3 a.m. to 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 24 - Single lane traffic on eastbound and westbound C-470 between the US 85 off- and on-ramps. There will be no access to or from either direction of US 85 over the weekend.



Please visit the [project webpage](#) for detailed information.

- **Pinery Outfall Repair Project** - Starting July 17, 2024: The Pinery Outfall Repair Project will clean and expose the outfalls that have been located and inspected in the Pinery Subdivision. There are about 40 outfalls that are in poor condition that need cleaning and then repairs. The work being done at this time involves cleaning and exposing the outfalls only, no repairs at this time. Work will be intermittent as crew availability allows. (See map for all locations)



- **Quebec Lincoln University Signal and Intersection Reconstruction Project** – Crews will continue to work on final landscaping, delineator and sign installation. Crews may require intermittent lane closures between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. for these activities. Read more about the project here: [Quebec & University/Lincoln Intersection Project](#)
- **University Boulevard (between Crossland Way and Crosspointe) Small UV CIPP Storm Sewer Lining Project:** Project is on hold/delayed until further notice.

Summary of project: Our contractor will line the storm sewer that goes across the University between Douglas County’s Highlands Heritage Regional Park and HRMD’s Cheese Ranch Historic Park. A section of pipe in HRMD’s Cheese Ranch Historic Park also needs to be excavated and lined. Due to the nature of the maintenance being completed, work hours will extend beyond the normal road closure times.

- **Roxborough Park Road CLOSURE (Closure of the Gravel Road portion between Titan Rd and Waterton Rd)** - Starting on March 26, 2024, there will be a road closure on Roxborough Park Rd for one year (to re-open on March 26, 2025). This closure is for the placement of fill for the improvements on the graveled portion of Roxborough Park Rd. The closure is on Roxborough Park Rd between Waterton Rd and Titan Rd. Detour routes are posted.
- **2024 Neighborhood Sidewalk Repairs** – Traffic impacts will be minimal.
 - In progress: DC Parks Division Projects (started 8/12/24), Lincoln Mtn Open Space 8/7/24), Spruce Mtn Open Space (8/6/24), University at Dad Clark (8/8/24)
 - Coming up: Broadway (TBD)
 - Completed: High Prairie Farms (started and completed on 8/2/) Crystal Valley Pkwy/Lake Gulch Improvements (8/5 - 8/7)
- **2024 Asphalt Overlay Project** - Asphalt Overlay projects have started for 2024. Traffic impacts will be minimal.
 - In progress: Roxborough (started 8/12/24), Furrow Rd (8/14/24)
 - Coming up: Falcon Hills/Red Tail (TBD)
 - Completed: Northridge (7/22-8/8)
- **Traffic Striping** - The Traffic Striping Crew’s typical summer schedule is Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Striping crews are working in the Highlands Ranch neighborhood nighttime hours only.
- **County Line Road and Quebec Street Drainage Improvements** - Construction is scheduled to begin in mid-to-late August of 2024. It is anticipated that the project’s duration will be approximately one week.

Summary of Project: The Southeast Metro Stormwater Authority (SEMSWA), in partnership with the City of Lone Tree and Douglas County, is working with L&M Enterprises Inc. to replace the deteriorated 15” corrugated metal storm sewer that runs north-south across County Line Road at Quebec Street with a new 15” reinforced concrete pipe. The existing pipe has severely degraded and poses a risk to County Line Road.

Traffic Impacts: During construction, periodic lane closures and lane shifts on County Line Road and Quebec Street should be expected. Every effort will be made to minimize traffic impacts; however, there may be some delays on both County Line Road and/or Quebec Street. Message Boards will be placed at the intersection in advance of the work. Use of alternative routes is highly encouraged to minimize delays.

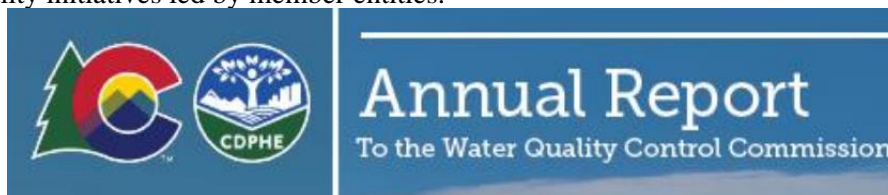
Building

- **Inspections, Permits and Valuations from August 5 – 16, 2024:**

Inspections		
	Building	1151
	Electrical	894
	Mechanical/Plumbing	552
	Roofing	308
Permits		
	Accessory Use	34
	New Commercial	2
	Residential Alteration	1
	New Residential	32
	Roofing	187
Valuations		
	Accessory Use	\$981,949
	Commercial	\$10,699,077
	Residential Alteration	\$906,162
	New Residential	\$10,573,716

Development Review

- **Letters of Credit (LOC) and Warranties**
 - Fully Approved Canyons South Filing 3, Phase 3 - Warranty Acceptance - DV2022-097.
- **Full Term Acceptances** - Compark Village South Filing 1, Peoria/Belford Intersection Improvements - DV2015-039
- **MS4 and Stormwater Matters**
 - **August 21, 2024 Colorado Water Quality Control Commission Meeting:** The Cherry Creek Basin Water Quality Authority and the Chatfield Watershed Authority will each present their annual reports for Water Year 2023. These annual reports convey water quality data, compliance with water quality standards in applicable control regulations, and other relevant information including water quality initiatives led by member entities.



- **August 22, 2024 Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission Meeting:** The Chatfield Watershed Authority will present to the Commission regarding a proposal to seek revenue through a Water Quality User Fee at Chatfield State Park. The Authority would be required to use any revenue from a Water Quality User Fee for projects that are beneficial to water quality, including for projects in the state park.

