



FROM THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

For the week of December 9, 2019

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Resolution of action items or requests from previous meetings.

Oil and Gas Update

At the 11-18-19 City Council meeting questions were posed to staff by members of the community and Mr. Douglas about the timing of oil and gas permit applications submitted to the City's Community Development Department and the subsequent timing of public communications related to those applications. Below, please find the answers to the questions posed about the City's communications related to oil and gas permit activity.

The below table provides each oil and gas permit application the City has received to date; the date the permit was submitted; the date the application was deemed completed; and the city council action that would be required to initiate oil and gas activity at any of the proposed sites.

Site Name	Case Number	Operator	Date Permit Application Was Submitted to City	Date Permit Application Deemed Complete By Staff	Council Action Required	Well Count
Condor	OG-001-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	10/8/2019	10/17/2019	Rezoning	16
Pelican	OG-002-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	10/8/2019	10/21/2019	Conditional Use Permit	28
Owl	OG-005-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	10/17/2019	11/8/2019	Rezoning	18
Falcon	OG-006-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	10/17/2019	11/8/2019	Rezoning	18
Blue Jay	OG-004-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	10/17/2019	11/8/2019	Rezoning	18
Heron	OG-003-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	10/18/2019	11/4/2019	Conditional Use Permit	24
Harlo	OG-007-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	10/21/2019	11/4/2019	Rezoning	32

- As you can see all seven (7) Extraction oil and gas permits were received by the City by 10-21-19. During the Monthly Oil and Gas Update given to the public on 10-21-19, staff presented to the public that *"Two Oil and Gas Permits have been submitted and deemed complete by the city for review – both by Extraction."* Also included in the presentation was information that *"Four*

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additional permits are currently under completeness review". In other words, the City disclosed publicly that it had received six permits, by 10-21-19. The reason the 7th permit was not included in the presentation is because the permit application came in right at 5pm and there was not sufficient time to modify the presentation and include the 7th application. The version of the presentation that exists in the on-line City Council meeting and agenda packet is not the presentation that was actually given on 10-21-19. The presentation was modified on 10-21-19 to reflect changes in permit activity that occurred on 10-17-19 and 10-18-19 (see chart above for details).

- On 11-11-19, the City Managers Report contains the Oil and Gas Weekly Update, dated November 5, 2019. This document contains all 7 oil and gas permits submitted to the City by Extraction Oil and Gas, the date of submission, and the well count.
- On 11-18-19, the Oil and Gas Monthly Update presentation was provided during the regular city council meeting. This presentation included information that 7 oil and gas permits had been submitted to the City by Extraction Oil and Gas, the date of submission, the well count and the determination that all of the permits were now "deemed complete".
- "Deemed Complete" is a term defined pursuant to the terms of section 5.2 of the Regional Operator Agreement, which specifies among other things the 7-day business review cycle for permits submitted to the City. It does not mean that any oil and gas activity has been authorized to begin. Further City Council action, in the form of either *rezoning* or a *conditional use permit* is required before any drilling activity could initiate. Please see the above table for specific actions required by the City Council, at each site. At this time, an estimate is not available for when these decisions will come before the City Council for consideration and action. The Weekly Oil and Gas Update report provides additional information about the review process for oil and gas permits.

Attached please find the current oil and gas update. Additional information can also be found on the city's [webpage](#).

Correspondence

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City Council Work Schedule

Attached please find the current city council meeting schedule.

To: Brian McBroom, City Manager**From:** Domenic Martinelli, City Planner**Subject:** Oil & Gas Weekly Update**Date:** December 4, 2019**Executive Summary:**

This weekly update is intended to provide an overview of recent applications that have been submitted to the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) or City applications within Commerce City boundaries.

