City Manager Week in Review Report

WEEK OF: May 16, 2025



RESOURCES

Agendas and meeting schedules – <u>commerce.legistar.com</u>

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Second LDC public meeting set for May 22

The city's updated Land Development Code (LDC) is ready for public review, and we want to hear from you! Join us for an open house to learn about the proposed updates, ask questions, and share your feedback. You'll get a clearer picture of what's changing, how the code is improving, and how it all helps shape the future of our community. The open house will start with a brief presentation, followed by time to explore materials, chat with staff, and weigh in.

Thursday, May 22 | 6 – 7:30 p.m. Eagle Pointe Recreation Center, 6060 Parkway Dr.

Can't make it in person and missed the first open house at Bison Ridge? Visit our project website to take a quick online survey and stay in the loop about upcoming summer pop-up events at c3gov.com/LDC.

Join Us for a Memorial Day Concert!

Following the 59th Annual Commerce City Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 26, Commerce City is proud to announce the entertainment for the post-parade concert at Veterans Memorial Park.

For the second straight year, we can't wait to welcome Commerce City's own Those Crazy Nights, a high-energy Journey tribute who this year will be accompanied by The Vinyl Countdown – a celebration of arena rock legends of the 80s!

The concert will begin immediately following the Memorial Day parade, with music set to start at 11:30 a.m. with food trucks, activities, and fun all set to ensue at Veterans Memorial Park.

Learn more at c3gov.com/Parade and we hope to see you there!



Council Work Schedules

HR Dashboard - 2025 Q1

Commerce City's Grant Office - April Update

Business/Economic Development



The Adams County Board of Commissioners took time at their May 13 meeting to recognize local Economic Development professionals by proclaiming the week of May 11-17 as **National Economic Development Week**. They were joined by municipal staff from most of the cities in Adams County, including Garrett Anderson and Carlos Maciel from the Commerce City team, as well as other partners in education, utilities and manufacturing. Pictured with the proclamation in the center are Board Chair Lynn Baca, and Jenni Hall, Adams County Director of Community and Economic Development.

Staff attended an event for key account holders hosted by United Power. The event highlighted growth over the past year and stressed the importance of building a responsive partnership with municipalities and other large power users. Mayor Douglas was also in attendance, as a board member for United Power.

Deputy Director Brian Phetteplace presented to the City Council this week, discussing the plans for attendance at the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) national retail trade show next week. The City has shared a booth with Adams County Economic Development for the past few years. The trade show gives our team the ability to put Commerce City sites in front of national retailers from across the country and begin relationships that will eventually bring new retailers to our community.

Last Tuesday, staff had the opportunity to participate in the STEAD School groundbreaking event, where they learned about exciting future projects and innovative plans to expand experiential education in our community.

Staff is supporting the owner of Gallery Sink and guiding him through the Catalyst Fund application.

Staff met with Business and Incentives Program Manager (OEDIT) to learn about news state-level initiatives like CHIPS Zones and updated to Enterprise Zones.

Staff continues to provide support to Marie's Taqueria, which is currently seeking access to resources and capital.

Staff has also launched the May Newsletter:

Read the latest updates, insights, and opportunities

English: https://conta.cc/4kcMrJZ

Spanish: https://conta.cc/43dVcgg

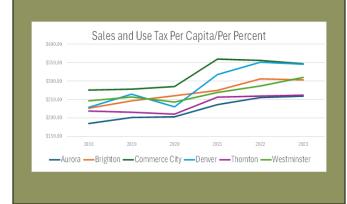
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DID YOU KNOW?

Sales tax collections in Commerce City for the first quarter were up 6.5% compared to the same three months in 2024.

Overall sales tax collections for 2024 were up 5.4% compared to 2023.

Thank you for supporting our local Commerce City businesses!