Traffic

- In Review:
 - Sept. 7th – Repeat event: ETF2024-024 ADA Tour de Cure
 - Sept. 9th – Repeat event: ETF2024-018 Chaparral High School Homecoming Parade
 - Sept. 11th – Repeat event: ETF2024-027 Ponderosa High School Homecoming Parade
 - Sept. 14th – Repeat event: ETF2024-015 Colorado Run for the Fallen
 - Sept. 21st – ETF2024-025: Prospects of Fall Festival
 - Sept. 21st – Repeat event: ETF2024-017 Battle by the Brook
- Approved:
 - 10/05/24 – REPEAT EVENT: ETF2024-020 Sterling Ranch Concert in the Park

[Additional details for Special Event Permits](#)

Open Space and Natural Resources

- **Take the County Parks, Trails, Historic Resources, and Open Space Fund survey today!** Tell your County Commissioners how YOU would prioritize the Fund investment in your community. Online Survey open from Aug. 20 – 27, 2024



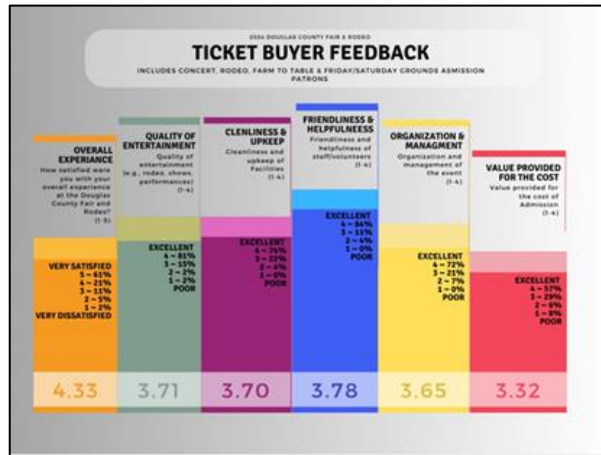
Your opinion matters and Douglas County wants to hear from you regarding your spending priorities for the County's [Parks, Trails, Historic Resources, and Open Space Fund](#), expected to generate nearly \$350 million. Through Tuesday, Aug. 27 visit hrc0020824t.sawtoothsoftware.com to participate in the online-only, confidential survey of Douglas County residents administered by the independent research firm, Hill Research Consultants.

The online survey requires about 15 minutes of your time to complete and is one of the County's many ongoing efforts to engage you in the process of determining spending priorities for the Parks, Trails, Historic Resources, and Open Space Fund. Survey methodology is designed to ensure the best means for reaching a statistically accurate and representative sample of opinion from Douglas County residents, aged 18 and older. Combined results of all interviews will be shared publicly and posted on the County's website in September. No individual responses will be shared.

Facilities, Fleet and Emergency Support Services

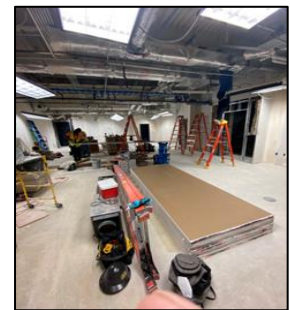
Douglas County Fairgrounds and James R. Sullivan Events Center

- **Fairgrounds Events (recent past and near future):** Pre-Celebration of Life, Plum Creek Kennel Club, 4-H Goat Workout, Taste of Douglas County, Human Services Workshop, Honor Guard, Ducks Unlimited, Rocky Mountain Book and Paper Fair, Wester Dressage Event, GOP Breakfast, McAllister Wedding, Farmers Market, Elite K-9, BMW Classic Parking, Classical Horse Club, Rocky Mountain Koi Fish, JCI Safety Meeting, Escobedo Quince, Mom's Consignment Sale, Touch-A-Truck
- **Fair & Rodeo:**
 - Fair Board Meeting: 8/22
 - Fair 2024 Wrap-Up: Ticket Revenue; Sponsorship; 4-H Livestock Sale, Volunteer Recruitment, very positive ticket buyer feedback



Facilities (County-wide)

- **Elections:** Roof re-coat project – 40% completed (pictured)
- **Justice Center:**
 - Patrol Furniture Capital Project - 96% complete
 - Clerk of Courts Phase III & IV - 94% complete, Phase V – 93% complete
 - Clerk of the Courts Office Renovation - 100% complete
 - DA’s remodel – 45% complete (pictured)
- **Louviers:**
 - New custom handrail and wood repairs – 100% complete (pictured)
 - Entry points wood replacements – 10% complete
- **Miller:**
 - Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) Project - 80% complete
- **Parks and Trails:**
 - 2nd Floor Training Room – 10% complete
- **PW Ops:**
 - Fleet garage operator replacement - 100% complete
 - Fleet office remodel for Assistant Supv, Heavy Duty Mechanic and locker room – 95% complete



Fleet

- **Fleet Acquisitions:**
 - 2022 Asset Replacements & ADDs (103 Assets)
 - Budgeted – 1 at upfitter, 65 received
 - Additional/Unbudgeted (33) – 2 at upfitter, 31 received
 - Risk Management Replacements – 1 at upfitter, 3 received
 - 2023 Asset Replacements & ADDs (72 Assets)
 - Budgeted (61) – 11 at upfitter, 50 received
 - Additional/Unbudgeted (9) – 9 received
 - Risk Management Replacements (2) - 2 received
 - 2024 Asset Replacements & ADDs (93 assets)
 - Budgeted (79) – 15 in process, 47 P.O.d; 7 at upfitter, 10 received
 - Additional/Unbudgeted (11) – 4 in process, 7 received
 - Risk Management Replacement (3) – 1 P.O.’d, 2 received

• **Recently Completed:**

- In Serviced units 2304, 2312 and 24007.
- Concrete panel replacements on the north side of Fleet Services. (Pictured)
- All HEART team vehicles are now in service.
- Received new column lifts for the Parker heavy-duty shop. (Pictured)



- **Working on:**
 - Fuel site management software upgrade.
 - 2024 Budget Acquisitions specs/quotes.
 - Four units remaining to be spec'd and P.O.'d.
 - 11 Lease Renewals
 - Auctioning surplus Open Space and Public Works operations assets.
 - Trello, project management software implementation.
 - 2025 fleet budget submittal adjustments.
 - Fleet pool vehicle parking area.

Safety and Security/Emergency Support Services:

- Fire Drills will start taking place this week. Please check with your ERC on your designated evacuation point.
- Added cameras to OEM Fire Helicopter location.
- Added card reader and lock to Elections new outside gate.
- JC L Pod cell cameras have been installed.

