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### Upcoming Meetings:

Open Space: May 1 7pm, 700 Jeffco Parkway, Suite 100  
Board of County Commissioners Every Tuesday at 8:00 am  
Foothills: May 27 6 pm, The Peak.  
Board of Adjustment: 1st & 3rd Wednesday at 9 am, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway  
DRCOG: May 21, 6:30pm, 1290 Broadway, first floor conference rm.  
Planning Commission: 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5th Wed. 6:15 pm, Hearing Room One, 100 Jefferson County Parkway

Calendar for upcoming meetings: **May 7 Heather Gutherless P & Z June 4 July 2—no meeting**

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**Draft Minutes for April 2 Meeting** Attendance: Winnie Burdan / Westridge-Lakeview Meadows, Diane Suchomel / At Large, Ray Moore & Al Hintz / Kipling Hills, Cheri Paavola / At Large, Bob & Pat Ham / At Large, Mary Parker / At Large, Shirley Jervis / Columbine Knolls, Larry Major / Columbine Knolls South Estates, Cindy Coats / Columbine West Civic Assn., Burke & Betty Steinke / Lakehurst West HOA, Jemal Touba / Trappers View, Logan MacMillan, Judi Bryant, Fire Chief Don Lombardi / West Metro Fire Protection District, Captain Allen Simmons / Jeffco Sheriff's Department, Jim Rada / Jefferson County Public Health.

The meeting was convened at 6:56 p.m.

**Winnie Burdan, President**, welcomed everyone.

**Special Reports –Fire Chief Don Lombardi, West Metro Fire Protection District**, asked to speak. The Special District Election is May 6. You should receive the Mail Ballot around April 15-17. You can drop off the ballots at the Training Center on Kipling just south of Hampden or at Headquarters at 433 S. Allison Pkwy. 4 of the 6 Board positions are being voted on. You have to vote for all positions. You can go to their website, westmetrofire.org, for more information.

They will be asking for a Mil Levy increase of 3 mils. (4.75 mils would be better to maintain the department.) The increase would be to cover operational expenses. The increase is in addition to the current 12.3 mils. It will cost about \$2 per month per \$100K of property value. It is needed to offset the bad economy. Up to this point, they have been using reserves which are now at critical levels. They cut back on staff. Firefighters took a pay cut. There has been a pay freeze. Their insurance expense has gone up. Property values have gone down about 5%. During all this, their service levels have not been cut. Their response time has met national standards. If the mil passes, they will pay for capital expenditures and bring pay back in line with going rights. Please vote.

If it doesn't pass, services will be affected. This year they have a \$600K deficit. Their insurance ratings (ISO) may be affected. This means that residents in our District may have their insurance rates go up.

Do other districts use the Training Center? Yes. Do they pay for it? Yes. The building is also used for continuing education. How can he be contacted? His phone number is 303-989-4307 ext. 511.

**Captain Allen Simmons** from **Jefferson County Sheriff's Department** was present. They used the Mobile Notification System to solve a vehicle trespass incident. The downward trend continues. Their budget woes continue. Deputies will graduate soon.

What can we do about distressed properties? The Sheriff's Department will check: Is the property vacant? Is the property in a state of disrepair? Is the property secure? Is there graffiti? Vacations homes are exempt. Locating the owners can be hard. If you have such a property, contact Planning and Zoning.

One neighborhood has a property where branches off a dead tree are falling and breaking neighbor's windows.

Ordinance 3.8.1 gives the Sheriff the authority to follow up on these situations. Al can be contacted at 720-497-7260.

There is a bike path at Pierce St and Roxbury. Sometimes there is a conflict between bike riders and cars trying to turn. Roads and Bridges may be restriping the street soon. This should resolve the issue.

Cassie Stenstrom, candidate for the West Metro Fire Rescue Board, asked for our vote. She has a background in Fi-

nance and Management.

No one from Foothills Parks and Recreation District or Jefferson County Public Schools was present.

Tonight's speaker was **Jim Rada, Jefferson County Public Health, Director of Environmental Health**. He has 33 years of local public health experience; 2 years in Jefferson County. His office is in the Taj. He was appointed Water Quality Control Representative.

