



# TOWN COUNCIL MEETING UPDATE

*Nov. 1, 2021*



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## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### ***Public Hearings***

- **Colorado Opioids Settlement Memorandum of Understanding**

Town Council approved via ordinance and resolution a memorandum of understanding with the State of Colorado and other participating local governments to share in the proceeds from the settlement of a lawsuit that was filed against certain pharmaceutical companies that made and distributed opioids. The initial estimate of the amount to be allocated to the Town, according to the Office of the Colorado Attorney General, is approximately \$250,000 to be paid out over 18 years, with more of the money paid out in the earlier years. According to the memorandum of understanding, the money can only be used for approved purposes, which means forward-looking strategies to abate the opioid epidemic.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

- **Municipal Code Update - Takeout and Delivery Permit Notification**

To assist restaurants during the COVID pandemic, in 2020, the General Assembly enacted Senate Bill 20-213 (“SB 213”), which allowed certain licensees to sell alcoholic beverages for takeout and delivery. House Bill 21-1027 (“HB 1027”) extends the ability of certain licensees to continue to sell alcohol for both takeout and delivery to July 1, 2025. Town Council approved this ordinance requiring those licensees operating in Parker that have obtained a state-issued permit for delivery and takeout of alcohol to notify the Town.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

- **Municipal Code Update - Communal Outdoor Dining Areas**

House Bill 21-1027 (“HB 1027”) allows local licensing authorities to begin permitting what is referred to as “communal outdoor dining areas.” Town Council approved this ordinance authorizing the Special Licensing Authority to allow communal outdoor dining areas.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

- **Municipal Code Update - Festival Permits**

Previously, only a limited winery or winery manufacturer could host what were referred to as “wine festivals.” Senate Bill 21-082 (“SB 082”) now allows additional licensees to begin hosting festivals under a “festival permit.” Town Council approved this ordinance requiring qualified licensees to obtain a permit from the Town in order to host a festival in Parker.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

### ***Public Hearings - First Readings; Second Readings Set for Nov. 15***

- **2022 Annual Budget Approval**

Internal work on the 2022 Town of Parker Annual Budget began in mid-July and was followed by three Council Study Sessions. This item, set for a second reading of Nov. 15, requests final approval of the 2022 budget by Town Council.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

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## **PUBLIC HEARINGS (con't)**

### ***Resolutions***

- **Chambers Road Expansion Project Agreement**

Town Council approved an agreement and passed a resolution that will accelerate the completion of the portion of Chambers Road that will be constructed as part of the Anthology North Development. This will include a full principal arterial roadway section (six lanes) between the intersection of Hess Road and Stroh Road. In accordance with the annexation agreement and partial waiver resolution, one-half (three lanes) of Chambers Road through the Anthology North Property is to be constructed as part of development. The first portion of the new roadway, between Hess Road and Bramwell Drive, was to be constructed prior to release of the first building permit on the property. The second segment, between Bramwell Drive and Stroh Road (“the gap”), was to be constructed prior to the release of the first building permit within Anthology North Segment 1B or 1C. The Town would ultimately be responsible for widening Chambers Road between Hess Road and Stroh Road to a full principal arterial section (six lanes) in the future. Because of development that is occurring to the south (Looking Glass and Trails at Crowfoot), Town staff realized there could be a benefit in trying to accelerate the completion of Chambers Road and started discussions with the Anthology North development team several months ago.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

- **Town of Parker Policy Manual Adjustments**

The Town of Parker Policy Manual consolidates Town Council policies adopted by Town Council Resolution into a reference document that is both accessible and transparent. Town Council passed a pair of resolutions that amend the Council Liaison Policy and the Consent Agenda Policy. Town Council Liaisons are Councilmembers who are assigned to serve on various boards, agencies and community groups. The purpose of the adjustments to the Council Liaison Policy are to: a) define the process by which Council Liaison appointments are identified and assigned; b) define the roles and responsibilities of a Council Liaison; c) differentiate between Council Liaison roles and other appointments made by Council to various boards, agencies and community groups; and d) provide agencies and community groups with clarity as to the role and expectations of a Council Liaison. The Consent Agenda is a method to expeditiously handle routine matters coming before the Council. The purpose of the adjustments to the Consent Agenda Policy are to allow for more efficiency with citizen and staff time regarding routine items while maintaining accountability and transparency.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

- **Greater Parker Foundation**

Town Council approved via resolution modernized and updated articles of incorporation and bylaws for the Greater Parker Foundation. The Greater Parker Foundation works to support and enhance the hometown feeling and quality of life for the Parker area through fundraising and support of community goals and needs. Tax-deductible donations made to the foundation offer financial support for community programs hosted within the Cultural and Police Departments, as well as Town of Parker events. A second resolution was also approved by Council replacing Jeff Toborg with Anne Barrington on the Foundation’s Board of Directors.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

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## CONSENT AGENDA

### ***First Readings - Second Readings Scheduled for Nov. 15***

- **2021 Annual Budget Adjustments**

Adjustments for the current year's budget are submitted to Council for consideration several times per year. Supplemental amendments consist of additional/new appropriation requests that were not anticipated at the time of budget development. For supplemental amendments, additional revenue or available cash is the source of funding. The net revisions in this request amounted to \$5,104,640 more in revenue than expenditures.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