Office of Emergency Management (OEM):

- OEM is currently staffing the EOC at level 3 through Sunday, 8/25, supporting the BMW Golf Championship in Castle Pines.

Information Technology

- **Completed IT Projects/Initiatives**
 - **County Fair Support** - The IT Department collaborated with Facilities to deliver essential support for the recent Douglas County Fair, ensuring seamless operations and optimal utilization of technology. The IT Support staff contributions encompassed a range of responsibilities, including the establishment and upkeep of computer systems, network infrastructure, and Wi-Fi accessibility. Furthermore, the team promptly addressed any arising technical challenges, cultivating a favorable experience for both event organizers and attendees.
 - **County Board of Equalization/Alfresco Replacement Project** - The County Board of Equalization (CBOE) application went live on August 16, 2024. This application is a critical application that is used to manage appeals for citizens who disagree with the Assessor's Notice of Determination. The project team successfully migrated the application to a supported platform including using SharePoint for document management, with plans to decommission Alfresco later this year. This upgrade enhances support capabilities, reduces security risks, increases team efficiency, and frees up valuable on-premises resources, ensuring a more modern and secure application environment.

- **New IT Projects/Initiatives**

Project Name/ Initiative	Project Description	Department/Office
Fleet Fuel Veeder Root Upgrade	Upgrade the unsupported Veeder Root fuel system to a new fuel management system, improving the operational effectiveness and resilience of the county’s fleet services.	Facilities
Motor Vehicle Data Warehouse	This phase of the data warehouse project consolidates data from the Motor Vehicle division’s data sources into a single location, allowing the division to generate reports and dashboards via PowerBI. Project outcomes are to improve efficiency and service levels of motor vehicle services, create performance standards for staff, and enable the ability to report data to internal and external stakeholders.	Clerk & Recorder
WorkSMART Budget/Finance	As part of the JDE replacement program, our goal is to streamline business processes and improve data accuracy through efficient data entry and integration across systems. This project aims to modernize the County’s outdated finance, accounting, budget, and procurement processes by implementing a modern ERP system.	Enterprise
IT Support for the 2024 General Election	To provide technical support to ensure a secure, efficient, and smooth voting process.	Elections

- **Current IT Projects/Initiatives**

Project Name/ Initiative	Project Description	Department/Office
Tax Roll Quality Improvements 2024	Enhance efficiency and accuracy in executing Tax Roll and Test Tax Roll activities while minimizing reliance on the custom Tax Roll application.	Assessor, Treasurer, Budget
CJMS Replacement	The CJMS System will be replaced with the Harris Pre-Trial 360 system, including the Socrates smartphone app, to increase communications, compliance, and public safety. The new system will be implemented and ready for the new Judicial District 23.	Community Justice Services
Cohero Reimplementation	Configure the current case management system to enable the Coroner’s Office to leverage reporting, PowerBI, and GIS capabilities.	Coroner’s Office
WorkSMART HR/Payroll	As part of the JDE replacement program, our goal is to streamline business processes and improve data accuracy through efficient data entry and integration across systems. This project focuses on implementing a Human Capital Management platform to comprehensively monitor and enhance the entire employee lifecycle.	Enterprise
Next Generation SharePoint/Teams Pilot	Modernize how our employees utilize Microsoft 365 tools like Teams, SharePoint, and OneDrive.	Community Development & Human Services
User Provisioning & Deprovisioning	This project will improve and streamline the provisioning and de-provisioning process for new hires and terminations. The project will create documented processes and asset tracking and identify standards and owners for the different aspects of the process.	Countywide
DA23 Network Infrastructure	Douglas County IT will establish and manage IT infrastructure and support services before a newly elected District Attorney assumes office in January 2025.	23 rd District Attorney

DA23 Conference Room AV	A new conference room is being equipped with an AV system tailored to meet the specific needs of DA23 and transform the office space into the new headquarters for the DA23 office.	23 rd District Attorney
DA23 Domain & Core Compute	Design and build the required base level Domain and Core Compute infrastructure following Douglas County architecture, security, and technology standards for DA23 Office standup by 1/1/2025.	23 rd District Attorney
DA23 End Points	Design and build the required net new base level End Points and support infrastructure following Douglas County architecture, security, and technology standards that enable a new 23rd District Attorney office standup by 1/1/2025.	23 rd District Attorney
DA23 – Onsite IT Support	Providing supplemental support to the DA18 staff at the Justice Center throughout the transition while preparing to take over full support for the DA23 in January.	23 rd District Attorney
DA23 Apps	To discover, catalog, validate, contract/procure, set up, and determine the required level of ownership and support for all applications required by the new DA23 office including business domain-specific applications and DC enterprise applications.	23 rd District Attorney
DA23 Website coda23.gov	Establish a new 23rd District Attorney website.	23 rd District Attorney
DA23 Finance	To set up and onboard the new DA23 office onto Douglas County’s ERP JDE system, including financial and business processes.	District Attorney, Finance, Budget, Admin, Attorney, Treasurer, Facilities

Communications and Public Affairs

Campaign Highlights (Completed July 1 – Aug. 15)

- **Property Tax Relief Checks** - Douglas County property owners receive a historic \$37.8 million in tax relief – about \$200 per residential property



In 2023, Douglas County homeowners experienced the largest increase in home values in state history. While property value reassessment is a state-controlled process, the Board of Douglas County Commissioners acted at the local level to mitigate this impact, including a reduction in Douglas County’s share of your property tax bill. Relief checks were mailed to property owners in July.

Communication Objectives:

- Proactively answer common questions about the relief checks
- Educate property owners about their property tax bill

Target Audience: Property owners in Douglas County

Key Messages:

- Relief checks were mailed Friday, July 12, to the address of record for every property in Douglas County. Checks are expected to arrive in mailboxes the week of July 15.
- To receive a check, you (or your mortgage company) must have paid the property tax bill by the deadline. Checks are being mailed directly to property owners, not mortgage companies.
- Deposit or cash your check by Dec. 1, 2024. After that, uncashed checks will be credited toward property taxes to be paid in 2025.