City Oil and Gas Permits

The city has received the following Oil and Gas Permit submittals:

Site Name	Case Number	Operator	Council Action Required	Well Count
Condor	OG-001-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Rezoning	16
Pelican	OG-002-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Conditional Use Permit	28
Heron	OG-003-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Conditional Use Permit	24
Blue Jay	OG-004-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Rezoning	18
Owl	OG-005-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Rezoning	18
Falcon	OG-006-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Rezoning	18
Harlo	OG-007-19	Extraction Oil and Gas	Rezoning	32

The table below shows the date each permit was submitted to the city, the date the permit application was deemed complete per section 5.2 of the Regional Operator Agreement, and the review status for each permit. Upon being referred out to a number of internal and external review entities, the permit undergoes an initial six-week review cycle, and is then scheduled for an internal Development Review Team (DRT) meeting. A comment letter is then issued to the applicant, informing of them of revisions that need to be made to the permit in order to continue the review process. For permits in the table above that require council action prior to approval, no final action will be taken on an administrative Oil and Gas Permit until council either approves, approves with conditions, or denies the relevant case. This table will be continuously updated as permits are under review by the city.

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Case Number	Date Permit Application Submitted to City	Date Permit Application Deemed Complete By Staff	Sent Out For Review On	Referral Agency Comments Due to Staff	Development Review Team Date	Permit Status (Approved / Pending / Denied / Withdrawn)
OG-001-19	10/8/2019	10/17/2019	11/12/2019	12/23/2019	12/26/2019	Pending
OG-002-19	10/8/2019	10/21/2019	11/18/2019	12/30/2019	1/2/2020	Pending
OG-003-19	10/18/2019	11/4/2019	11/25/2019	1/6/2020	1/9/2020	Pending
OG-004-19	10/17/2019	11/8/2019	12/2/2019	1/13/2020	1/16/2020	Pending
OG-005-19	10/17/2019	11/8/2019				Pending
OG-006-19	10/17/2019	11/8/2019				Pending
OG-007-19	10/21/2019	11/4/2019				Pending

Spacing Applications:

Spacing applications depict proposed boundaries for subsurface activity in a broad geographic area (1-2 square miles) for resource identification. They do not identify actual surface use locations or entitle an operator to commence operations. Consistent with previous practice, the city does not formally comment or weigh in on spacing applications. The following table shows approved or currently pending spacing applications.

Docket No	Operator	Location (Sections)	Intervention Date	Status
180300262	Petro Operating	Sections 10 & 11, T2S R67W	4/16/2018	Approved
180400300	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 21, 22 & 23, T2S R66W	4/16/2018	Approved
180400284	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections W½ 26, 27 & 28, T2S R66W	4/16/2018	Approved
180700524	Great Western Operating	Sections 32 & 33, T1S R66W	4/16/2018	Approved
190300473	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 3, 4 & 5, T2S R66W	2/25/2019	Pending
190300474	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 7 & 8, T2S R66W	2/25/2019	Pending
190300475	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 12 & 13, T2S R67W	2/25/2019	Pending
190300476	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 9 & 10, T2S R66W	2/25/2019	Pending
190300230	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 15 & 16, T2S R66W	2/25/2019	Consent Agenda

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		Sections S½ 22, 27 & 34, T1S R66W		Consent Agenda
190600410	Great Western Operating	Sections 1 & 2, T2S R67W	5/17/2019	Pending

New Applications Received Since Previous Update:

None

Applications Withdrawn:

The applications shown in the table below were previously submitted to the city, but withdrawn.

Docket No	Operator	Location (Sections)	Intervention Date	Status
180300233	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 27 & 34, T1S R66W, Section 3, T2S, R66W	4/16/2018	Approved – Pending Withdrawal
180400303	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 1 & N ½12, T2S R67W	4/16/2018	Withdrawn
180400304	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections S ½12 & 13, T2S R67W	4/16/2018	Withdrawn
180600377	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 8 & 9, T2S R66W	4/16/2018	Approved – Pending Withdrawal
180600433	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 11 & 14, T2S R66W	5/25/2018	Approved - Pending Withdrawal
180600434	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 10 & 15, T2S R66W	5/25/2018	Approved - Pending Withdrawal
180600437	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 4, 5 & 6, T2S R66W	5/25/2018	Approved – Pending Withdrawal
180700555	Great Western Operating	Sections 12 & 13, T2S R67W	7/16/2018	Withdrawn

190300230	Extraction Oil and Gas	Sections 11 & 12, T2S R66W	2/25/2019	Withdrawn
		Sections 13 & 14, T2S R66W		Withdrawn

Form 2:

Form 2's are the permit for each wellbore and it's construction. They are primarily related to "downhole" or geologic issues relative to the underground activities and the impact on minerals. They do not give permission to commence drilling or production.