Environmental Health Services handles inspections, permits, complaints, Land Use applications, emergency planning, and disease control. He has a staff of 22 people and a budget of \$2.4M of which about \$1M is from fees.

Retail Food Facilities Inspection Services has a staff of 5.5. The optimal staff would be 9. The State of Colorado has the authority which it delegates to Jefferson County. Retail Food Establishments store, prepare, and / or sell food for public consumption. They also provide training such as in food safety. What about vans that drive to locations? Yes, they are included. What about a private home? Private homes cannot be used to produce food for public consumption. Charitable and non-profit locations are exempt. Are school lunches or business lunch rooms included? Yes.

The first thing a new establishment needs is a license. Since 1960, they have issued 2,100 licenses. The new license includes a Planned Review Process.

Routine Inspections happen every year but the frequency is based on several risk-based factors. These factors include the type of food prepared, the complexity of food preparation, meal volume and their inspection history. If an establishment is rated at Risk 1 (high), then they get inspections every 1-2 years. If an establishment is rated at Risk 4 (low), then they get inspections every 3-4 years. They performed 1,680 inspections last year.

Does the inspection cover inside and outside? Yes. It also covers whether the employees look healthy and food safety knowledge.

Are inspections announced? Typically they are not announced.

Where are the results posted? They are posted on their website. Why aren't they posted in public view? This is not allowed or required in state law.

What about Hepatitis? There are no regulations that employees be tested for Hepatitis or have a health exam.

The next subject Jim wanted to discuss was Enforcement. There is a LOT of due process built into enforcement. Enforcement tools include Closure without suspension procedures and License suspension and revocation of license. Closure is hard to do and usually used for imminent health hazards. These hazards are power outage, water outage, or sewage on the floor. License suspension include a Civil 1 Penalty. Reasons include no license, no Planned Review, or the establishment does not allow an inspection.

The process involves an inspection and 3 follow up visits. Then they can levy a penalty of \$250 - \$1,000. Then there are 4 more follow ups. Then another penalty can be levied. Then 5 more follow ups and another penalty. If an establishment gets 3 penalties in a 12-month period, then they can start the suspension process. However they try to work with businesses if the business is willing to work with the Health Department. They like to employ the carrot approach. They also provide training.

Do Food Trucks have many issues? Most have a commissary where the food is made and water is acquired and dumped.

Do they put out Notices? Yes they can be issued locally, by other municipalities, and the state.

Is the license issued to the facility or a person? It is issued to the facility. If the facility moves to a new location, then they have to get a new license.

Are they involved in Liquor Licenses? They don't issue the license, but the liquor license requires that the establishment are in compliance with health matters.

What about rabies, West Nile virus, etc? Skunk Rabies (a variant of rabies) is moving into the Metro area. They work with Animal Control. They have 3-4 mosquito traps that they analyze for West Nile virus. Typically we have the rain water species of mosquito which do not carry West Nile virus.

Do they do anything about dog excrement? If it is on the county right of way, then contact Animal Control. If it is about water run-off, etc., then contact Planning and Zoning.

Their website is <http://jeffco.us/public-health/healthy-environments/inspections-and-assessments/food-service-establishment-inspection/>. They go to the Food Service database. You can search by different fields.

How are complaints handled? They respond within 24 hours in the case of a food borne illness.

Do they follow up on reports on TV? They provide inspection details to the media. Television focuses on establishments with 5 or more violations. If television people get information, they refer them to the Health Department.

Jim can be reached at 303-271-5700. *(Mr. Rada sent a follow up note regarding the free short term radon testing kits available to Jeffco residents. Interested residents need to go to their office during normal working hours/days to get one. Follow the directions that are on the test kit package.)*

**Reports from Officers** Roll Call was taken. We had 14 members present and we have a quorum.

**Winnie Burdan, President**, was present.

**Ray Moore, Treasurer**, was present. We have \$1,813.48.

**Cheri Paavola, Secretary, was present.** The Minutes for March were approved.

**Diane Suchomel, Vice President,** was present.

At our May meeting Heather Gutherless will be speaking about the proposed changes to the Accessory Dwelling Unit regulation. A public meeting about those proposed regulation changes will be held on 4/23 at the County's administration building.

