



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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TO: Board of County Commissioners
Scott Vargo
Jeff Huntley
FROM: Lori Dwyer
RE: Work Session Meeting of March 12, 2019
DATE: March 12, 2019

Attendees:

Elected Officials: Thomas C. Davidson, Karn Stiegelmeier, and Elisabeth Lawrence – Commissioners

Staff: Scott Vargo, County Manager; Jeff Huntley, County Attorney; Keely Ambrose, Assistant County Attorney; Cameron Turpin, Assistant County Attorney; Sarah Vaine, Assistant County Manager; Bentley Henderson, Assistant County Manager; Marty Ferris, Finance Director; Julie Sutor, Director of Communications; Don Reimer, Planning Director; Jim Curnutte, Community Development Director; Tom Gosiorowski, Public Works Director; Kate Berg, Planning and Lori Dwyer, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Deepan Dutta, Jessica Hoover, Lucinda Burns, Jennifer McAtamney and Jennifer Schenk

I. Head Start/Right Start/Early Childhood Options Update

Lucinda Burns gave a brief update and overview of the progress on Summit County's Head Start and Early Head Start Programs including but not limited to:

- New Staff
- Preschool Applications for 2019-20
- Conversion Slots

Ms. Burns gave a brief update and overview of the progress on Summit County's Right Start Program including but not limited to:

- Colorado Shines Quality Ratings for 2018
- Professional Credentials of the Early Childhood Workforce
- Early Childhood Care & Learning Fund 2019 Budget Summary
- Preschool funding & waitlist numbers
- Summit Pre-K Report for January 2019
 - Overview
 - Residency & Employment
 - Childcare rates by area

II. Review and Discussion of Draft Summit County Climate Action Plan with High Country Conservation Center (Planning)

Kate Berg gave an overview regarding the Planning Department's Climate Action Plan.

Jessica Hoover and Jennifer Schenk gave a presentation on the plan, including but not limited to:

- Key Plan goals
 - Reduce countywide emissions 50% by 2030 and 80% by 2050
- Key Strategies
 - Renewable Energy Strategies:
 - Encourage all jurisdictions to adopt or support renewable energy goals
 - Shared work plan to achieve 100% renewable electricity countywide
 - Work with Xcel Energy to develop a local renewable energy roadmap
 - Execute a buy-back program for roof-top solar
 - Streamline solar permitting process
 - Building Energy Strategies:
 - Reduce building emissions by 36%
 - Adopt the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC)
 - Develop a new “above building code” standard for new construction
 - Require energy reporting for large businesses
 - Explore opportunities for beneficial electrification
 - Transportation:
 - Reduce transportation emissions by 91%
 - Create and implement a community-wide Electric Vehicle (EV) Readiness Plan
 - Facilitate fleet conversions to EVs
 - Engage in regional discussions about transportation alternatives on I-70
 - Identify opportunities for increasing use of local transit systems
 - Waste:
 - Reduce waste emissions by 90%
 - Develop Silverthorne recycling center
 - Launch free food scrap recycling program
 - Mattress and carton recycling
 - Install glass depots at more locations around the county
 - Forests:
 - Improve the understanding of forest health in a changing climate
 - Develop and implement a community-wide forest management plan
 - Educate the community about the benefits of healthy forests
 - Community Engagement:
 - Create an outreach campaign to engage locals and visitors
 - Provide free workshops to help residents learn how to reduce their carbon footprints
 - Leverage partnerships with local governments, ski areas, school district and Colorado Mountain College (CMC)
 - Funding:
 - Develop a long-term financing mechanism for climate action implementation
 - Next steps
 - Plan adoption
 - Presentations with towns
 - Making the Climate Action Plan actionable for Summit County
 - Comprehensive Plan
 - Department & Employee Work Plans

Commissioners and staff discussed various County building projects and the ability to fund energy-efficient solutions.

III. Budget Amendments (Finance)

Marty Ferris reviewed the 2018 Budget Amendment and 2019 Budget Amendment. She also noted that these are on the Public Hearing Agenda for approval at this afternoon's Regular Meeting.

IV. Managers' and Commissioners' Issues

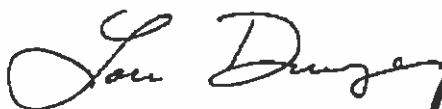
Senior Management and the Commissioners gave various updates on topics including but not limited to:

- Scott Vargo gave an update regarding a letter to be sent to Joe Neguse regarding the Colorado Outdoor Recreation and Economy (CORE) act.
- Sarah Vaine gave an update on staffing changes.
- Bentley Henderson gave an update regarding support of a Local Improvement District in the Peak 7 neighborhood.
- Mr. Henderson noted that he has set up a tour of the Snake Waste Water Treatment Plant for the Commissioners.
- Commissioner Lawrence volunteered to become a board member for the Summit Historical Society.
- Commissioner Davidson noted that Counties & Commissioners Acting Together (CCAT) has taken a position of support on HB18-1368, Local Control of Minimum Wage.

Commissioners also reviewed schedules and upcoming calendar events.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by:



Lori Dwyer, Deputy Clerk



Thomas C. Davidson, Chair