- **2022 Property Tax Mill Levy**

The Town of Parker must certify a mill levy to Douglas County prior to Dec. 15 in order to collect property taxes for the 2022 budget year. The Town cannot increase the mill levy without a vote of the citizens; therefore, the mill levy will continue to remain 2.602 mills. The voters approved exemption of Town revenues from the TABOR amendment, so the restriction to an increase of the local growth factor plus inflation does not apply. The owner of a home valued at \$300,000 would pay \$56 per year in property taxes to the Town of Parker.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

- **Downtown Sidewalk Improvements**

The Town of Parker is anticipating beginning construction of proposed sidewalk improvements on the north side of Mainstreet between Victorian Drive (east intersection) and PACE Center Drive (Discovery Park area) in 2022/2023. This proposed ordinance would provide notice of the Town of Parker's intent to acquire a needed permanent fee (right-of-way) area and a temporary construction easement area for the project. Town staff and consultant(s) will utilize good faith negotiations with the affected property owner, and the property owner has been contacted about the project improvements. As with all Town acquisitions, staff is optimistic that the affected property owner will come to an agreement with the Town on conveyance of these needed areas. This ordinance authorizes Town staff and/or consultant(s) to initiate the acquisition of the needed fee (right-of-way) acquisition area and temporary construction easement area.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

## **CONSENT AGENDA (con't)**

### ***First Readings - Second Readings Scheduled for Nov. 15 (con't)***

- **Downtown Sidewalk Easement Vacation**

In 2007, Parker Water and Sanitation District (PWSD) granted the Town of Parker a public sidewalk easement on their property at 19801 Mainstreet. This property is now owned by Partnering for Parker's Progress (P3), the Town's Urban Renewal Authority. This roughly 10-foot deep permanent sidewalk easement was granted along the Mainstreet frontage for both planned sidewalk improvements to the adjacent intersection (completed in 2008) and contemplated future sidewalk improvements to the east (toward the Pine Drive intersection). P3 funded sidewalk improvements between the Mainstreet/Victorian Drive (east) intersection and Discovery Park in 2020, and a design consultant has been engaged to advance the design of these proposed sidewalk improvements. P3 wishes to dedicate the needed right-of-way (fee) to the Town for the proposed sidewalk improvements. Due to this proposed dedication of right-of-way, the existing sidewalk easement is no longer needed and can be vacated. An ordinance is needed to approve this easement vacation.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

- **Pine Drive Annexation and Zoning**

The applicant, Douglas County School District (DCSD), proposes to annex and zone a 1.95-acre property located at the intersection of Pine Drive and Hills Drive in Douglas County into the Town of Parker. DCSD proposes to annex the property into the Town to assemble this relatively small property with a larger 17-acre property to the south for the development of a project called the Innovation Campus containing a new alternative education high school and continuing technical education school. The subject property is proposed to be zoned PF-Public Facilities to permit school use. A public hearing date of Nov. 15 has been set for consideration of these items.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

- **Douglas County School District Stormwater Permit Agreement**

The Douglas County School District (DCSD) and the Town of Parker are seeking to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with regard to the administration of their respective state stormwater discharge permits for DCSD sites located within the Town's boundaries. This agreement would benefit the Town, as it would guarantee staff the ability to inspect and comment on the functionality of ponds, inlets, storm pipes and other storm facilities to which the Town previously had no legal access.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

- **Parker Auto Plaza Development Guide Amendment**

The applicant is proposing to amend the Parker Auto Plaza PD zoning to revise the permitted uses listed in the Development Guide for Commercial Use Areas to include auto body repair as an allowed use under Service Establishments.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

## **CONSENT AGENDA (con't)**

### ***First Readings - Second Readings Scheduled for Nov. 15 (con't)***

- **Building Code Updates**

The Town of Parker's Building Division has proposed a series of ordinances that would update the Town's building codes to match industry best practices. The Town amends the Building Code on a three-year cycle to ensure that proposed construction projects are reviewed and approved using the most current standards in the field.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**

### ***Motions, Contracts, Resolutions, Proclamations, Agreements***

- **Contracts Over \$100,000**

Three contracts over the amount of \$100,000 was awarded by Town Council:

1. A professional services agreement with Give 5 Productions, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$130,000, for its services as one of the three theater production companies Parker Arts will utilize for theatrical presentations and educational offerings. Performance Agreements will also be issued for each individual production that outline the specific details and compensation for each unique production.
2. A professional services agreement with Inspire Creative, in an amount not to exceed \$130,000, for its services as one of the three theater production companies Parker Arts will utilize for theatrical presentations and educational offerings. Performance Agreements will also be issued for each individual production that outline the specific details and compensation for each unique production.
3. A modification to the existing 2021 Townwide Concrete Replacement Program contract with Stone & Concrete, Inc., in the amount of \$1,257,509.31. Savings realized by lower than expected pricing have resulted in additional funds in the Streets R&M budget being available to complete additional repairs. This contract modification will provide an additional \$150,000 for this program.

**Approved 4-0 (In Favor: Barrington, Diak, Poage, Rivero)**