There is a Community Meeting on Mar. 11th on the Quincy Lake Use Area A. They are now proposing 90% single family residential and 10% commercial. The meeting will be at The Rock of the Southwest Church at 6:00 - 7:00.

4/9 is a rezoning hearing for the State Licensed Hospital at Wadsworth and Coal Mine. The County Commissioner Hearing is 4/29.

4/9 is a rezoning hearing for Gymnazm at C-470 and Bowles.

4/23 is the Planning Commissioners Hearing for 10251 W. Bowles Ave. This is for the apartment building above the NA-PA. The County Commissioners hearing is 5/13.

Updated FEMA flood plain hazard maps for this area were released in February. You can look at the flood plain hazard map for your address on their website <https://msc.fema.gov>. Based upon the updated flood plain hazard maps mortgage companies may require some homeowners in this area who have US Government backed mortgage types to purchase flood insurance if their locations are now in certain categories of flood hazard areas. Our next Adopt A Highway Clean Up day is Apr. 19 at 8:30 a.m. We will meeting in the church parking lot as usual.

Free Legal clinics are available at Jeffco Court House. There is a flyer at the Library; go to the Self Help Desk. You have to make an appointment. You get 10 - 15 min. to meet with a lawyer.

**Old Business** None.

**New Business** None.

**Announcements** Mary Parker's next Town Hall is 4/26 at 9:30 - 11:00 at the Jeffco South Precinct.

We adjourned at 8:48 p.m.—*Cheri Paavola, Secretary*

<b>COHOPE Treasury Activity: April 2014</b>	<b>Beginning Balance April 2, 2014</b>	<b>\$ 1573.48</b>
<b>Deposits</b>		<b>\$ 440.00</b>
Suchomel, Ham, Auburn, Paavola, Fisher, Rotherham, Parker, Sielaff \$20		
Co Knolls, Williamsburg II, Lakehurst West, Columbine West, Kipling Hills, Trappers View Col. Knolls S. Estate \$40		
<b>Withdrawals</b>		<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Ending Balance May 7, 2014</b>		<b>\$ 2013.48</b>

**Foothills Park & Recreation District** Kate Dragoo Communications & Marketing Specialist (303) 409-2525; [kate@fhprd.org](mailto:kate@fhprd.org)

**April 14 2014—We Want Your Feedback – survey underway** Foothills Park & Recreation District invites you to complete our 2014 survey. It's our way of getting a pulse on how you think we're doing, allows for open feedback and gives us insight to important items happening around the District. The survey will be open through Friday, May 16. To start the survey, visit [www.ifoohills.org/2014survey](http://www.ifoohills.org/2014survey)

**Spring Pottery Sale, May 2-3** Find one-of-a-kind, handmade art for Mother's Day gifts, wedding gifts and more at Foothills Park & Recreation District's Spring Pottery Sale at the Ridge Recreation Center (6613 S. Ward St.). Pottery sale hours are Friday, May 2 from 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Saturday, May 3 from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Support local artists - pottery items available for sale are created by students and staff of the pottery classes offered at Foothills. For more information call 303.409.2612 or visit [www.ifoohills.org/events](http://www.ifoohills.org/events)

**Mother's Day Special, May 11** Moms swim free during open swim hours at Foothills Park & Recreation District's Ridge Recreation Center Pools and Lilley Gulch Recreation Center Pool when accompanied by their child(ren) on Sunday, May 11, 2014. For more information call 303.409.2333 or visit [www.ifoohills.org](http://www.ifoohills.org).

**Foothills Outdoor Pools open May 24 & 31** Splish, splash and celebrate summer at Foothills Park & Recreation District's pool opening days. A special admission rate of only \$3 per person will be available at the outdoor pools on opening days!

