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Arapahoe County

Board of County Commissioners Study Session

Meeting Minute Summaries

Monday, September 30, 2024
9:15 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
Melissa Valentine
Sergeant Brian Starbuck
Cody O'Brien

9:15 AM Calendar and Board Updates
Michelle Halstead, Director, Commissioners' Office

12:00 PM BREAK

STUDY SESSION TOPICS

1:00 PM *K9 Retirements

Attachments: [Board Summary Report](#)
[Doc Retirement Agreement](#)
[Atlas Retirement Agreement](#)

The purpose of this study session was to request the Board of County Commissioners to approve and authorize the Sheriff to sign the Canine Retirement Agreements between Arapahoe County and Tyler Fechner and James Stiltner, both deputy sheriffs and former canine handlers for the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office. ACSO has made the determination to medically retire two canines. The Sheriff's Office requests moving this item to consent agenda for formal approval and signature authorization.

A background of the request was presented.

Sergeant Starbuck indicated two active canines are ready to retire early due to medical issues. Both canines have been removed from service and are ready to be formally retired.

3-0 in favor of moving the item to consent agenda for formal approval and signature authorization. Commissioner Warren-Gully and Commissioner Holen absent and excused

1:15 PM * 2025 CCI Legislative Proposals Discussion

Attachments: [Board Summary Report](#)
[CCI Priority Legislation Voting Position Recommendations](#)

The purpose of this study session was to review the legislative proposals under consideration and finalize recommendations for official voting at the Oct. 4, 2024, Colorado Counties Inc. (CCI) legislative committee and membership meeting.

Commissioner Holen arrived at 1:11 PM.

A background of the request was presented.

Commissioner Warren-Gully arrived at 1:14 PM.

Staff indicated the purpose of the discussion was to get direction for the designated voter on legislative proposals prior to the CCI vote on October 4, 2024.

Agriculture, Wildlife, & Rural Affairs

- Treatment of Agricultural Land in Urban Renewal Authorities (Larimer County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Proposal was previously brought forward and vetoed. 5-0 in forward of support.

General Government

- Flexibility to Decrease County Salaries (Dolores County) - Background of the proposal was presented, and it does not apply to Arapahoe County. Commissioner proposed an abstain position. 5-0 in favor of an abstain position.
- Eliminating Ree on Paper Carry Out Bags (El Paso County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Commissioner proposed an oppose position. 5-0 in favor of an oppose position.

Health & Human Services

- Retail Food Establishment Fee (Eagle County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Staff recommended a position of support. Staff discussed the pros and cons of the proposal. Commissioner proposed a support position along with CALPO support. 5-0 in favor of a support position.

Justice & Public Safety

- Minimum Sentencing for Child Prostitution Offenses (Douglas County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Staff recommended a support position. Bill would require a mandatory minimum jail sentence for crimes against children including trafficking. 5-0 in favor of a support position with an amendment passed by CCI.
- Responsibility of Employer in Civil Judgement for Civil Rights Violations (Fremont County) - Background of the proposal was presented. 5-0 in favor of a support position.
- County Courthouse Funding (El Paso County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Staff recommended a support position. 5-0 in favor of a support position.

Land Use & Natural Resources

- Improvements to Water Sampling for Impaired Stream Segments (Mesa County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Commissioner requested submitting questions for clarification. 5-0 to oppose if posed questions are not answered or otherwise abstain.

Taxation & Finance

- Increase Cap of County Lodging Tax (La Plata County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Commissioner discussed the application to Arapahoe County. 5-0 in favor of a support position.
- Electric Vehicle Charging Station Tax Collection (Yuma County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Commissioner recommended an oppose position. 5-0 in favor of an oppose position.
- County Revenue Diversification (Clear Creek & Summit Counties) - Background of the proposal was presented. Staff recommended a support position. 5-0 in favor of a support position.
- Property Tax Proceedings (Eagle County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Staff recommended a support position. 5-0 in favor of a support position with a requirement all cases be heard in district court.

- Ability for Local Governments to Implement a Real Estate Transfer Tax with voter appeal (Pitkin County) - Background of the proposal was presented. 5-0 in favor of a support position.

Tourism, Resorts & Economic Development

- Construction Defect Reform (El Paso County) - Background of the proposal was presented. The bill was compared to previous years similar legislation. 5-0 in favor of an abstain position with a note to stay involved with CCI.
- Tax Credit Incentives for Sustainable Aviation Fuel (Pitkin County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Staff recommended an abstain position. 5-0 in favor of a support position.

Transportation & Telecommunications

- Permissive Authority to Collect Roadway Maintenance Fee - Background of the proposal was presented. BOCC is withdrawing the proposed legislation.
- Create Additional Transportation Planning Region (Las Animas County) - Background of the proposal was presented. Staff indicated it would not be beneficial for Arapahoe County to get involved. 5-0 in favor of an abstain position with Commissioner permission to oppose.
- Redistribute HUTF funding tiers (Yuma and Elbert Counties) - Background of the proposal was presented. Staff recommended an oppose position. 5-0 in favor of an oppose position.

Responsibility for Railroad Maintenance Projects (Logan County) - Background of the proposal was presented. BOCC had discussion regarding clarification. 5-0 in favor of a support position with the possibility of abstaining.

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

The motion was made by Commissioner Campbell and duly seconded by Commissioner Holen that the Board go into executive session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(f) of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to receive details regarding a Public Health Department partial reorganization impacting certain employees, and pursuant to 24-6-402(4)(b)&(e) of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to develop strategy and receive legal advice on collective bargaining with the FOP.

The motion passed 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned.

***Virtual/Streamed**

