



ARAPAHOE COUNTY

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# Arapahoe County

## Board of County Commissioners Study Session

### Meeting Minute Summaries

**Tuesday, March 18, 2025**  
**9:00 AM**

**Administration Building**  
**5334 S. Prince St.**  
**Littleton, CO 80120**  
**West Hearing Room**

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**Commissioners Present**

Carrie Warren-Gully  
Jeff Baker  
Jessica Campbell  
Leslie Summey  
Rhonda Fields

**Others Present**

Ron Carl  
John Christofferson  
Michelle Halstead  
Cooney Sarracino  
Callie Pecore  
Daniela Villarreal  
Ed Bowditch  
Jennifer Cassell  
Jennifer Ludwig  
Penny Grande  
Mike Gouin

**9:00 AM Calendar and Board Updates**  
**Michelle Halstead, Director, Commissioners' Office**

### 11:30 AM Boards and Committees Update

Daniela Villarreal, Management Analyst II, Commissioners' Office

### 12:00 PM BREAK

12:30 PM \*Legislative Update

**Attachments:** [Board Summary Report](#)  
[2025 Legislative Issues Guide](#)  
[2025 Internal Legislative Report](#)  
[2025 Public Legislative Report](#)

The purpose of this study session was to provide information on the status of Colorado's state legislative session, including potential impacts to Arapahoe County, and seek Board direction on legislative positions or specific advocacy activities.

Updates on HB25-1269 Building Decarbonization Measures were presented and discussed.

Staff provided further information on HB25-1269 which updates energy benchmarking and recommended BOCC take an amend position. Discussion was held on certain language that staff recommends be amended.

Commissioner asked lobbyist team their perspective on HB25-1269 and if bill is likely to move forward.

Positions from CCAT and CCI were mentioned and both parties oppose HB25-1269.

5-0 in favor of an amend position on HB25-1269 per staff recommendations.

Additional updates were provided to BOCC in reference to HB25-1096 Automated Permits for Clean Energy Technology, HB25-1169 Housing Developments on Faith and Educational Land, SB25-030 Increase Transportation Mode Choice Reduce Emissions, SB25-001 Colorado Voting Right Act, HB25-1147 Fairness & Transparency in Municipal Court, and SB25-024 Judicial Officers.

Background and updates on HB25-1096 Automated Permits for Clean Energy Technology were discussed. The bill would require some counties to implement residential solar permitting platform. BOCC currently in amend position.

Discussion was held regarding CCI and CCAT position with HB25-1096.

Further concerns were raised regarding amendments to bill and if BOCC should consider opposing.

5-0 in favor to oppose HB25-1096.

Updates on HB25-1169 Housing Developments on Faith and Educational Land were presented.

BOCC is currently taking an amend position on HB25-1169.

Amendments and recommendations to language were discussed.

5-0 in favor on an amend position on HB25-1169.

After vote, clarification was made on specific amendments to be made on HB25-1169 including increasing affordability. Staff discussed concerns regarding zoning.

Updates on SB25-030 Increase Transportation Mode Choice Reduce Emissions were discussed.

BOCC is currently taking an amend position on SB25-030. Staff recommends BOCC move from an amend position to a monitor position.

Commissioner asked staff regarding CCI, CCAT and DRCOG positions on SB25-030.

5-0 in favor to move from amend to monitor on SB25-030.

Updates on SB25-001 Colorado Voting Right Act were discussed. Bill is currently sitting in appropriations and Clerk's Association is still currently taking an amend position. Staff does not have recommendation on taking a position currently.

Discussion was held regarding current amendments on SB25-001 and if proposed amendments from BOCC had been included.

County Attorney recommended further discussion be held for SB25-001 and recommended BOCC continue to take no position at this time.

5-0 in favor of taking no position on SB25-001 and further discussion is needed.

Updates on HB25-1147 Fairness & Transparency in Municipal Court were presented. The bill caps the maximum incarceration sentence for a municipal violation

Staff is not currently recommending taking a position on HB25-1147 but would recommend increasing education and awareness of operational impacts with legislatures.