- The relief check represents about 19% of Douglas County’s portion of your property tax bill (not your total property tax bill.) Average checks will be about \$200, depending on the actual amount paid to Douglas County. To see details about this calculation for your property, visit douglas.co.us/assessor.
- In partnership with the Assessor’s Office and the Budget Division, Communication and Public Affairs launched a digital campaign, including organic social media, an online newsroom story, emails, and web updates.

Campaign Results:

- 8,745 unique visits to our online newsroom story
- 28,580 impressions, 63 reactions, 89 comments on Nextdoor
- 4,199 impressions and 675 engagements on Facebook
- 1,165 views on X
- 11,979 email recipients to those signed up for property tax updates, with a 45% open rate (industry average for government emails is a 30% open rate)
- 7,483 visits to the web page
- [Denver Gazette Story](#)

- **University/Lincoln and Quebec: Final Report**



The intersection of University/Lincoln and Quebec was built more than 40 years ago, and now, a project to rebuild and reconfigure the full intersection is complete.

Communication Objective: Foster safe construction through proactive communication with target audiences.

Target Audiences: Area residents, HRCAs, HRMDs, area businesses, Highlands Ranch commuters, Lone Tree commuters, first responders, schools, churches, businesses

Key Messages:

- A safe and accessible transportation system is a priority for your Board of Douglas County Commissioners.
- Highlands Ranch was built in the 1980s, so, though well-maintained, the road infrastructure is reaching the end of its expected lifespan. The County is proactively upgrading high-traffic intersections, including the intersection of University/Lincoln and Quebec.
- During construction, please plan on traffic delays and detours. Business and residential access will be maintained, but you may have to enter your property in a new way temporarily. Check your map app before traveling through this intersection.
- Stay updated by [signing up for emails](#).
- Sign up for text updates about this project by texting ‘QLUnews’ to 21000 for information about unexpected delays, extended lane closures and other important project impacts.
- Everyone’s safety is top priority. Please abide by the posted speed limits, watch for narrower travel lanes and traffic shifts, put down your cell phone, and pay extra attention while driving through the construction zone.

In partnership with Public Works, Communication and Public Affairs sustained a public information program throughout the project (June 2023-July 2024), using digital and traditional communication tactics, including project emails, web updates, text alerts, videos, earned media, paid social media, organic social media, coordination with communication partners at other organizations (municipalities, law enforcement, churches and schools), and on-foot business outreach (completed by the contractor.)

Program Results:

For June 1, 2023 – July 31, 2024

- Newsroom visits: 12,585 across 8 news releases
 - 22 posts with a total 322,407 impressions and 58 reactions on Nextdoor
 - 39 posts with a total 264,169 impressions and 12,671 engagements on Facebook
 - 25 posts with a total 42,298 views on X
 - MailChimp: 18 emails to targeted Cone Zone list, 126,603 recipients, 53% average open rate (industry average open rate for government is 30%)
 - Website visits: 18,726
 - 798 text alert subscribers
 - 23 total earned television media clips with a local audience of 26,291 and total local publicity value of \$11,576.
 - Total online and print audience of 4,050,972. Total online and print publicity value of \$78,934
 - 528 video views
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- The number of people sleeping outside has been reduced from 43 in 2022 to six in 2024
- There was a 50% reduction in those living in vehicles and sleeping outside since summer 2023
- Zero panhandlers encountered while conducting the Summer Point-in-Time
- Zero encampments of more than one individual found

The Point-in-Time count is an unduplicated count on a single night of the people in a community who are experiencing homelessness. Douglas County's summer count was conducted on the evening of July 29. The results were released publicly on Aug. 16.

Communication Objective: With our partners, celebrate the success of HEART and the Handouts Don't Help Campaign, by releasing Summer Point-in-Time data.

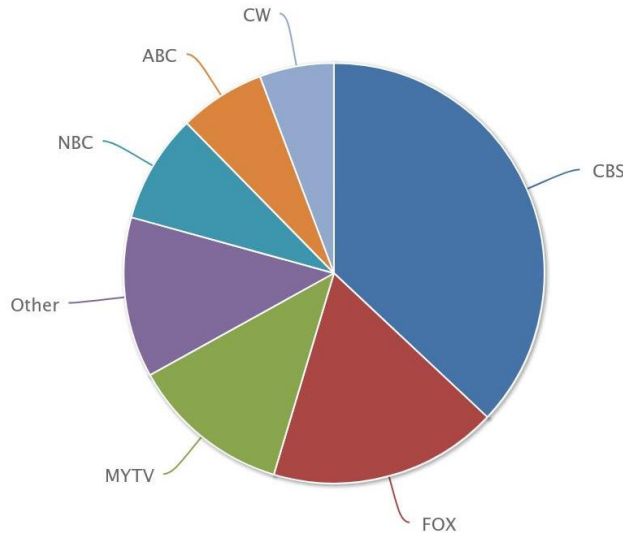
The Board of Douglas County Commissioners and the partners of the Douglas County Homeless Initiative released the findings from the Summer Point-in-Time count on Aug. 16. Communication and Public Affairs led the outreach effort with an integrated communication campaign that included earned media (press conference), paid social media, organic social media, emails to target audiences, a fact sheet for partners and the press, and website update.


Campaign Results:

- 3,678 visits to online newsroom story
- 14,871 impressions, 17 reactions, 44 comments on Nextdoor
- 2,981 impressions and 765 engagements on Facebook
- 1,459 views on X
- MailChimp: 11,505 recipients, 39% open rate
- Website visits: 18
- 13 earned media stories with total local viewership of 155,288 and local market publicity value of \$16,794

- **Monthly Media Mentions** - From July 17-Aug. 20, Douglas County (including references to Douglas County deputies) was mentioned in television news 227 times, mostly on CBS and Fox. (See Marketshare Chart below.)

Generally, coverage was of the Fair & Rodeo, University/Lincoln and Quebec construction, the Eagle Scout project for the Sheriff’s Office, the migrant bus law and the proposed batch plant near Louviers.