Community Appearance/Clean Ups

Hot Shot Crew Updates

During the past work week, the Hot Shot crew was divided into two, two-person teams that worked eight hours per day. Clean-up efforts are dedicated to both scheduled locations of known hotspots and in response to AccessC3 requests.

The Hot Shot team conducted inspections and removed abandoned items at the following scheduled, routine locations:

- E. 48th Avenue and Ivy Street
- E. 50th Avenue and Forest Street
- E. 52nd Place and Oneida Street
- E. 60th Avenue from Brighton Boulevard to Clermont Street
- E. 64th Avenue and Colorado Boulevard (I-270)
- E. 83rd Avenue and Rosemary Street
- E. 84th Avenue and Pontiac Street
- E. 96th Avenue and Peoria Street
- E. 112th Avenue and Tower Road
- E. 120th Avenue and Cameron Street
- Elm Street E. 69th Avenue to 72nd Avenue

In addition to routine areas, crews performed clean-up at the following locations:

- 55th Avenue and Monaco Street
- 57th Avenue and Monaco Street
- 60th Avenue and Brighton Road
- 63rd Avenue and Ivy Street
- 64th Avenue and Kearney Street
- 67th Place and Monaco Street
- 72nd Avenue and Elm Street
- 84th Avenue and Quebec Street
- 88th Avenue and Waco Street
- · 99th Place and Dallas Street
- 104th Avenue and Revere Street



Distinctive Highlights

- Hots Shot crews picked up 16 tires throughout the city this week. Crews aim to locate any leftover tires in the right-of-way (ROW) and roadways to remove and prevent hazards. Once picked up, staff takes the tires to the recycling center in efforts to promote sustainability.
- Crews found a large dumping of debris including, trees, branches, and trash near 92nd Avenue and Boston Street. Staff went through the area and picked up all the debris and brought in a truck to take the debris to recycling.



Community Well-Being (CWB)

	Weekly	YTD
Homelessness Program		
Unhoused Resident Contacts	36	494
Housing Navigation Program		
Resident Contacts	11	140
Housing Resource Referrals Made	7	37
Family & Seniors Program		
Senior Contacts	24	292
Senior Resource Referrals Made	17	376
Family Contacts	7	103
Family Resource Referrals Made	9	158

	Weekly	YTD
Housing Outcomes		
Eviction Prevention	0	4
Transitional Housing Placement	0	10
Permanent Housing Placement	2	12

Community Well-Being hosted the monthly "The Well" event, serving over 55 complimentary meals.

Attendees also enjoyed free haircuts and medical services, fostering community support and well-being.



Environment & Sustainability

Energy, Equity, and Environmental Weekly Report - May 16, 2025

This report provides a weekly update of environmental policy and planning work including, but not limited to:

- Environmental Policy Advisory Committee (EPAC) and Community Education/Outreach
- Municipal Operations (Leading by Example)
- Legislative Updates & Regional Environmental Leadership
- Colorado Energy and Carbon Management Commission (ECMC), Oil & Gas Projects and Policy
- Water Resources & Environmental Reviews



Growth and Development

Ward Report: April Ward Repo	<u>rt</u>	*	New Report will be updated by the	second Wednesday o	f the month	
YTD Permits Issued	w Resider	ntial	Code Enforcement	Weekly Totals	YTD Total	
20 5% (Incit		lti-	Abatement Hearings	0	17	
1.5% Family) 438			Weeds Violations <1 acre	28	41	
69% elec	ctrical, fra	ming,	Weeds Violations > 1 acre	5	41	
	ement fin v Comme		Total Violations	176	2,502	
New Commercial			*Proactive Cases	124	1,856	
Certificate of Occupancies (CO)	Weekly	YTD	*Reactive Cases	44	572	
& Permits Issued	Totals	Total	**Total Actions	797	10,542	
Commercial CO's	0	7	Knock & Talks	131	1,418	
New Single-Family Residential CO (Units)	17	230	100% ————			
New Multifamily (MF) CO (Units)	0	80	80%			
Total New Dwelling Units	17	310	60%		91%	
New Res. Permits Issued (Includes MF)	18	187	40% 52%	48%		
Commercial & Other Permits Issued	19	446	20%	40 /0		
Residential Inspections	310	6,243	0% Non-Res.	Residential	Compliance	
Non-Residential Inspections	26	789	Violations	Violations	Compliance Rate	
Planning	Developr	ment		Weekly Totals	YTD Totals	
Total Active Cases (Week	dy Totals I	nclude N	lew Cases)	1	120	
Customer Planning Questions (Incu	des Phon	e, Email	s, or In-person Visit's)	36	518	
Comple	eted Case	s		0	33	
	Se	lect Cas	e Numbers			
Ackard Annexation			Resolution for substantial compliance was approved			
Reunion Center			Continued to 6/3			
New Submittals- Application case numbers are linked to the Central Square system for review materials					erials	
AN25-0003			Hammer Annexation			

