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STUDY SESSION AGENDA  
TUESDAY  
February 20, 2018

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| <b>10:00 A.M.</b> | <b>ATTENDEE(S):</b> Abel Montoya / Adam Burg                                 |
|                   | <b>ITEM:</b> Legislative Update  |
| <b>10:30 A.M.</b> | <b>ATTENDEE(S):</b> Abel Montoya / Adam Burg                                 |
|                   | <b>ITEM:</b> Federal Update / D.C. Trip Discussion                           |
| <b>11:00 A.M.</b> | <b>ATTENDEE(S):</b> Abel Montoya / Adam Burg / Alix Midgley / Rebecca Zamora |
|                   | <b>ITEM:</b> Homelessness Action Plan Initiative                             |
| <b>12:00 P.M.</b> | <b>ATTENDEE(S):</b> Abel Montoya / Adam Burg / Alix Midgley / Rebecca Zamora |
|                   | <b>ITEM:</b> February 20, 2018 Town Hall Snapshot Report                     |
| <b>12:30 P.M.</b> | <b>ATTENDEE(S):</b> Raymond Gonzales   |
|                   | <b>ITEM:</b> Administrative Item Review / Commissioner Communications        |

(AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS OF PUBLIC BUSINESS WHICH MAY ARISE)

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## STUDY SESSION AGENDA ITEM

<b>DATE:</b>	02/20/2018
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Homelessness Action Plan
<b>FROM:</b>	Abel Montoya, Adam Burg, Alix Midgley, and Drew O'Connor
<b>AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:</b>	Department of Regional Affairs
<b>ATTENDEES:</b>	Abel Montoya, Adam Burg, Alix Midgley, Drew O'Connor, Annie Bacci (Corporation for Supportive Housing), and Katie Bonamasso (Corporation for Supportive Housing)
<b>PURPOSE OF ITEM:</b>	Inform BOCC of Homelessness Action Plan
<b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b>	Informational

### **BACKGROUND:**

Inform BOCC of Homelessness Action Plan initiative and introduce Corporation for Supportive Housing.

### **AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS OR OTHER OFFICES INVOLVED:**

Department of Regional Affairs

### **ATTACHED DOCUMENTS:**

- Two Powerpoint presentations: Homelessness Action Plan Intro and CSH Board Presentation

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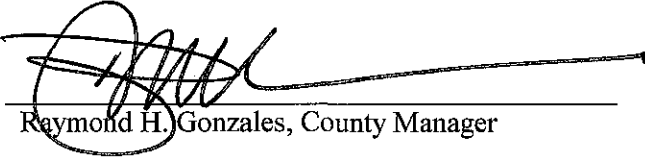
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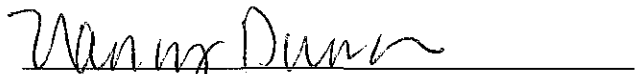
  
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# Adams County Regional Homeless Service System Evaluation and Strategic Planning and Implementation Initiative



## *Homelessness Action Plan*

**Alix Midgley, LSW**  
Homelessness Liaison,  
Dept. of Regional Affairs  
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# Background



- Burnes Center study December 2016
- Increasing visible homelessness across Adams County
- Adams County Coalition for the Homeless begins identifying goals, wants to see action
- Various municipal groups begin working on homelessness-related issues
- Hiring of Homelessness Liaison in County Manager's Office
- Public and political will across region to address homelessness



# Adams County Homelessness Liaison



- Serve as connector between providers, municipalities, county government, persons living in homelessness, and public around homelessness and housing-related issues in the region.
- Support stakeholders with developing regional plan for addressing homelessness, and provide regional coordination of the plan.
- Leverage local, state, federal, and other resources to support homelessness service delivery, planning, and prevention across the region.



# Key Questions

What programs and services do we have currently? How effective are they?

What does it look like for someone to **“move through the system?”**

What are our strengths? Gaps? Vulnerabilities in the future?

What would it look like to have a responsive system to address homelessness in Adams County?

How do we get there and what do we need?