July 2024	Audience	Growth	Audience Characteristics
	219,756 members	.8% increase from June 2024	Residents who use Nextdoor and live in Douglas County are automatically subscribed to our agency feed. Government agencies are one of only a few types of organizations that can have a business presence, and we are able to geo-locate messages by neighborhood. About 86% of households in Douglas County are represented in these followers, according to the platform. Top growing neighborhoods: Lone Tree, Roxborough, Castle Pines Parkway, Stonegate
	9,079 average post impressions	20% decrease from June 2024	
			July Top Posts: Tax relief check, Code Red, ULQ Overnight signal work, CO67 in Sedalia impacts



14,675
followers

.7%
increase
from
June
2024

4.4%
engagement

7% increase
from June
2024

X (formerly Twitter) does not provide demographic data for account followers. According to research by HootSuite, 62.9% of users in 2024 are male. Studies show that X popularity is rapidly growing in the Gen Z demographic. We have a significant following of media outlets and reporters as well as other local agencies and organizations.

July Top X's: Extended closure of Town Center at US 85, ULQ Intersection work, Your Property Check is in the Mail, CodeRed



25,792
Followers

1.6%
increase
from
June
2024

5.5%
engagement

62% increase
from June
2024

According to Sprout Social information, women between ages 35 and 55 have the most potential to see our information. The majority of our followers live in Castle Rock.

As of April 2024, Facebook changed the way it measures engagement. This deprecated the following page-level metrics: comments; shares; answers; event RSVPs. This is likely why we see a significant decrease in engagement this month.

[Facebook Metric Deprecations April 2024 – Sprout Social Support](#)

July Top Posts: Extended closure of Town Center at US 85, University/Lincoln and Quebec Impact, University/Lincoln and Quebec gratitude post, Rueter-Hess



1,814
subscribers
Our videos were viewed 7,941 times in June with 539 hours watched.

1.6% increase in
subscribers from
June 2024

YouTube was the most popular social media site in 2021. Nearly everyone in every age, income and education demographic has used it. Most of our viewers are between 35 and 44 years old, (though 10% were 65 or older). Viewers were about equally women and men.

July Top videos: Chris Janson kicks off the 2024 Rodeo, Signs of Suicide, Experience 4H, Hayman Fire



2,599
followers

1.3%
increase from
June
2024

5.8%
engagement

7% decrease
from June
2024

According to Sprout Social information, women between ages 35 and 55 have the most potential to see our information. 60% of our followers are in Douglas County.

July Top posts: Wildlife Watch Beavers, Douglas County Parks, Fair and Rodeo Concert



5,906 followers

.6% increase from June 2024

More than half (57%) of our followers are in the Greater Denver area. Another 4% are in Colorado Springs. Most of our followers, according to Sprout Social, are either entry-level or senior employees. The top five fields are operations, business development, IT, Community/Social Services and Sales.

7.1% engagement

9% decrease from June 2024

July Top posts: Celebrating Douglas County Parks, You're invited to Honor Former Commissioner Partridge (2 posts *this month*)



Emails

16,050 subscribers

1.3% increase from June 2024

Mailchimp is our email marketing provider, and demographic data is not provided. Our email audience is highly engaged with our emails. Our open rate averages well above the industry average open rate for government of 30% provided by Mailchimp. Email subscribers may select interests from a provided list, and we are able to target emails by topic.

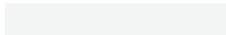
July Top emails: US 85 Weekly Updates, Homeless Committee Meetings, July Traffic Alert, Older Adult Roadshows

Open Rate: 43%



Paid Social Ads

3 Boosted Posts on Facebook



In March 2024, we ended our contract with Colorado Community Newspapers print and online editions (Castle Pines, Lone Tree, Highlands Ranch, Parker and Castle Rock.)

We are in the process of developing a social media advertising strategy, along with per-issue grassroots campaigns.

In July, we boosted five posts for a total cost of \$84.99

Topics: Fair and Rodeo Volunteering: \$0.11 per engagement, US 85 Closure: \$0.08 per engagement, Fair and Rodeo Concert: \$0.25 per engagement



Website

468,311 Sessions (visits to any page on the site)

24% decrease from June 2024

In partnership with content editors across the organization, we maintain douglas.co.us.

During July, the most visited webpages were the Assessor's webpage, the homepage and Department of Motor Vehicles and Drivers Licenses.

The average engagement time was 53 seconds (double of June).



Online Newsroom

22,781 views on stories posted in July

47% increase from June 2024

There were 10 newsroom posts in June that had a total of 20,733 readers.

July Top Stories: Property Tax Check in Mail, Stage 2 Fire Restrictions, Closure of Town Center Drive.

Commissioner Work Sessions – August 12, 2024

- **Parks, Trails, Historic Resources and Open Space Funding Request Process Updates** – The purpose of this work session was to present the various requests received for the PTHROS Sales Tax funding that have been submitted to date. The Commissioners gave direction to staff on what projects to take back to their respective Boards to be vetted and scored - to be resubmitted to the Commissioners for final review and decisions. Full review not completed due to time constraints and will be continued to next week.
- **Economic Development Incentives** – The Douglas County EDC Director presented an overview of a proposed Business Development Incentive Program to the Board for discussion and direction. The overview included criteria for: job creation and retention, capital infrastructure improvements, targeted industries, rapid response, business and personal, property tax rebate, and office loan and lease programs. Comparisons with what other counties, municipalities and the state offer were part of the presentation for reference. An update on the status of the website and marketing plan was also presented.
Motion – Approve the incentive package provided by Director Reynolds. Passes 2-1. Thomas opposed.
- **Natural Medicine Facility Regulation** – In response to SB23-290 – Natural Medicine Regulation and Legalization, and the rulemaking process related to local control by the County, staff briefed the Board on the background and permitting process. The County cannot prohibit the uses but enables it to regulate time, place, and manner of the operation of natural medicine related facilities. Existing zoning regulations include use categories that may be applied to these facilities and discussion was had. Discussion included how other counties and municipalities have implemented the licensure and regulation of the facilities, limiting them to the industrial zoned areas, buffering from municipalities, requesting more information and feedback from the Health Department about the success of this drug treatment, and enforcement by Fire and Sheriff. Timeline to have these regulations in place is end of December 2024. Staff will get more information and draft regulations to bring back to the Board at a later date.
- **Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Regulatory Approach** – This discussion was introduced to the Board in February 2024 and the Board directed staff to bring back a regulatory framework to potentially allow ADUs in the County’s traditional zone districts. Since then HB24-1152 was adopted and the discussion included staff’s assessment of the legislation and presented draft revisions to the Zoning Resolution where ADUs could be expanded for opportunities in all residential zone districts, taking into consideration infrastructure restrictions for water, sewer, increased traffic, etc. Lengthy discussion ensued and feedback was provided.
Motion – Direct staff to work on the regulatory changes as presented and discussed and bring back for further discussion. Passes 3-0.

