



ARAPAHOE COUNTY

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Arapahoe County

Board of County Commissioners Study Session

Meeting Minute Summaries

Tuesday, October 28, 2025
1:00 PM

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

Others Present

Ron Carl
John Christofferson
Michelle Halstead
Cooney Sarracino
Callie Pecore
Ceila Rethamel
Mike Dino
John Criscuolo

11:30 AM Boards and Committees Update
Daniela Villarreal, Management Analyst II, Commissioners' Office

12:00 PM BREAK

***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 Warren-Gully and duly seconded by Commissioner Campbell that the Board go into executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(b) of the Colorado Revised Statutes to receive legal advice regarding aid to agency agreements.

Motion passed unanimously.

STUDY SESSION TOPICS

1:00 PM *Reallocation of Capital Project Savings

Attachments: [Board Summary Report](#)

The purpose of this study session was to secure Board approval to reallocate approximately \$1.2 million in project savings for several existing capital projects where bids exceeded estimates as well as unforeseen capital projects associated with additional staff requests throughout the county. If approved, this would enable contract work to continue, formalizing decisions during the Q3 2025 budget supplemental as well as the 2026 capital budget.

A background of the request was presented.

As part of the capital project closeout, staff have identified approximately \$3 million from at least 6 projects.

The projects within the request were reviewed and discussed.

Commissioner asked staff regarding the processes surrounding the funding requests and project planning.

Commissioner asked regarding the funding reallocation and the funds in the savings for CIP.

Discussion was held surrounding the historical fund balances and projected funds in the CIP and CEF.

Commissioner made comment on the excess money that was found in savings and the importance of ensuring funds are being utilized efficiently.

4-0 in favor of request. Commissioner Baker appeared virtually. Commissioner Fields absent and excused.

1:15 PM *Infrastructure Design and Construction Standards 2025 Update

Attachments: [Board Summary Report](#)
[AC Decision Support Framework](#)
[Presentation](#)
[IDCS 2025 Update](#)
[IDCS 2025 Update \(redline\)](#)

The purpose of this study session was to 1. Present highlights of the changes made to the IDCS 2. Provide a summary of comments received on the draft IDCS 3. Request authorization to finalize the IDCS for BOCC adoption on January 13, 2026.

A PowerPoint presentation was presented, a copy of which has been retained for the record.

Staff presented the request and background for the 2025 Infrastructure Design and Construction Standards revisions (IDCS).

A summary of highlighted changes to the IDCS were listed and reviewed.

The relationship between Arapahoe County and SEMSWA was discussed.

Staff provided insight regarding subsurface underground engineering as it relates to utilities.

Internal feedback provided was presented.

Commissioner asked for clarification on internal feedback.

Discussion was held regarding road conditions, and the pavement moratorium designation change from 2 years to Overall Condition Index of 90 or higher.

Commissioner asked for clarification on the moratorium and when impact fees would be applied. Further discussion was held regarding the language within the moratorium and the fees that would be associated.

Graphics were displayed to show pavement restoration, and sight distance examples.

External feedback was presented and discussed.

Staff discussed future revisions that were identified.

Next steps and timeline for adoption of revised IDCS was reviewed and discussed.

Commissioner asked staff to explain the preference for smaller changes more frequently vs. larger changes less frequently.

4-0 in favor of approving IDCS revisions to be sent for public hearing. Commissioner Baker appeared virtually. Commissioner Fields absent and excused.

2:00 PM *Federal Lobbyist Update

Attachments: [Board Summary Report Presentation](#)

The purpose of this study session was to provide an update on federal advocacy activities to the Board of County Commissioners.

A PowerPoint presentation was presented, a copy of which has been retained for the record.

Staff provided a breakdown of national news items. Discussion was held surrounding the Federal Government shutdown and the likelihood of reopening. Shutdown impacts were discussed, which included impacts to SNAP, and WIC programs.

Commissioner voiced concern surrounding the Democratic and Republican parties coming to an agreement on a continuing resolution (CR).

Commissioner asked why certain states are declaring state of emergency.

Discussion was held regarding the CR that the House passed to keep federal operations going until November 21.

Commissioner made comment to clarify that the USDA will not use contingency funds to assist and that it is illegal for USDA to use contingency funds to assist in the reimbursement to states because there has not been a state of emergency declared at the federal level.

A graphic was displayed showing the grants throughout the United States that has had funding halted by the US administration.

An image of the United States was presented showing the percentage growth in Affordable Care Act marketplace sign-ups.

A chart was presented showing the percentages of voters who have either seen, read or heard about certain news items that have been occurring at the federal level.

A graph was displayed showing the average annual contributions to premiums for family health insurance coverage.

An image showing the estimated strength of each states' economy was presented.

A graph was presented showing the consumer sentiment trends lowering.

A bar graph was displayed to show the renewable energy wanes in the United States.

Another graph was presented showing the Colorado EV sales and the home-charging being cheaper than purchasing gasoline.

FY 2026 appropriations were listed and reviewed.

The congressional schedule for the remainder of the year was presented.

Commissioner asked staff for clarification on if Colorado is a contributor state and if there are conversations about other contributor states looking at ways where they could pull back their dollars.

Presentation concluded without vote. Commissioner Baker appeared virtually. Commissioner Fields absent and excused.

The meeting was adjourned.

3:00 PM Administrative Meeting with Public Works Director

***Virtual/Streamed**