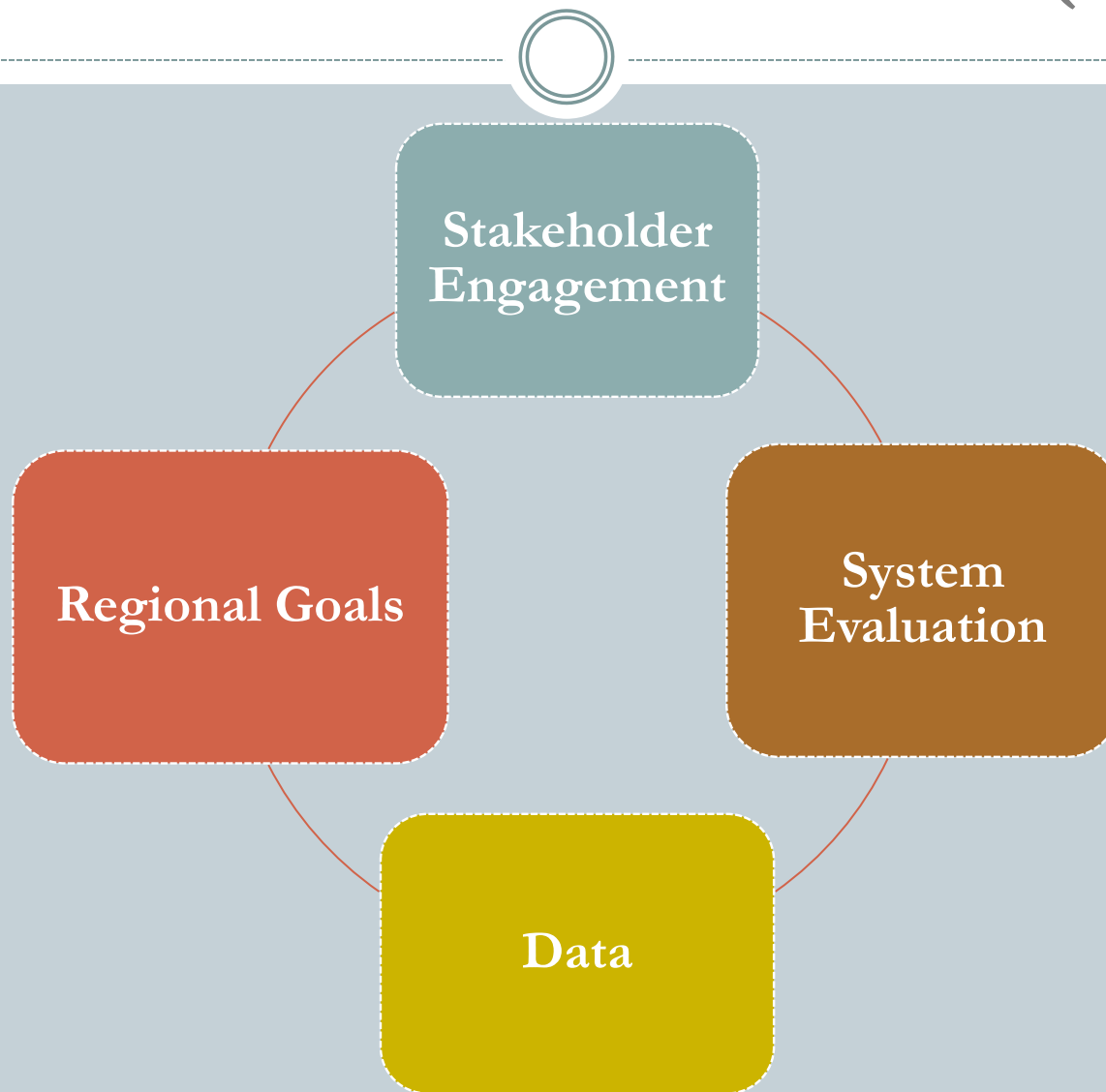
How do we make decisions going forward?

How will we know if we've succeeded?



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# Homelessness Action Plan (HAP):





# HAP Outcomes



Provide information, analysis, and action items leading to:

- Improved coordination of services.
- Efficient and effective service delivery.
- Regionally focused strategy for future funding, planning efforts, policy implementation, program development, and progress evaluation.
- Preserve and promote ongoing stakeholder involvement.

# Adams County: Homeless Services System Evaluation, Strategic Planning, and Implementation

*February 20, 2018*

*Homelessness Action Plan*

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# Introducing CSH

**CSH advances housing solutions that:**



**Improve lives of  
vulnerable  
people**



**Maximize public  
resources**



**Build strong,  
healthy  
communities**

# Overview of Project

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# What are we going to do?