- **Sheriff’s Office Updates – Executive Session – No Notes**

Commissioner Work Session – August 13, 2024

- **Legal Updates – Executive Session – No Notes**
Motion #1 – Direct Legal staff to update Ordinance 023-002 and all associated laws and regulations in the County to reflect the new Supreme Court jurisprudence and that the County Attorney to work with his municipal colleagues to ensure uniformity in the most efficient way throughout the County Passes 3-0.
Motion #2 – Direct the County Attorney in addition the memo he provided to the Board to do a legal audit with relation to open meetings, gifts, actions taken against fellow Commissioners on a punitive level associated with our policy manual and any other issues that would be relevant to the discussion we had. Then provide a legal memo and any advice to the Board with regard to addressing those issues confirming whether or not they were legal. Passes 3-0.

Commissioner Work Sessions – August 19, 2024

- Parks, Trails, Historic Resources and Open Space Funding Request Process (Continued)** – The review of the requests continued for direction on the Historic Resources requests and remaining Parks submittals. All requests will now be heard by the respective Boards. Staff informed the Board that future requests will be presented to the Commissioners as received to avoid future back log.
- Update on Temporary Signs on Vacant County-Owned Properties Pilot** – Staff presented an overview of the program including number and locations of permits issued, unpermitted signs placed, and complaints received about the signs. Commissioners Teal and Laydon supported the program and determined that it should be continued, with some minor changes recommended by staff.
Motion – Continue Pilot Project from September 10 through November 15 in support of free speech zones. Passes 2-1. Thomas opposed.
- 2024 Fair & Rodeo After-Action Discussion** - A thorough recap of the Fair and Rodeo activities was presented. Commissioners provided feedback on their experiences and what they heard from attendees. Several improvements were discussed for next year and there was a request to meet more frequently to discuss the ideas/plans as they move forward.
- Potential Biomass Processing Opportunity** – Staff made a presentation on the opportunity that has been presented to and supported by the Wildfire Action Collaborative. Presentation included; background, targeted material, process, use of the by-product, as well as the benefits, existing users and facilities, possible locations for a County facility, estimated costs and revenue potential. Lengthy discussion was had on the pros and cons, vendors, environmental considerations, potential public private partnerships, and necessary changes to County zoning regulations.
Motion #1 – Direct Planning staff to explore where it would be appropriate to allow a use by right in select zoning districts to be presented to the Board for consideration of a change to the zoning regulations.
Motion #2 – Direct staff to work with potential partners (federal, state, or private business) to further the concept of establishing a biomass processing operation in Douglas County. Passes 3-0.

Planning Services Activity Report

Completed Projects					
Dist.	Date	Project Title	Project Description	Project Type	Project No.
1	08/07/24	Avalon Bay Filing 1, Lot 1, Tract A	Referral request from the Town of Parker for a site plan for 309 multifamily units, landscape, park area, and open space.	External Referral	RE2024-093
2	08/07/24	Chateau Valley	Referral request - Town of Castle Rock for 423 residential units on 113 acres.	External Referral	RE2024-091
3	08/08/24	Sterling Ranch Filing 5C, Lot 2	Construction of a multi-family residential development of 264 apartment units.	Site Imp Plan	SP2023-076
2	08/09/24	Castleton Center Filing 2, Lot LI-10, 1st Revision, 1st Mod	Request for facade changes to commercial building.	SIP Modification	SP2024-061
1	08/13/24	10002 B Heather Dr, 3rd Revision	New personal wireless communication facility to be collocated on XCEL tower (Dish Wireless).	SIP Revision	SP2024-013
3	08/13/24	7251 Main St	Town of Castle Rock and DWSD request a sewer lift station and force main to serve the Louviers community.	Location and Extent	LE2024-007
2	08/14/24	Gaillardia Dr, Sinclair Blvd, Varka Ct, Harebell Dr, Verbena Dr, Senecio Dr, Harebell Cir, Blue	Request to vacate various roads within Meribel Village Filing 1.	Roadway Vacation	SB2023-043

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		Flax Dr Meribel Village			
3	08/14/24	Solstice Filing 5	Technical Plat Correction for an error in dimensions of Lots 115 and 148.	Administrative Replat	SB2024-044
	08/16/24	Minor Use by Special Review - Thunder Hill ADU	Referral from Elbert County for a Minor Use by Special Review application for a ADU Structure.	External Referral	RE2024-099
	08/16/24	Use by Special Review - Heartland Pines Wedding Venue	Referral from Elbert County for a Use by Special Review application for a wedding venue.	External Referral	RE2024-098
1	08/16/24	Looking Glass Filing 20	Referral from the Town of Parker for a final plat to create 84 lots.	External Referral	RE2024-097
2	08/19/24	Three Pine Ridge	Request to vacate multiple lot lines to create 3 new buildable lots with a new subdivision name.	Administrative Replat	SB2023-042

Referrals

<u>Dist.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Project Type</u>	<u>Project No.</u>
2	07/25/24	Pinery Filing 24B, Lot 24	Request for a residential building envelope adjustment.	Administrative Replat	SB2024-040
1	08/01/24	Ponderosa Summit, Lot 3	Request to adjust residential building envelope.	Administrative Replat	SB2024-042
3	08/20/24	13059 N US Hwy 85, 3rd Revision	Request to add additional facilities at existing vet clinic.	SIP Revision	SP2024-020