Pools opening on Saturday, May 24: Weaver Hollow Pool (12750 W. Stanford Ave.) and Deer Creek Pool (8637 S. Garrison St.) Opening the following weekend on Saturday, May 31: 6th Avenue West Pool (400 Holman Way) and Columbine West Pool (7046 S. Webster St.)

Foothills offers a wide range of open swim hours as well as classes for all ages and abilities. A great way to save money during the summer months is to purchase a Summer Fun Pass – pass sales begin May 1 at all Foothills facilities. For more information on classes and passes visit [www.ifoohills.org](http://www.ifoohills.org) or call 303.409.2100.

**2014 Foothills Community Entertainment** Celebrating 24 years of free concerts - Foothills Park & Recreation District has released the line-up for the 2014 Foothills Community Entertainment held at Clement Park (corner of Bowles & Pierce). Free concerts and performances will showcase a wide variety of free, family-friendly concerts from June-August. For more information visit [www.ifoohills.org/concerts](http://www.ifoohills.org/concerts). Concert cards also available at all Foothills facilities.

# THE BACKYARD

## Columbine Knolls South II REVIEW

*From President's Corner* Spring and daylight savings time has arrived. It is so nice to be able to get out and enjoy the weather and take a walk or dust off the bike for an evening ride. Recently I have seen and have been getting reports from people in our community regarding pet owners not having their pets on their leashes. Please be courteous to your neighbors and obey the leash laws posted at the entryways of our nearby Coronado Park. If someone refuses to comply with the posted laws then contact the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department at 303-271-0211 and they will assist you. For those of us Gardeners/Landscapers, etc., springtime definitely gets us in the mood to check out new plants and plan what you might want to do to your lawns this year! In addition, if this time of year motivates you to do some improvements to your home, please remember to submit an Architectural Control Committee (i.e. "ACC") form before you paint the house, build a new fence, replace windows, etc. You can find the form on the website along with process instructions. It's all about keeping our neighborhood looking nice for everyone and keeping our property values up!

Also, in the spirit of spring cleaning, keep in mind that the CKSII Community Garage Sale will be June 6 & 7. This is a great way to recycle unwanted treasures and make a little money at the same time!

The CKSII HOA did not have a meeting in March, but the Board members have been busy paying bills, adding new members, welcoming new neighbors, preparing to support the upcoming covenant renewal for Sections 2 & 3 and reviewing ACC requests as well as answering emails and questions from the community. — *Jon Brouillet, President CKSII HOA*

## Columbine West Civic Association Newsletter

**A Moment With The Board** At the March 11th CWCA meeting the Board conducted business as usual. A couple of new faces have attended the meetings lately and one has volunteered to help with Membership. Thanks to everyone who steps up to help out. More hands, fewer headaches. More membership dollars along with community volunteers could secure additional community events. Recycle/ Dumpster Day plans are coming together, the date will be early June, watch for more details. Summer is just around the corner, remember to lock your doors and cars to prevent theft. A representative from Shiloh House is scheduled to attend the April meeting and speak to members about upcoming events and National Night Out. Annual elections will be at the May 13th meeting, with the slate of election candidates being set at the April 8th meeting. Remember if you have any suggestion of ideas, call the voicemail, drop an email, just contact us. Look forward to hearing from the community. Residents are encouraged to attend any monthly meeting the next one

## The Leawood Reporter

*From Leawood Civic Association Minutes March 11, 2014* The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. In attendance, were Rhonda Eveleth, Mike Shaw, Paul O'Connor, Nancy Bock, Heather Hanley, and Debby Baker. Nominations were considered for all board positions. The board voted and all were in favor of the following positions: Mike Shaw as President, Paul O'Connor as Vice President, Richard White as Treasurer, Heather Hanley as Secretary, and Debby Baker as Assistant Secretary. The Election Resolution will be completed at the April meeting.

The Board considered each Board Members' role and its' responsibilities. Heather will create an initial LCA Roles & Responsibilities document for further discussion and revision. This document will also be used in conjunction with the creation of new LCA bylaws.

Mike will continue to research a website company to best fit the needs of our community. The board will discuss this topic further at a later date.