# Evolution to a Coordinated System

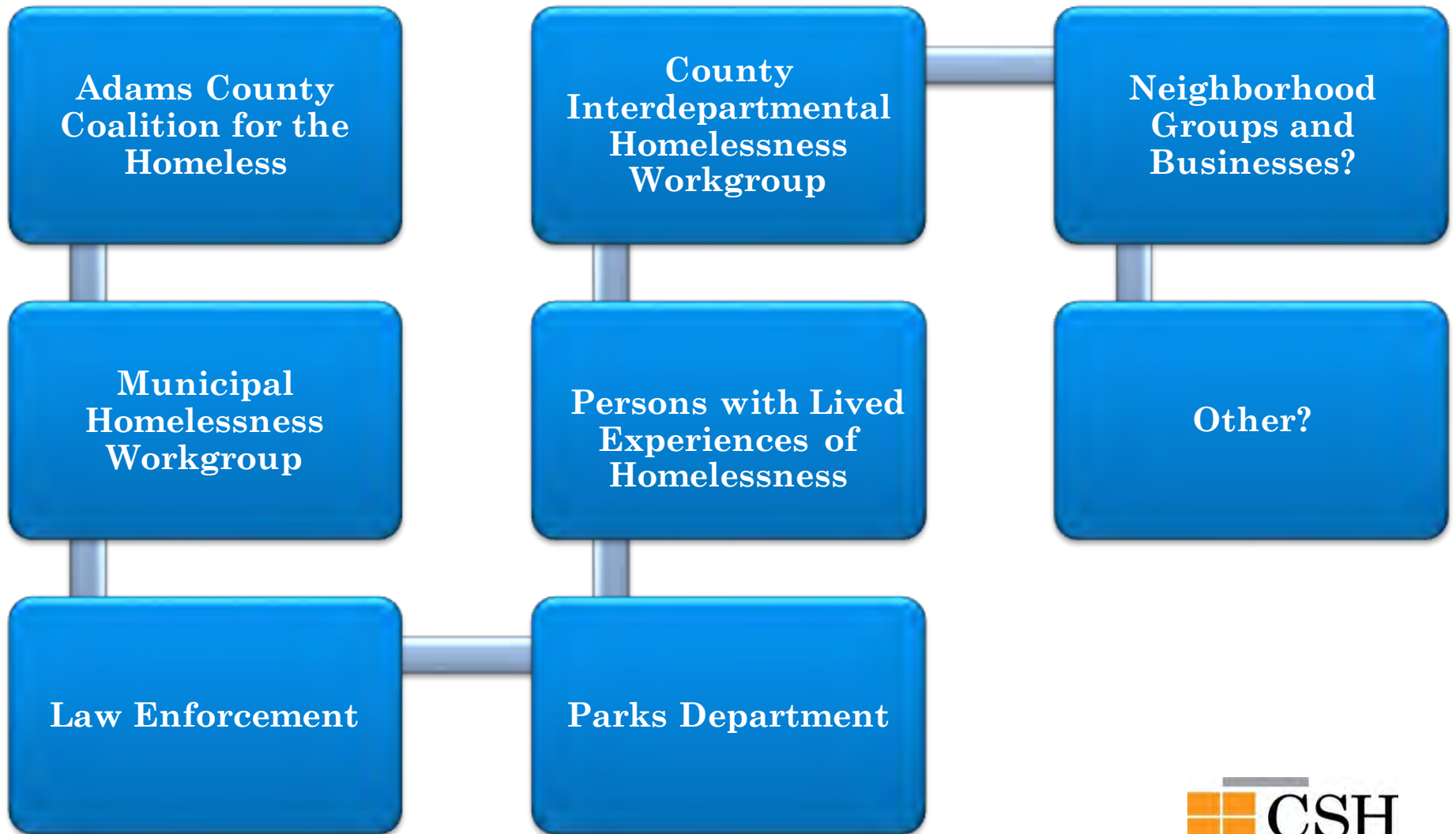


A diverse collection of independent providers employing lots of methods seeking various goals