Upcoming PC Hearings

<u>Dist.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Project Type</u>	<u>Project No.</u>
3	09/09/24	River Canyon Filing 2, 4 th Amendment	Request for 8 single family residential lots.	Minor Dev Residential	SB2024-019
2	09/09/24	Oak Bluff Preliminary Plan	Request for 21 single family residential lots. <i>(Continued from 8/19/24)</i>	Preliminary Plan	SB2019-038
2	09/09/24	Sundown Preliminary Plan	Request for 17 single family residential lots. <i>(Continued from 8/19/24)</i>	Preliminary Plan	SB2019-046

Upcoming BCC Land Use Hearings or Meetings

<u>Dist.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Project Type</u>	<u>Project No.</u>
	08/27/24	2024 Private Activity Bond Cap Allocation Assignment	Request for approval of the assignment of Douglas County's Private Activity Bond Cap Allocation of \$14,547,531 to the Douglas County Housing Partnership for attainable multi-family housing projects.	Private Activity Bond	
	08/27/24	Strong Communities Grant Agreement	Request for approval of the IGA between Douglas County and the State of Colorado in Amount of \$1,110,000.	Grant IGA	
3	08/27/24	River Canyon Planned Development 11 th Amd	Request to amend the River Canyon Planned Development to reconfigure golf course, residential, and open space planning areas.	Planned Development - Major Amd	ZR2024-009
3	08/27/24	River Canyon Filing 2, 4 th Amendment	Request for approval of a plat for 8 single family residential lots. <i>(to be continued to 9/10/24)</i> .	Minor Development Residential	SB2024-019
3	08/27/24	Kendrick Castillo Way, 1st Amendment	Request to rename Lucent Blvd to Kendrick Castillo Way.	Replat	SB2024-016
3	08/27/24	Sterling Ranch Filing 5C, 1 st Amendment	Request for development of 109 attached townhome lots.	Minor Development	SB2024-002
3	09/10/24	Arrowhead Colorado Metropolitan District	New Service Plan for Arrowhead Colorado Metro District. (Meeting to set hearing date)	New Service Plan	SV2024-002

Dist.	Date	Project Title	Project Description	Project Type	Project No.
2	09/10/24	Fee Waiver for American Radio Relay League	Request for a fee waiver of \$525 to host their annual Amateur Radio Relay League Field Day at Rueter-Hess Reservoir	Fee Waiver	
2	09/10/24	Perry Park Filing 1, 14 th Amendment	Request to subdivide a residential lot into 3 lots.	Replat	SB2024-024
2	09/10/24	Pine Canyon Planned Development	Planned Development rezoning to develop 540 acres for residential and community use.	Rezoning - Planned Dev	ZR2020-010
3	09/10/24	County Line Storage Planned Development	Rezone from A-1 and GI to a PD (<i>to be continued to 9/24/24</i>).	Rezoning - Planned Dev	ZR2021-004
3	09/10/24	River Canyon Filing 2, 4 th Amendment	Request for 8 single family residential lots. (<i>Continued from 8/27/24</i>)	Minor Dev Residential	SB2024-019
2	09/24/24	Village at Bear Dance Exemption, 6 th Amd	Adjust existing tract and residential lot to create a small fiber utility hut.	Exemption	EX2022-009
3	09/24/24	Arrowhead Colorado Metropolitan District	New Service Plan for Arrowhead Colorado Metropolitan District.	New Service Plan	SV2024-002
2	09/24/24	Oak Bluff Preliminary Plan	Request for 21 single family residential lots.	Preliminary Plan	SB2019-038
2	09/24/24	Sundown Preliminary Plan	Request for 17 single family residential lots.	Preliminary Plan	SB2019-046
2	09/24/24	Pinery Planned Development 31 st Amd	Increase dwelling units in PA 63 for future development of up to 45 residential lots.	Planned Dev - Major Amd	ZR2023-002
3	09/24/24	County Line Storage Planned Development	Rezone from A-1 and General Industrial to a Planned Development.	Rezoning - Planned Dev	ZR2021-004

Pre-submittals

Dist.	Date	Project Title	Project Description	Project Type	Project No.
1	08/07/24	7165 N Delbert Rd	Create a new 15-acre parcel on the west side of property for a home.	Minor Dev Residential	PS2024-162
3	08/07/24	Chatfield Urban Area CMP Amd	Changes to Chatfield Urban Area and Louviers Rural Community boundaries to include the Waterton Business Park.	CMP Amendment	PS2024-157
2	08/08/24	Sage Port Filing 2, Block 6, Lot 8	Change the name of Poncho Road.	Administrative Replat	PS2024-164
1	08/14/24	Meridian Office Park Filing 1, 21 st Amd, Block 20, Lot 2A1 & 25 th Amd, Block 20, Lot 4A	The applicant proposes a Lot Line and Subdivision Boundary Adjustment between Lots 4A and 2A1.	Administrative Replat	PS2024-137

New Applications

Dist.	Date	Project Title	Project Description	Project Type	Project No.
2	08/07/24	922 D Pawnee Trail, 7 th Revision, 5 th Mod	Eligible Facilities Request. T-Mobile to replace antennas on existing cell site.	SIP Modification	SP2024-063
1	08/08/24	Cottonwood Commercial Filing 1, Amendment 9, Lot 2	Referral request from the Town of Parker for a minor amendment to the site plan to add a free-standing walk-up ATM.	External Referral	RE2024-100
1	08/08/24	Parker and Pine 2, Lot 1	Referral request from the Town of Parker for an initial condo plat for Buildings 1 and 2.	External Referral	RE2024-101
3	08/08/24	Solstice Filing 5	Technical Plat Correction for an error in dimensions of Lots 115 and 148	Administrative Replat	SB2024-044
	08/09/24	Monument Ridge East, Rezoning (RM12)	Referral request from El Paso County for rezoning 40.51 acres to the RM-12 (Residential Multi-Dwelling) zoning district.	External Referral	RE2024-103
1	08/09/24	Parker and Pine 2, Lot 3	Referral request from the Town of Parker for an initial condo plat for Buildings 1, 2 and 4.	External Referral	RE2024-102