After review of the LCA membership flyer, Paul O'Connor proposed mailing the membership flyers to all 850 homes in Leawood. All were in favor. Paul and Mike will create the LCA membership flyer for distribution in early April with Rhonda's assistance.

The board briefly discussed the annual Volunteer Night. This meeting will take place on April 8, at 6:30 p.m., at Leawood Elementary School. This is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors, enjoy some great pizza and beverages, and find ways you can help support our great community.

The Easter Egg Hunt was also briefly discussed. Debby will organize this very popular event. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 12. Look for information, regarding this event, in the April issue of the Leawood Reporter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

*From Leawood Metropolitan Recreation and Park District Minutes March 12, 2014* The meeting was called to order

at 6:25 p.m. at Leawood Elementary School by President Kyle Sargent. Members present were: Donna Snyder, Linda Smith, Mibby Luedecke, Charlie Campbell, and Dave Padilla, Parks Manager.

Treasurer's Report – Donna submitted the Treasurer's report. Tax revenues, ownership tax revenue and lottery income were reported by Donna. Invoices for the month include: United Site Services, Waste Management, Denver Water, Horizon, Arco for trash bag ring, Excel, Special District Association dues, IRS taxes, Dave's invoice, Dave's invoice for snow removal and reimbursement to petty cash. Donna prepared our Annual Conservation Trust report as required.

Charlie moved the report be approved and bills paid. Linda seconded and the motion passed.

Parks Manager Report – Kyle noted that we want to be aware of Emerald Ash tree disease. Parts of the city are already having issues. Charlie reported our landscape maintenance contract with L&M has been signed for 2014. Their contact is to start in April. Dave met with several tree trimming contractors in regard to a park tree hanging over a resident's yard. This will be taken care of as soon as they are able to get equipment into the park due to soggy soil. Broken branches in Raccoon Park will also be taken down, again, as soon as weather permits. Dave has asked for bids from contractors for extensive phased tree trimming in Raccoon Park. Charlie has asked a CSU forester to look at all the trees in Raccoon Park and recommend whether damaged trees should be taken down or trimmed. He will be asked to tag the trees and prioritize our strategy. This is a major project list item for the District in 2014.

Dave reported he will be trenching an irrigation line to the two new trees in the west end of Weaver Park. Dave and two men removed two downed trees in Raccoon Park along the east diversion ditch. The debris was moved to the east end pile. There is now considerable tree debris that needs to be removed. This will be taken care of when the big branches are removed. Snow plow work was done as needed this month. The wear bars on the ATV are taking a beating this season. Trash was picked up and doggie bags replaced.

Correspondence – Donna received a call from a resident to report hanging branches in Raccoon Park. Donna then followed up with info to Dave. Resident also wants to be sure new trees will be planted in Raccoon Park since lots of trees are getting old. Note: New trees in Raccoon Park are on our project list for 2014. We know we are losing a lot of them due to age. Extensive trimming will take place this year as planned.

Donna had an unpleasant interaction with a resident who had a dog off leash and would not comply with leashing it.

Reminder: Our parks are part of Jeffco's requirement to have all dogs on leashes. We have been seeing more of this issue and have contacted Animal Control for more patrols.

Old Business – 2014 Projects – A walk-thru of the parks will be scheduled at the next meeting. Our current project list will be prioritized as soon as we know what damage has been done to the park during the winter.

Platte Canyon for C-Line Interceptor, including access – Dave and Charlie attended a walk thru from the far west bridge to the east end of Tract T on Sheridan with Jacobs Engineering and Platte Canyon. Their work is scheduled to start in May or June. The east end of Weaver Park will serve as the staging area for their work. Another walk thru will be done with the contractor before work starts.

Elections – Linda reported that we were able to cancel the May 6 election due to there not being more candidates for directors than offices to be filled. The cancellation notice was published in the Columbine Courier on March 12 and appropriate forms were sent to Jefferson County Clerk and Reporter and Division of Local Governments. Mibby Luedecke and Charlie Campbell were re-elected.

New Business – Field Usage – South Jeffco Association requested use of the Leawood Park baseball field from March to July. It was agreed we would rent them the field for their use. Kyle will invoice them for the usage.