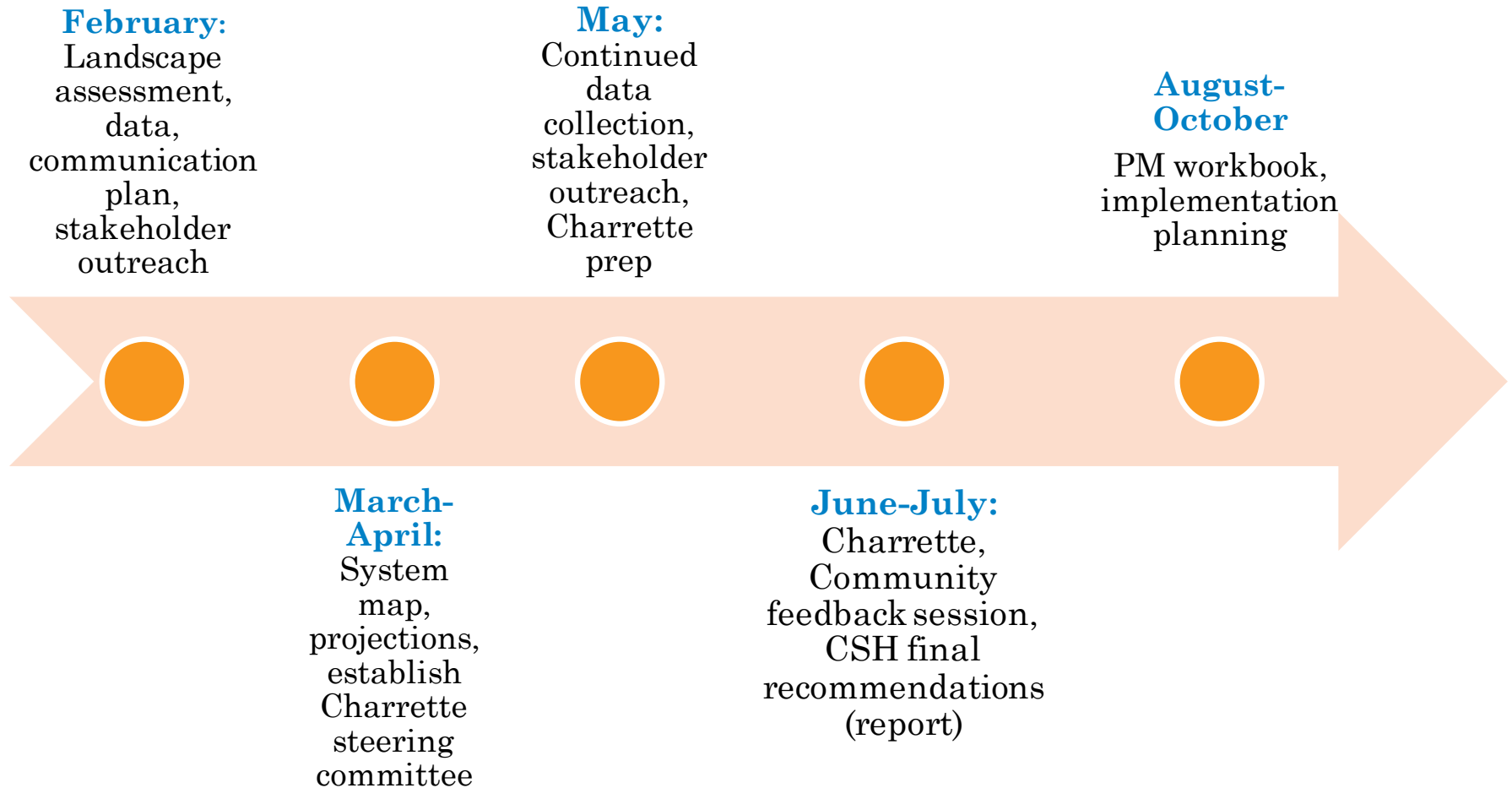


An integrated network of providers coordinating efforts to achieve maximum impact.