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Site Name	Operator	Original Intervention Date or Comment Deadline	Status	Well Count
Blue Jay	Extraction Oil and Gas	4/12/2018	On Hold	32
Owl	Extraction Oil and Gas	4/18/2018	On Hold	16
Condor	Extraction Oil and Gas	4/25/2018	On Hold	16
Red Tail	Extraction Oil and Gas	5/14/2018	On Hold	16
Antelope	Petro Operating, LLC	5/16/2018	Pending	24
Falcon	Extraction Oil and Gas	5/21/2018	On Hold	32
Kestral	Extraction Oil and Gas	5/21/2018	On Hold	16
Jacobson	Great Western Operating	6/20/2018	On Hold	36
Oriole / Hawk	Extraction Oil and Gas	9/5/2018	On Hold	32

New Applications Received Since Previous Update:

None

Form 2A:

Form 2A's are the permit for the surface wellpad location. They examine the site location, the proposed site plan, the proposed drilling activities to be used, and best management practices for landscaping, sound mitigation, and other conditions. All operators listed below have requested holds be placed on the processing of all Form 2A's, with the additional request of a 2nd comment period. At that time, the city will provide formal comment during the time of the 2nd comment period, which the date has yet to be specified.

Site Name	Operator	Original Intervention Date or Comment Deadline	Status
Condor	Extraction Oil and Gas	4/25/2018	On Hold
Blue Jay	Extraction Oil and Gas	5/27/2018	On Hold
**Antelope	Petro Operating, LLC	5/31/2018	Pending
Falcon	Extraction Oil and Gas	6/9/2018	On Hold
Jacobson	Great Western Operating	7/4/2018	On Hold
Harlo	Extraction Oil and Gas	9/15/2018	On Hold
Red Tail	Extraction Oil and Gas	9/15/2018	On Hold

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New Applications Received Since Previous Update:

None

**The city provided a comment letter to the COGCC requesting the opening of a second comment period after further conversations with the operator occur regarding the location. The city currently opposes the proposed location of this site based on proximity to planned and existing residential and other health and safety concerns.



	UPDATED: Friday, December 06, 2019			
		City Council Work Schedule		
December 9, 2019	Bison Grill	LEGISLATIVE DINNER		
December 16, 2019	5:15 PM			
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS	Room 2108			
SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING				
ADMIN BUSINESS		Review of Members Applying for Reapplication	CC	0:15
		Total Meeting Time		0:15
December 16, 2019				
REGULAR		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:20
AT-LARGE VACANCY		At-Large Vacancy Applicant Interviews		0:30
		Reception		0:30
		At-Large Vacancy Appointment		0:30
EXECUTIVE SESSION	19-76	An executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e) for the purpose of determining position relative to a matter that may be subject to negotiations concerning incentives for a potential economic development project within the city.	ED	0:30
CONSENT	Min 19-186	Minutes of the December 2, 2019 Regular Meeting	CC	0:05
	Min 19-187	Minutes of the December 2, 2019 Organizational Meeting	CC	N/A
	Res 2019-106	Axon Contract	PD	N/A
	Res 2019-117	Award of Contract for Veteran's Memorial Park	PRG	N/A
	Res 2019-123	RESOLUTION AMENDING THE DIRECTORY OF CITY FEES AND CHARGES	FD	N/A
	Res 2019-124	Resolution Approving Grant of Easement to South Adams County Water and Sanitation District	PW	N/A
	Res 2019-125	RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DIRECTOR AND OPERATIONAL MANAGER FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOTEL & RESTAURANT WITH OPTIONAL PREMISE LIQUOR LICENSE AT THE BISON GRILL RESTAURANT AT BUFFALO RUN GOLF COURSE	CA	N/A
	Res 2019-126	RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DIRECTOR AND OPERATIONAL MANAGER FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE LIQUOR LICENSE AT THE BISON GRILL RESTAURANT AT BUFFALO RUN GOLF COURSE	CA	N/A
PUB HEARING	Z-945-17-19-20	Schuck Communities, Inc. (2nd Reading 1/6/2020)	CD	0:15
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
	Pres 19-473	Oil and Gas Monthly Update	CD	0:15
		Total Meeting Time		4:10
January 6, 2020				
REGULAR		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:20
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT	Z-945-17-19-20	Schuck Communities, Inc. (1st Reading 12/16/2020)	CD	0:05
PUB HEARING	LUP-56-19	Gruenewald Filing No. 1 Land Use Plan Amendment (2nd Reading 2/3/2020)	CD	0:15
	Z-957-19	Gruenewald Filing No. 1 Zone Change (2nd Reading 2/3/2020)	CD	0:15
	Res 2019-104	Adoption of the CDBG Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).	CD	0:15
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING	Ord 2252	AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2019 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$428,484 FOR MINOR HOME REPAIR, ARAPAHOE CO WEATHERIZATION, PAINT-A-THON, GROUNDWORKS DENVER, AUDIO INFORMATION NETWORK AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM PROGRAMS. (2nd Reading 2/3/2020)	FD	0:05
PRESENTATION				
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
		Total Meeting Time		2:30