*Proactive cases are code inspector-driven issues.

Reactive cases are community members' reported issues.

^{**}Total Actions Include: Proactive and Reactive Cases, Violations, Follow-ups, and Letters Sent.



CCPD launches innovative "Drone as First Responder" program

So far 2025 has been full of initiatives to enhance community safety-- we've brought back our K9 Unit, we're hiring three mental health co-responders to accompany our officers on calls for service, we've introduced our Blue Envelope Program, and we've certified our Traffic Team to do commercial motor vehicle inspections that ensure the big rigs operating on our roadways, alongside you and your family, are safe to do so.

Continuing the enhancement of public safety initiatives, the Commerce City Police Department is proud to announce the implementation of the Drone as First Responder (DFR) program, a groundbreaking initiative designed to enhance public safety and improve response times during active calls for service.

The DFR program allows CCPD professionals to operate drones remotely, which will be strategically installed atop several buildings throughout the city. These drones will be launched, flown, and docked by our trained pilots working in our brand-new Real-Time Crime Center, enabling rapid deployment in critical situations.

Safety is our top priority; CCPD has a long-standing history of utilizing drone technology, and we have successfully navigated rigorous FAA requirements to ensure our operations will be safe beyond visual line of sight.

The drones will be used exclusively in response to specific calls from community members or alerts from our Flock public safety system, ensuring they will never be deployed for routine surveillance. "We are committed to maintaining transparency with our community," explains Chief of Police Darrel Guadnola. "Much like the rollout of our Flock public safety system, we will be sharing information on the DFR program to keep the public informed and engaged."

Drones operating as a First Responder will cover the entirety of Commerce City, enhancing safety for all residents as well as our responding officers. For more information, please watch the video we've put together to address your most frequently asked questions: https://youtu.be/_qQSkAjOgfA





Infrastructure

Public Works Updates

Preservation and Safety:

This week, Streets Operations' traffic teams continued their dedication to provide safe roadways throughout our city. Crews addressed AccessC3 requests to replace and fix damaged signs. Teams estimate having replaced a total of 42 signs citywide.

Engineering

- On May 5, staff participated in a design team meeting or 56th Avenue improvements.
- On May 6, staff attended an Adams County Coalition of Governments Technical Staff meeting.
- On May 6, staff attended the Mile High Flood District's annual Symposium.
- On May 6, staff attended a Highway 2 medians project meeting.
- On May 7, the demolition of Potomac Bridge occurred.
- On May 7, staff attended a weekly construction meeting for Potomac Bridge reconstruction.
- On May 8, staff hosted a construction meeting for 88th Avenue widening.
- CDOT will be hosting a telephone town hall for the Denver North area on May 21. Residents who would like to receive a phone call during the meeting should <u>fill out CDOT's</u> participation form.