# Stakeholder Engagement



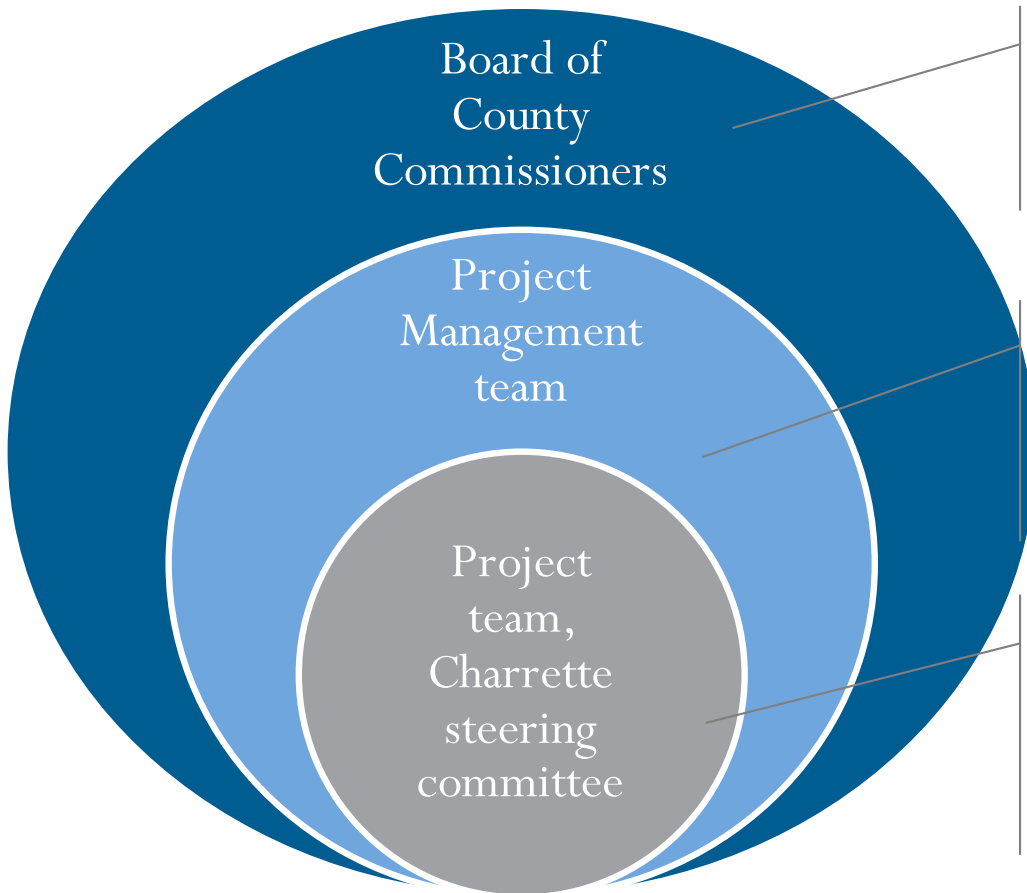
# Timeline & Deliverables





# How are we going to do it?

# Proposed Structure



Meets four times to offer guidance on overall project development;

Meets biweekly to make decisions on proposals put forward by project team, provide strategic oversight & guidance

Meets biweekly to work through the detailed analysis, plan for stakeholder engagement and substance and actively implement project workplan

# What is a Charrette?

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# Background

- **The term "charrette" is derived from the French word for "little cart."**
- **Typically used in Urban Planning, Architecture, Transportation – Physical Plant**
- **CSH developed Policy Oriented Charrette for 10 Year Plan development (new and updated)**



# Purpose

- **A charrette is problem-oriented. The breadth of background of participants assures full discussion of issues, interrelationships, and impacts. Its time limits challenge people to rapidly, openly, and honestly examine the problem and help potential adversaries reach consensus on an appropriate solution.**
- **A charrette calls attention to an issue. It can dramatize:**
  - the need for public attention to resolve an issue;
  - a deliberately participatory problem-solving process;
  - a public agency's openness to suggestions;
  - a search for all possible approaches to a question; and
  - a democratically-derived consensus.

<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/reports/pittd/charrett.htm>

# Benefits

- **Turns 2 years of planning into 4 – 6 months**
  - 4-5 months pre-planning
  - One week of “Charrette”
  - One month follow-up
- **Quickly establishes an open, “safe” environment for sharing concerns and asking questions**
- **Moves the conversation forward Confronts “gnarliest” issues**



# Benefits

- Opens up diverse participation across sectors
- Increases community interest in issue (i.e. ending homelessness)
- Creates stage for accountability at all levels
- Strengthens relationships across systems, programs, and funders



# Issue Areas

## Policy

- Consideration of state and local policies impacting those (e.g. “Right to Rest)
- Aligning new and existing policies with national best practices and evidence base

## Program Design

- Supportive housing vs. temporary/short-term solutions
- Housing-focused emergency shelter
- Flex funding and move-in support

## Investments

- Investments in new supportive housing solutions
- Aligning current resources with best practices
- Common values and outcome framework from which to make investment decisions



# Key Project Deliverables

February : Stakeholder outreach and communications plan, data collection

April: System Map and Projections

June-July: Charrette and final CSH report with recommendations

September-October: Project Management workbook, multi-year implementation planning

# Questions and Discussion

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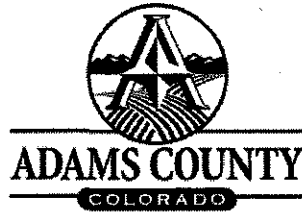


Thank You

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<b>PURPOSE OF ITEM:</b> Inform BOCC of Town Hall Area Information
<b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Informational

### **BACKGROUND:**

Inform BOCC of Town Hall Area specifics.