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January 13, 2020				
STUDY SESSION				
DISCUSSION		Reports	CMO	0:15
	Pres 19-493	General Business Licensing Program	CC	0:20
	Pres 19-14	27J School Impact Fees Discussion	CD	0:30
	Pres 19-556	Federal Legislative Advocacy	CMO	0:30
		Total Meeting Time		1:35
January 20, 2020		HOLIDAY - NO MEETING		
REGULAR		Total Meeting Time		0:00
January 27, 2020				
STUDY SESSION				
DISCUSSION		Reports	CMO	0:15
	Pres 19-519	Social Media Training	CMO	1:15
		Total Meeting Time		1:30
February 3, 2020				
REGULAR		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:20
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT	Ord 2252	AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2019 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO BY THE RECOGNITION OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$428,484 FOR MINOR HOME REPAIR, ARAPAHOE CO WEATHERIZATION, PAINT-A-THON, GROUNDWORKS DENVER, AUDIO INFORMATION NETWORK AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM PROGRAMS. (1st Reading 1/6/2020)	CD	0:05
	LUP-56-19	Gruenewald Filing No. 1 Land Use Plan Amendment (1st Reading 1/6/2020)	CD	N/A
	Z-957-19	Gruenewald Filing No. 1 Zone Change (1st Reading 1/6/2020)	CD	N/A
PUB HEARING	Z-953-18-19	Prime Sites PUD ZOne Document for Hightower Ranch (2nd Reading 3/2/2020)	CD	0:15
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING				
PRESENTATION	Pres 19-550	Regional Air Quality Council Update	CMO	0:30
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
		Total Meeting Time		2:25
February 10, 2020				
STUDY SESSION				
DISCUSSION		Reports	CMO	0:15
		Total Meeting Time		0:15
February 17, 2020		HOLIDAY - NO MEETING		
REGULAR		Total Meeting Time		0:00
February 24, 2020				
STUDY SESSION				
DISCUSSION		Reports	CMO	0:15
	Pres 19-517	Historic Preservation Ordinance Study Session	CD	0:30
		Total Meeting Time		0:45

City Council Work Schedule				
March 2, 2020				
REGULAR		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:20
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT	Z-953-18-19	Prime Sites PUD ZOne Document for Hightower Ranch (1st Reading 2/3/2020)	CD	0:05
PUB HEARING				
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING				
PRESENTATION				
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
		Total Meeting Time		1:40
March 9, 2020				
STUDY SESSION				
DISCUSSION		Reports	CMO	0:15
		Total Meeting Time		0:15
March 16, 2020				
REGULAR		Call to Order; Pledge; Audience Intro; Citizen Comm; Minutes; Reports		1:20
PROC & RECOGNITION				
CONSENT				0:05
PUB HEARING				
RESOLUTION				
ORD 1ST READING				
PRESENTATION				
ADMIN BUSINESS				0:15
	Pres 19-476	Oil and Gas Monthly Update	CD	0:15
		Total Meeting Time		1:55
March 23, 2020				
STUDY SESSION				
DISCUSSION		Reports	CMO	0:15
		Total Meeting Time		0:15
March 30, 2020				
JOINT MEETING WITH ADAMS 14 SCHOOL DISTRICT				1:00
		Total Meeting Time		1:00
March 31, 2020				
JOINT MEETING WITH 27J SCHOOL DISTRICT				1:00
		Total Meeting Time		1:00