Meeting Dates/Day/Time: 2nd Wednesday of each month (unless noted), 6:30 p.m.

Location: January to May – Leawood Elementary School; June, July and August – Park pavilions or Board member's homes due to school being closed; September to December – Leawood Elementary School

Wednesday, May 14, 6:30, Leawood Elementary School

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m. — *Linda T. Smith, Vice President and Secretary*

## Woodbourne

**From Note From the Board President** The March Board meeting was held on March 19, 2014, at the Woodbourne clubhouse. As winter is ending and spring is around the corner, there are several issues regarding the community and the Annual Homeowners Meeting that were addressed by the Board.

The Simm's fence has been propped up. The final repairs will be made once the weather turns warmer this spring. The Fremont entrance will be receiving a sprucing up as the Woodbourne Garden Committee begins its first project. Check out the changes as work progresses this month. Don't forget that new volunteers are encouraged and welcome. It is important that we get a quorum for the Annual Homeowners Meeting this month. In the past few years, we have had trouble getting enough residents to attend or submit proxies. The Board will be holding a proxy drive on Saturday, April 12, 2014, along Fremont. Please stop and sign a proxy if you cannot attend the meeting. Board members and volunteers may also come by your house to collect proxies. It will cost the HOA about \$500 if we have to reschedule the Annual Homeowners meeting. — *Jay Hansen, President*

## Williamsburg II News

**From President's Message** We find ourselves now officially into Spring by several weeks yet Easter is several weeks away. Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday April 12 with a back-up date of April 19th should Mother Nature fail to cooperate. Looking forward to seeing everyone. Thanks to all who participate and a special appreciation to the same board members who volunteer their time year in and year out coordinating the event. Tax day looms for many as well. Don't forget to file by April 16 (since the 15th is a Sunday, you procrastinators get an extra day!). The end of the school year is on the horizon. Kids (and perhaps more so, adults) may be catching spring fever and finding it difficult not to daydream about being outdoors in our beautiful Colorado climate. With this time of year comes spring cleaning, so mark those calendars and start prepping for the Community Garage Sale (see related article) by cleaning out those closets, garages and basements!

**From HOA Meeting Minutes for March 4, 2014—Annual Meeting** Mike Eppers called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. In attendance were Mike Eppers, Winnie Burdan, Susan Ganz, Debra White, Bill Ganz and Sharon Erickson

**Newsletter/Web page** No changes required for the newsletter or web page. Links to the Ken Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District and Foothills Park & Recreation District were added to the web page for those who want to follow the proposed Dog Park near the sledding hill.

Susan Ganz reported that as of February 28th the amount of dues collected is \$4290. This equates to 123 homes or 38% of homes.

**Architectural Committee Report** Bill Ganz reported that he has not had any requests – again cold weather and time of year puts projects outdoors on hold.

**Old Business** The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 12th at Eagle Meadows Park. The backup date will be April 19th if weather requires a change of date.

The board agreed to delay making any decision to eliminate one or more upcoming HOA events – dues collections will be monitored and checked against associated event costs before any further decision is made.

Susan and Bill have done some follow up on potential costs and options for necessary repairs for the signboard at the front of the subdivision. Goal – keep it simple and low cost. They also reported that the back light at the front entrance sign is not working. The light assembly is corroded and replacement parts have not been easy to locate. We are considering replacing this fixture with 2 spot lights to light the sign.

**New Business** This is the Annual Meeting and the meeting where Board members are elected to serve a two year term. Susan Ganz', Winnie Burdan's and Sharon Erickson's terms are all up. All three were nominated to continue serving on the board and have agreed to serve another 2 year term. Mike Eppers, Mark Hickman and Debra White have one more year on their term.

The Garage Sale will be held on June 6th and 7th this year. Start gathering all your items and mark your calendar.

Debra White has contacted West Metro Fire and they have agreed to lead the Bike Parade on Friday, July 4th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20.