### **AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS OR OTHER OFFICES INVOLVED:**

Department of Regional Affairs

### **ATTACHED DOCUMENTS:**

Snapshot report PDF  
Town Hall Questions from Residents  
2018 Town Hall Questions

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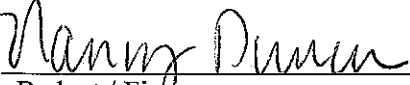
  
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## February 20, 2018 Town Hall: Neighborhood Snapshot Report

*Northeast Neighborhoods: Washington Street to Yosemite Street, 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue*



St. Anthony's North Campus on 144<sup>th</sup> and I-25

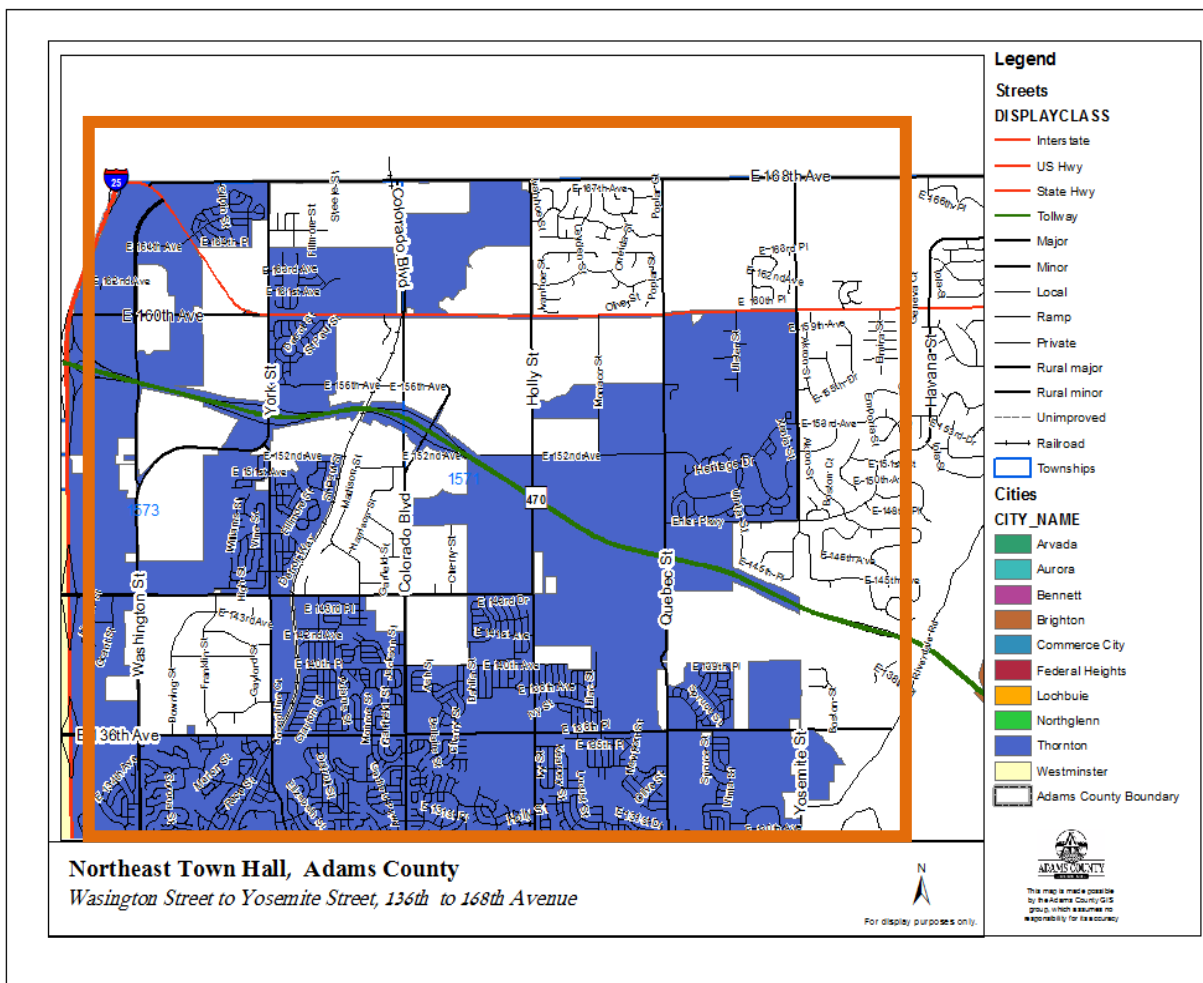


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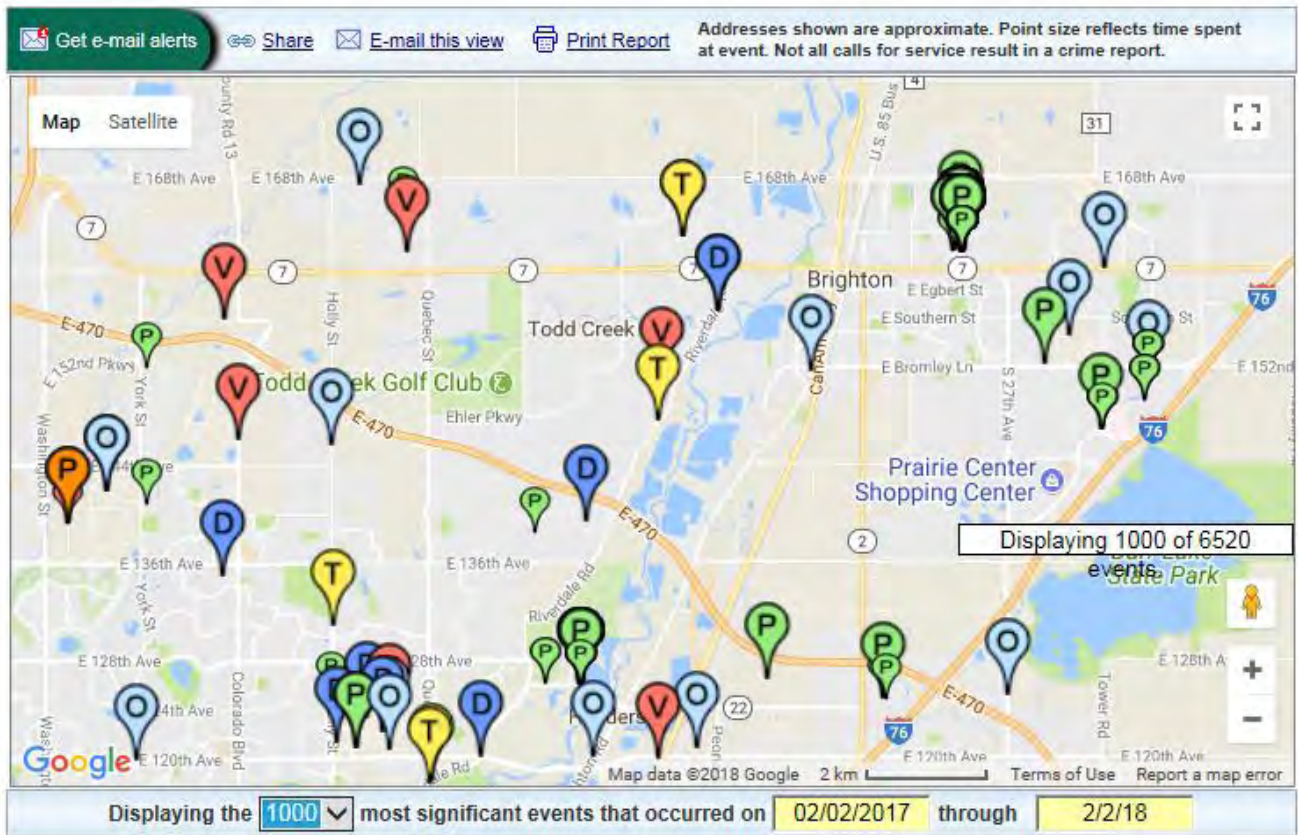
## Area Snapshot

The Northeast Town Hall area encompasses the communities between Washington Street to Yosemite Street, 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue. This community shares a boundary with Broomfield County and the City of Thornton. This area has experienced a lot of recent development. What was primarily a highly agricultural area is becoming a highly residential area with both industry and retail businesses along the I-25 corridor. This area will soon be home to a new Amazon facility and is the proud recipient of a state-of-the-art hospital located off the I-25 corridor and 144<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Current development highlights include innovative mixed use developments that supports, business, retail, commercial, and housing.





## Crime and Traffic Statistics



This report was generated by the Adams County Sheriff's Office *My Neighborhood Update* tool. The main issue in this area seems to be proactive policing followed by, traffic and disorder.

It is important to note that "Proactive Policing" includes matters in which officers initiated or followed up on various calls. "Disorder" includes matters such as: abandoned vehicles, shots fired, suspicious incidents, disturbances, disorderly conduct, and animal issues.