Streets

- Teams began locates for new signage. Crews look to add two road signs along 48th Avenue and Ivy Street and two "No Parking" signs at 66th Avenue and Oneida Street. Teams also requested locates for a memorial sign along 64th Avenue, between Elm Street and Glencoe Street.
- The pavement team continued addressing reports via AccessC3 for potholes on the road. Crews fixed and filled 85 potholes throughout the city this week, using five tons of cold mix asphalt.
- Teams also ground six thermal paving marking crosswalk from 84th Avenue and Telluride. The crosswalk was originally installed at a wrong location, which was the cause of the removal.
- Crews started shoulder repair throughout the city. Staff used eight tons of recycled asphalt for the renovations, targeting 120th Avenue and Tower Road, 120th Avenue and Chambers Road, 120th Avenue and Peoria Street, 112th Avenue and Belle Creek, and 112th Avenue and Highway 85.







Parks Operations

- Crews continued herbicide control operations throughout the city, focusing efforts at Bison Ridge Recreation Center, Turnberry Park, Ragweed Draw Trail and the Dunes Trail by Belle Creek. Teams used a total of 25 gallons of herbicide.
- Staff removed weeds from the Fairfax Park shrub beds moving to Rose Hill Grange Park once completed. At Rose Hill Grange, staff pulled weeds from the landscape beds and cleaned the chain link fence north of the park.
- Crews received an <u>AccessC3</u> report that a dead tree fell into the southwest side of Olive Park. Staff acted quickly, using a tractor, chipper and dump bed truck to remove the debris from the area. The tree was safely cut into manageable pieces to be chipped, and crews then finished the job by raking all areas.
- Due to the heavier rain throughout the week, staff performed flood operations at Fairfax Park. Crews were dispatched early Wednesday and removed debris throughout the day. Teams then returned the next day to reinspect the area and ensure no flood debris was left over from the rain event.
- Crews removed sand and debris from the retaining wall at the Sand Creek Trail. Typically after a heavy rainstorm, sand will wash into the hard surface trail. Staff removes the sand to make the trail safe for pedestrian and bicyclists.
- The Fairfax Park Playground Renovation Project continued this week. The top color-coat has been installed. PRG staff will complete a drop test to ensure the playground surface meets the required impact attenuation established by ASTM.







Parks, Recreation and Golf

Pancake Breakfast | Recap

On Saturday, May 3, the Active Adult Program team hosted the 39th Annual Pancake Breakfast. A total of 137 meals were sold this year-a record compared to recent years.

As always, there was a raffle for gift baskets and items, including the traditional quilt made by our very own Eagle Pointe Quilting Club. A bonus add this year-a stunning afghan was raffled at the Pancake Breakfast, made by the new Crochet Club at Bison Ridge.

A fundraising record of \$1,500 was made this year, the money raised goes into the Goodfriends Scholarship, which allows Senior Citizens to obtain reduced costs for recreation programs.

Thank you to all the Active Adult Advisory Committee members who volunteered and helped make this year so successful!

Story Walk at Monaco Park

We are excited to announce the launch of our very first StoryWalk, now installed at Monaco Park.

This engaging outdoor experience combines reading and physical activity by displaying a children's book pages along a walking path.

Our debut book is the beloved classic *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle. Families are invited to visit the park, enjoy the story, and explore this fun, educational addition to our community.

Join us on Saturday, May 17, at Monaco Park from 2-4 p.m. as we officially launch our StoryWalk during our annual Kids to Parks Day event.









Financial Reports

Where to find Budget and Financial Information:

Review the Main Budget & Financial Reports at c3gov.com/FinancialReports

- 2025 Adopted Budget
- 2025 Budget at a Glance
- 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)
- 2023 Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR)

Monthly Financial Report - Quarterly Financial Report

The First Quarter Financial Report was presented to City Council during the May 12, Study Session. The Second Quarter report is scheduled to be presented in August 2025. Each quarterly report contains cumulative financial data through the end of the reporting quarter.



Municipal Court & Probation Report - through April 2025



A list of current vacancies may be found at c3gov.com/Boards.