Cohope road cleanup 4-19-2014

### Jeffco Proposed ADU changes: *From Jeffco website:* **Regulation Revision**

Over the years, regulations have been fluid, with county staff continually drafting revisions to the documents in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Jefferson County. The original zoning resolution was adopted by the county commissioners in 1946 and the land development regulation was adopted in 1978. The County is proposing changes to Zoning Resolution, Section 4 and 5, Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)

An Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) is an additional dwelling that can either be added to an existing single family detached dwelling, or built as a separate accessory structure on the same lot as the primary dwelling. These types of structures are often called "granny cottages." To be considered an ADU, the unit has provisions for an

independent kitchen, and must be clearly subordinate to the main dwelling.

Currently, to qualify for an ADU a property owner must prove at a Board of Adjustment hearing that the ADU will only be occupied by a family member, the property is a minimum of one acre, and adequate water and sanitation is provided. All changes proposed are shown in draft 1 of Section 4 and Section 5. Please note that the regulations are being moved from Section 4 to Section 5, so Section 4 will only show deletions. The three major changes proposed are as follows.

1. Process - The process is proposed to be changed from a Board of Adjustment hearing to an administrative process where the decision is made by staff based on specific criteria. This is why the location of the regulation is changing from

**Respect Blue Spaces**—By Sheriff Ted Mink—On March 11, 2014, the Jefferson County Board of County Commissioner's adopted a revision increasing the fines associated with parking privileges for persons with disabilities (42-4-1208). The traffic infraction for unauthorized parking in a designated disabled parking spot will now result in a fine of \$350 for the first offense, and \$600 for subsequent offenses. The ordinance took effect on April 11, 2014.

The State of Colorado issues license plates and placards to qualified persons with disabilities to park in reserved parking spaces. Disability parking is provided to assure that individuals requiring additional space to enter or exit their vehicles have the needed space and accommodates closer parking to a main entrance. The disability parking privilege allows a qualified individual to park in any space marked with the International Symbol of Access (blue spaces).

The State of Colorado offers identifying license plates and placards for persons with disabilities to park in reserved parking spaces. A person with a disability may apply for: An identifying placard to be prominently displayed on a motor vehicle used to transport such person with a disability.

A distinguishing license plate to be displayed on a motor vehicle owned by such person.

If the person with a disability is also a Disabled Veteran as determined by 42-3-213(5), C.R.S., that person may elect to display the Handicap Disabled Veteran license plates.

Identifying license plates or placards can be issued to a person by submitting a completed DR 2219 Persons with Disabilities Parking Privileges Application to the County Motor Vehicle Office. The application must be signed by the applicant or a representative.

**Replacement Placards** If the placard has been lost, stolen, mutilated, or otherwise damaged and the replacement placard is being requested prior to the expiration date, the damaged or mutilated placards should be surrendered to the Authorized Agent for replacement. You must provide a copy of the DR 2574 registration receipt for the placard being replaced as proof for replacement validation.

For information on placards and identifying license plates contact the Division of Motor Vehicles at (303)-205-5607.



Sheriff Ted Mink

Section 4 to Section 5 of the Zoning Resolution.

2. Occupant - The requirement that the ADU be occupied by a family member is proposed to be removed and replaced by a requirement that one of the units must be occupied by the property owner. The other unit could be occupied by a family member, a caretaker, a nanny, or a renter.

3. Lot and Unit size - The minimum lot size has been reduced, but the maximum unit size is also reduced on a tiered scale, so that as lot size is reduced so is the size of the ADU.

Valid proof of water and sanitation will still be required.

The intent of these regulation changes is not to double the density allowed in an area, or to allow the ADU to be sold off as an independent unit. The intent is to create more housing options for Jefferson County citizens. This would allow some citizens to age in place by having a second unit for perhaps a caretaker or grown children.

**Jeffco Open Space Master Plan Now Online**—Jefferson County Open Space authored the 2014-2019 Master Plan following a collaborative process that involved the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), the Open Space Advisory Committee, the public, and interested groups and organizations. The Plan was officially adopted by the BCC on March 18, 2014.