Commissioner discussed further education, and that more information is needed prior to BOCC taking position.

Commissioner asked staff regarding the other parties and their positions on HB25-1147.

5-0 in favor of taking no position on HB25-1147 until further discussion is held.

Staff presented update on SB25-024 Judicial Officers. SB25-024 passed and will head to the Governor.

Commissioner highlighted concerns regarding SB25-024 and the impacts that it will have on Arapahoe County.

Discussion was held by staff and lobbying team regarding updates on JBC, TANF, & CCCAP.

Commissioner provided update regarding an emergency meeting that was held regarding budget and budget cuts. Commissioner asked if there were anything that BOCC could do that have legislatively been put in place to help decrease the number of cuts that would need to be made to the budget.

Conversation regarding strategic plan was held.

5-0 in favor of continuing with staff strategic plan.

Updates were presented on HB25-1272 Construction Defects, HB25-1247 County Lodging Tax Expansion, and HB25-1208 Local Governments Tip Offsets for Tipped Employees.

HB25-1272 Construction Defects and the current amendments were discussed.

Commissioner clarified with staff regarding the amendments that were proposed, highlighting the addition of using a certificate of occupancy as a rebuttable presumption.

HB25-1272 is in committee and will need time to determine if amendments were made.

Item concluded without vote due to bill being in committee.

Updates on HB25-1247 County Lodging Tax Expansion were presented. This bill would provide counties more leeway on lodging tax. Municipalities have no cap on the lodging tax.

Discussion was held regarding language surrounding HB25-1247. Commissioner voiced concern with a proposed decrease of the lodging tax percentage from 6% to 5% and is in support of the 6% as CCI originally proposed.

Commissioner recommended a support position on HB25-1247 but with the original 6% lodging tax.

5-0 in favor of support position on HB25-1247 with the original 6%.

Staff presented updates on HB25-1208 Local Governments Tip Offsets for Tipped Employees.

Commissioner held discussion regarding HB25-1208 and the amendments that moved forward and recommended BOCC take no position on bill.

Staff clarified that a draft bill has not yet been seen. Once the bill is seen by staff, staff would be able to make recommendations to BOCC on position for HB25-1208.

Item concluded without vote. Discussion will be extended as to receive more information.

Meeting went into Recess

## **STUDY SESSION TOPICS**

2:00 PM \*Arapahoe County Public Health New Room Names - 6964 S. Lima St.

**Attachments:** [Board Summary Report](#)  
[Conference Room Names](#)

Meeting Reconvened

The purpose of this study session was that the Arapahoe County Public Health's (ACPH) lease for its administrative office (6162 S. Willow Drive, Greenwood Village) expires in August 2025. As part of a larger space consolidation plan, ACPH will be moving to the Lima campus, into the building vacated by Arapahoe/Douglas Works! New names for the conference rooms have been created, and ACPH was requesting BOCC review and approve suggested room names for this project.

A background of the request was presented.

Staff is seeking approval on suggested room names for conference rooms. The proposed room names include Columbine, Lupine, Bluebell, and Sugarbowl.

Commissioner commented on the room name Columbine. Commissioner noted another county building has a conference room named Columbine Valley and that the closely related names could cause confusion.

5-0 in favor of staff's request on suggested room names.

## **2:15 PM Administrative Meeting with Public Works Director**

### **3:15 PM \*Executive Session**

**Executive Session and County Attorney Administrative Meeting [Section 24-6-402(4)(b)C.R.S.](As required by law, specific agenda topics will be announced in open meeting prior to the commencement of the closed and confidential portion of this session)**

**Ron Carl, County Attorney**

**The motion was made by Commissioner Baker and duly seconded by Commissioner Fields that the Board go into executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(f) of the Colorado Revised Statutes to discuss the compensation of directors.**

**The motion passed 5-0.**

**The meeting was adjourned.**

**\*Virtual/Streamed**