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Board of County Commissioners Study Session

Meeting Minute Summaries

Monday, October 14, 2024
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
Bill Holen

Others Present

Ron Carl
John Christofferson
Michelle Halstead
Cooney Sarracino
Nathan Steele
Cody O'Brien
Bryan Weimer
Robert Hill

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

11:30 AM E-Team Chair Update

Todd Weaver, Finance Director, E-Team Chair

Kim Williams, Chief Deputy, Treasurer's Office, E-Team Vice Chair

12:00 PM BREAK

STUDY SESSION TOPICS

1:00 PM *Xcel Wildfire Mitigation Overview

Attachments: [Board Summary Report](#)
[Presentation](#)

The purpose of this study session was to for Xcel Energy provide an update on ongoing wildfire mitigation work and provide an overview of the 2025-2027 wildfire mitigation plan.

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

Context for the wildfire mitigation was presented.

The reasons for outages regarding power were listed. The different categories for outages were reviewed. Personnel discussed outage preparedness.

Current wildfire mitigation was presented. Personnel's work is focused on reducing wildfires in the communities. The focus will be enhanced powerline safety settings. The setting is meant to allow powerlines to operate with the ability to shut off energy if needed. Xcel may also utilize public safety power shutoff.

Commissioner Summey arrived at 1:06 PM.

Different technologies used to mitigate wildfires was presented.

Xcel is focusing on a communication timeline for public safety power shutoffs. The communication would provide notice to officials and community.

Commissioner asked personnel regarding the possibility of future outages or rolling blackouts.

Xcel's proposed investment and improvements were presented. A proposed rate increase was discussed to fund improvements.

The next steps for the wildlife mitigation plan were reviewed.

Presentation concluded without vote.

1:15 PM *2025 Legislative Principles and Process

Attachments: [Board Summary Report](#)
[2025 Legislative Principles \(redline\)](#)

The purpose of this study session was to discuss revisions to the 2025 Arapahoe County Legislative Principles.

Staff presented the BOCC with the 2025 Legislative Principles.

The Legislative Principles were reviewed section by section.

Commissioner asked about background language that may need to be adjusted for the strategic plan. Staff may want to add language to reflect.

BOCC agreed to the changes.

Staff presented changes to Federal items. Language is preferred to be broad for flexibility.

State items were reviewed. Staff discussed the language regarding the increase in caseload for the 18th Judicial District. Staff felt that continued support for a system of care and overhaul of benefit management system was in alignment. Commissioners discussed the placement of increasing affordable housing in the principles. Staff will find placement for housing and land use. Staff felt it was important to promote funding for Temporary Assistant for Needy Families.

Commissioner asked about technology improvements and budget shortfalls languages in unfunded mandates.

Commissioners agree to language change.

Local control and outcome-based decision making were reviewed. BOCC discussed the proposed language that would reflect the County as the implementors. Commissioner also asked about the inclusions of increasing tools for revenue.

Commissioner asked about the necessity of some language in revenue predictability for clarification.

Commissioner asked staff to reorganize the discussion with justice and public safety.

Justice and public safety as reviewed. Staff updated the language regarding the judicial district, and Commissioner wanted to update other language.

Minor edits to land use, housing, transportation were reviewed. Commissioner wanted to add language for coordination with the state for housing.

Presentation concluded without vote.

Meeting went into Recess

2:30 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

Meeting Reconvened

Administrative Item: Proposed amendments to parking ordinance that was previously read was presented. First is to make parking in a bicycle lane a finable offense with definitions. The second amendment is to add language that includes parking meters. The third is clarification for oversized commercial vehicle parking in particular boundaries. Commissioner discussed the oversized commercial vehicle parking uniformity throughout the county. The fourth clarification is defining inoperable vehicles. BOCC discussed the definition of inoperable and unregistered vehicles. BOCC and staff discussed the effective date versus the enforcement date.

Commissioner Summey left at 3:03 PM.

The motion was made by Commissioner Baker and duly seconded by Commissioner Holen that the Board go into executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(b) of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to legal advice regarding a right-of-way dedication issue.

The motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Summey absent and excused.

The meeting was adjourned.

***Virtual/Streamed**