The purpose of the Master Plan is to provide an overarching strategic focus and direction. The eight goals and associated strategies provide the framework to accomplish the Plan in a 5-year period. Before updating the Master Plan, a 2011 Citizen Survey was conducted which provided valuable input for the creation of the Plan.

The Plan covers the vision, mission and values of Jeffco Open Space, as well as the aforementioned goals of land preservation; land stewardship; trails; communication and community involvement; nature and park-related history education; volunteerism; visitor stewardship; and the nature-health connection. In addition, ten detailed maps of Jefferson County are included that cover everything from population to scenic resources.

Read the full 2014-2019 Master Plan on our website: <http://jeffco.us/parks/about/open-space-master-plan>

On Issuu.com: [http://issuu.com/jeffcoopenspace/docs/jcos\\_2014mstrpln\\_041814\\_1\\_](http://issuu.com/jeffcoopenspace/docs/jcos_2014mstrpln_041814_1_)

Jeffco Open Space was founded as a land conservation organization in 1972 to preserve land, protect park and natural resources and provide healthy nature-based experiences. We are funded with a one-half of one percent sales tax that has preserves over 52,800 acres and created 28 regional parks and 227 miles of trails in Jefferson County.

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The May meeting will be Wednesday, May 7, **at 7:00 pm** at the Jeffco Sheriff's South station— 11139 Bradford Road. Heather Gutherless of Jefferson County Planning and Zoning will discuss the proposed accessory dwelling regulation revision. Note that comments are due on it by May 2, so check out the proposed changes at <http://jeffco.us/public-information/news/2014/public-meetings-about-accessory-dwelling-units/> and send in your comments before then.

**Jeffco Public Schools news – WARREN TECH STUDENTS PRACTICE TO FAIL** Twenty Jeffco high schools and 240 Warren Tech Career and Technical High School students spanning 12 educational programs participated in a mock emergency exercise. Students studying fire science and emergency medicine participated. Even students studying cosmetology helped put make up on the students playing victims to make the exercise seem more realistic. "We want to fail in this exercise, so we don't fail in real life," said Warren Tech Emergency Management Instructor Chris Mailliard. Warren Tech instructors worked in conjunction with professional partners from the FBI, Colorado State Patrol, Fairmont Fire Department and others. "The most important piece of all of it is that it takes everything that the students have been learning over the year or two that they've been at Warren Tech and puts it all together," said Warren Tech science instructor Arlie Huffman. It was the first time Warren Tech had staged a field exercise of this magnitude. For students, the exercise is the ultimate test. Warren Tech Principal Joe Shaw explained, "So when they have a real life scenario, they're better prepared for it." To see more photos from the exercise visit Jeffco's Facebook fan page.

**READY, SET, READ** Broncos' mascot Miles visited Witt Elementary School to share a book and celebrate reading. "For us it's a way to build community and show the joy in reading," said Witt Principal Turina Zimmer. Miles was just one of several celebrity readers who visited Witt. Students read aloud, were read to and participated in a reader's theatre. "It's not just about raising test scores, but once kids love reading, that's the foundation for all learning," said Zimmer.

**VOTE FOR EVERGREEN HIGH SCHOOL** Evergreen High School (EHS) students and staff designed a 21st century teaching and learning program in their school. They entered a video contest organized by the Follett Challenge which highlights and rewards the most innovative schools in the world. EHS created a video that tells the story of how the school implemented a vision of change in the library. They changed the space from a seldom used space with books lining the shelves to an energetic hive of creativity, innovation, technology and collaboration. Now they have a chance to win \$60,000 for their hard work. Watch and vote for the EHS Collaboraquarium video submission.

**ARVADA WEST PLAYS HOST TO HISTORY** Arvada West High School (AWHS) students have been playing hosts to 17 student visitors from Schönebeck, Germany. AWHS students and their German visitors recently had the chance to meet holocaust survivor Judy Urman, originally from Schönebeck, who now lives in the Denver area. "To have a survivor here to talk about their personal experience touches the students so personally and emotionally that they will forever remember," said Arvada West assistant principal Debbie Pearce. "It's about understanding our differences, but also how similar we are across the globe."