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1	08/13/24	Tallman Gulch Metro Dist, 2nd Amd	2nd Amendment to the Tallman Gulch Metro District Service Plan.	Material Modification	SV2024-003
1	08/14/24	13682 E N State Hwy 83, 6th Amd, 7th Mod	Eligible Facilities Request. Verizon Wireless to replace antennas and RRU's on cell tower.	SIP Modification	SP2024-064
	08/16/24	7880 Platte Canyon Rd - Preliminary	Referral request - Jefferson County to use their portion of the parcel as access, open space, and parking for the community.	External Referral	RE2024-104
	08/16/24	Elora - Final Plat (2)	Referral request - Elbert County for the 2 nd round submittal of the Elora PUD Final Plat.	External Referral	RE2024-105
2	08/16/24	Metzler Ranch Lot 2H Filing 3, 1st Amendment	Referral request - Town of Castle Rock for a new 2,824 sf convenience store and fuel canopy with 6 MPDs (12 fueling positions).	External Referral	RE2024-107

New Sign Permits					
<u>Dist.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Project Type</u>	<u>Project No.</u>
3	08/08/24	Highlands Ranch Filing 141, 10 th Amd, 4C-1A	Natural Grocers - 9315 Dorchester St Unit #100	Sign Permit	SG2024-101 & 2024-102
3	08/16/24	Highlands Ranch Filing 118M, Lot 4	Bellco Credit Union - 2219 W Wildcat Reserve Pkwy.	Sign Permit	SG2024-103 - 2024-106

Liquor Licenses					
<u>Dist.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>License Type</u>	<u>Business Name & Address</u>	<u>License No.</u>	
3	08/15/24	Beer & Wine	Dave's Hot Chicken - 1601 Mayberry Dr Unit #104.	LL2024-056	

Special Event Liquor Permits					
<u>Dist.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event Name</u>	<u>Permittee Name & Event Address</u>	<u>Permit No.</u>	
3	07/31/24	US Open Tennis Mixer	Highlands Ranch Community Assoc - 8800 S Broadway	LL2024-052	
2	08/12/24	Camp Bettie	Bad Bettie Project - 8716 Y Camp Rd.	LL2024-054	
3	08/12/24	Halloween with Horses and Christmas Market	Zuma's Rescue Ranch - 7745 Moore Rd.	LL2024-053	
3	08/12/24	Oktoberfest Celebration	HRCAA (Highlands Ranch Cultural Affairs Association) - 9288 Dorchester St.	LL2024-055	
3	08/19/24	Sip and Solve	Friends of the Highlands Ranch Senior Center - 3280 Redstone Park Cir	LL2024-057	

Engineering Services Local Improvement District Activities

<p>Spring Canyon LID (Group 2) CI 2023-019 - 70 lot owners who are interested in grading, water, and sanitary sewer infrastructure, storm sewer infrastructure, aggregate base course, curb & gutter, hot mix asphalt, and erosion control as the major construction items.</p>	<p>May 12, 2023 – Lot Owners have ordered a Utility Study August 8, 2023 - Initial scoping meeting held October 30, 2023 – BCC Work Session January 30, 2024 – PW Staff has completed review of financial feasibility March 4, 2024 - A work session took place, and the BCC has decided they will not contribute financially to the LIDs but will allow the LID projects to move to the petition phase for the residents. April 29, 2024 – 74 Petitions mailed to property owners to determine interest in continuing with the LID process. June 3, 2024 - 54 of the 52 required petitions were returned June 18, 2024 – Work session with Board of County Commissioners July 9, 2024 – Regular Business Meeting to consider Preliminary Order Resolution to create LID and accept petitions.</p>
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	<p>Certified letters were sent to all 74 property owners notifying them of the upcoming Public Hearing. The legal notice appeared in the Douglas County News Press on July 18, 2024.</p> <p>Next: A Public Hearing will be held on 8/27/2024 to create LID and set TABOR election question (Election is held in November).</p>
<p>2023 Bannock Drive LID - 41 lot owners who in the Perry Park West region on Bannock Dr east of Cheyenne Dr, along Quivas Rd, and Delaware Dr southwest of Elati Rd. If approved, the LID project would consist of grading, water, and sanitary sewer infrastructure, storm sewer infrastructure, aggregate base course, curb & gutter, hot mix asphalt, and erosion control as the major construction items.</p>	<p>July 24, 2023 – Lot Owners have submitted a Utility Study August 23, 2023 - Initial scoping meeting held September 6, 2023 – Meeting with District to establish participating and financial contribution October 8, 2023 – Utility Study completed October 30, 2023 – BCC Work Session January 30, 2024 – PW Staff has completed review of financial feasibility March 4, 2024 - A work session took place, and the BCC has decided they will not contribute financially to the LIDs but will allow the LID projects to move to the petition phase for the residents. April 29, 2024 – 40 Petitions mailed to property owners to determine interest in continuing with the LID process. June 3, 2024 - 31 of the 40 required petitions were returned. June 18, 2024 – Work session with the Board of County Commissioners July 9, 2024 – Regular Business Meeting to consider Preliminary Order Resolution to create LID and accept petitions. Certified letters were sent to all 74 property owners notifying them of the upcoming Public Hearing. The legal notice appeared in the Douglas County News Press on July 18, 2024.</p> <p>Next: A Public Hearing will be held on 8/27/2024 to create LID and set TABOR election question (Election is held in November).</p>
<p>Gore Drive and Independence Court LID - 8 lot owners in Sageport Filing 4 interested in grading, water, and sanitary sewer infrastructure, storm sewer infrastructure, aggregate base course, curb & gutter, hot mix asphalt, and erosion control as the major construction items.</p>	<p>September 25, 2023 – Lot Owners have submitted a Utility Study October 30, 2023 – BCC Work Session October 31, 2023 – Initial scoping meeting held January 30, 2024 – PW Staff has completed review of financial feasibility March 4, 2024 - A work session took place, and the BCC has decided they will not contribute financially to the LIDs but will allow the LID projects to move to the petition phase for the residents.</p>