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# Arapahoe County

## Board of County Commissioners Study Session

### Meeting Minute Summaries

**Tuesday, March 11, 2025**  
**12:30 PM**

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

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#### **Commissioners Present**

Carrie Warren-Gully  
Jessica Campbell  
Leslie Summey  
Rhonda Fields

#### **Others Present**

Ron Carl  
John Christofferson  
Michelle Halstead  
Cooney Sarracino  
Callie Pecore  
Ed Bowditch  
Jennifer Cassell  
Matt VanAuken  
Jessica Savko  
Lisa Stairs

#### **12:00 PM BREAK**

Meeting went into Recess

12:30 PM \*Legislative Update

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

Meeting Reconvened

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.

Lobbyist team presented background and updates on active bills in legislation which could impact Arapahoe County.

Background information on HB25-1271 Federal Benefits for Youth in Foster Care, and HB25-1109 Gender Identity Certificate of Death was presented.

Updates on HB25-1271 were reviewed. HB25-1271 would require a county department of human or social services to determine whether each child in foster care would be eligible to receive benefits administered by certain federal agencies.

Staff raised concerns within the department. Staff asked lobbyist team clarification on verbiage on strike below and work group study included in HB25-1271.

Commissioner clarified with staff on how the county would be impacted with current language in bill.

Discussion was held around implementation and how funding would be used for the children in foster care.

Commissioner asked staff for recommendations on position.

Staff recommended amendments for the language in bill or for BOCC to oppose.

Discussion was held regarding amending bill and what amendments would be impactful for HB25-1271 to be successful and beneficial.

Commissioners discussed the positions CCI, CCAT, counties, and other stakeholders are taking on HB25-1271.

4-0 in favor of amend position. Commissioner Baker absent and excused.

Updates on HB25-1109 Gender Identity Certificate of Death were reviewed. The bill would require an individual who completes a certificate of death to record the decedent's sex to reflect the individual's

gender identity.

Staff recommended a support position.

Commissioner shared County Coroner's perspective on bill and asked staff if BOCC would make any difference with a position or if bill will likely pass without BOCC taking stance.

4-0 in favor for support. Commissioner Baker absent and excused.

Staff presented updates on HB25-1286 Protecting Workers from Extreme Temperatures. The bill would require employers to implement protections for workers that are exposed to extreme hot and/or cold temperatures.

Discussion was held regarding the additional requirements and how county would be impacted financially if HB25-1286 were to pass.

Staff recommended to take no stance instead of amending and further discussion was held regarding the business industry standards.

4-0 in favor of taking no position. Commissioner Baker absent and excused.

Lobbyist team presented further updates on HB25-1169 Housing Developments on Faith and Educational Land, SB25-001 Colorado Voting Rights Act, and HB25-1190 Expanding Colorado Cottage Foods Act.

Commissioner asked staff regarding Colorado Clerk Association's stance on SB25-001.

Discussion concluded with no vote. Commissioner Baker absent and excused.

## STUDY SESSION TOPICS

2:00 PM \*Developmental Pathways Annual Mill Levy Review

**Attachments:** [Board Summary Report](#)  
[Presentation](#)  
[FY24 Annual Reporting](#)  
[FY24 Arapahoe County Report](#)  
[Arapahoe County Mill Levy Agreement](#)  
[Arapahoe County Mill Levy 2021 Amendment](#)  
[2024 AUP Report](#)  
[FY24 Consolidated Organization Surveys and Audits Draft](#)  
[FY24 Community Providers Funded](#)  
[FY24 DP Funding Expenditures](#)

The purpose of this study session was for Developmental Pathways to provide an informational session

on the use of mill levy funds in Fiscal Year 2024 to support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities/delays (I/DD) in Arapahoe County in accordance with Referendum 4A passed in 2001. Developmental Pathways will allow time for discussion and input from the Board on future use of funding.

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

Developmental Pathways CEO presented background information on DP and the use of the mill levy funds from FY 2024.

Graphic was displayed showing the number of people served as well as the demographic of individuals served.

DP staff presented the community impact that DP has on individuals with I/DD and the importance of mill levy funding.

DP three business pillars were presented. Early Intervention Services, Long-term Care and Case Management, and Local I/DD Community Programming are the three business pillars that the mill levy funding from FY 2024 were used for.

A chart showing Arapahoe County Expenditures for the mill levy were displayed showing 51% used for Supportive Community Programming, 33.8% Direct to Community, and 15.7% for Fund Balance.

DP staff described Wrap-around Care Coordination and what that care coordination looks like in action.

Commissioner clarified with staff regarding funding usage for families that may not know a child may need intervention.

Direct I/DD local programming and the impacts of the programming were presented.

Graphics were displayed to show the management, and general expenses are down to 11.75% of total revenue.

The Community Outreach Waitlist Programming was presented with a story of community impact.

The importance of safeguarding system stability was discussed and DP staff highlighted organizational stability, system and program stability, and community stability.

Upcoming celebrations were shared.

Commissioner thanked DP staff for their work with the families in the community and individuals with I/DD. Commissioner asked staff how DP works to help those who they cannot assist.

Commissioner asked DP staff regarding the number of families/individuals that had to be turned away in FY 2024.

Commissioner clarified funding use and if the equity of each family in the DP programming is taken into consideration.

Presentation concluded without vote. Commissioner Baker absent and excused.

3:00 PM \*2025 Reappropriation of 2024 Budget

**Attachments:** [Board Summary Report](#)  
[Staff Report](#)  
[2025 Reappropriation Request Detail](#)

The purpose of this study session was to review the recommended funds to be reappropriated during 2025, as well as the amounts to be committed for Board policy reserves. The budget adoption resolution for 2025 gives the County Finance Director the discretion to recommend which items are eligible and appropriate for reappropriation pursuant to County's policies. The recommendations are subject to approval by the Board of County Commissioners. The adopted resolution to reappropriate funds will increase the 2025 appropriations for elected offices and departments and therefore requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public hearing, which is currently scheduled for March 25, 2024.

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

An overview of the policy and process was presented. A list of fund balances that will be reappropriated were listed.

A timeline of the reappropriation process was presented.

A chart of 2025 reappropriations was displayed and reviewed.

The 2025 reappropriations for the General Fund were presented. Key items within the general fund were listed and discussed.

The 2025 reappropriations for other funds were presented. Key items within the other funds were listed and discussed.

The 2025 reappropriations for the Capital Project were presented.

The Infrastructure Fund was reviewed, and reappropriations within the fund was discussed.

Updates since the EBC meeting were presented. Staff provided updates and clarifications for funds.

Staff presented the next steps regarding the reappropriations.

The proposed policy reserves were presented. Additional supplementals for the 2024 and 2025 budgets were reviewed.

BOCC agrees to bring reappropriation requests to public hearing on March 25, 2025. Commissioner Baker absent and excused.

**The meeting was adjourned.**

**\*Virtual/Streamed**