## Northeast Area Demographics

Town Hall Area      Adams County



Population



Mean Resident Age



Property Value



Avg. Household Income



Avg. Commute Time

Gender Population in Area

49%

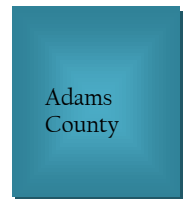
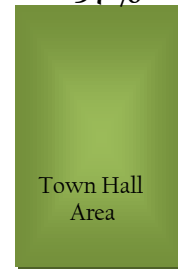
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Educational Information

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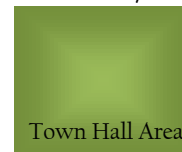
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High School Diploma

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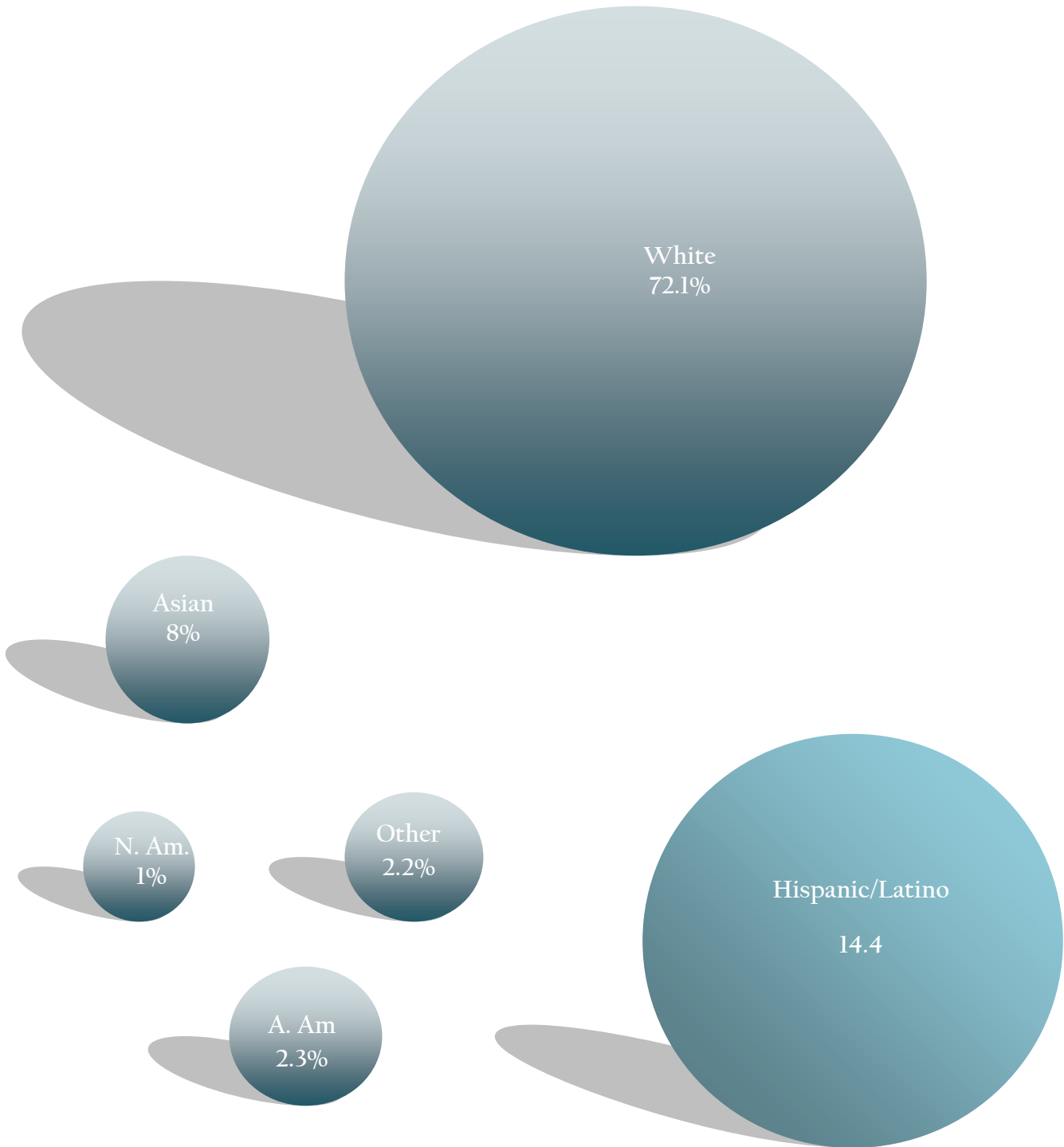
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Bachelors Degree or Higher

Reference: GIS Demographics Data and DataUSA website.

## Northeast Area Ethnicity Demographics



Reference: DataUSA website.

## Neighborhood Snapshots



*New business development snapshot on 144<sup>th</sup> and Orchard Parkway*



*Mixed Use Housing and Commercial Development on 148<sup>th</sup> Street near Orchards Town Mall*





*Commercial and Residential Development on 168<sup>th</sup> and Washington Street.*

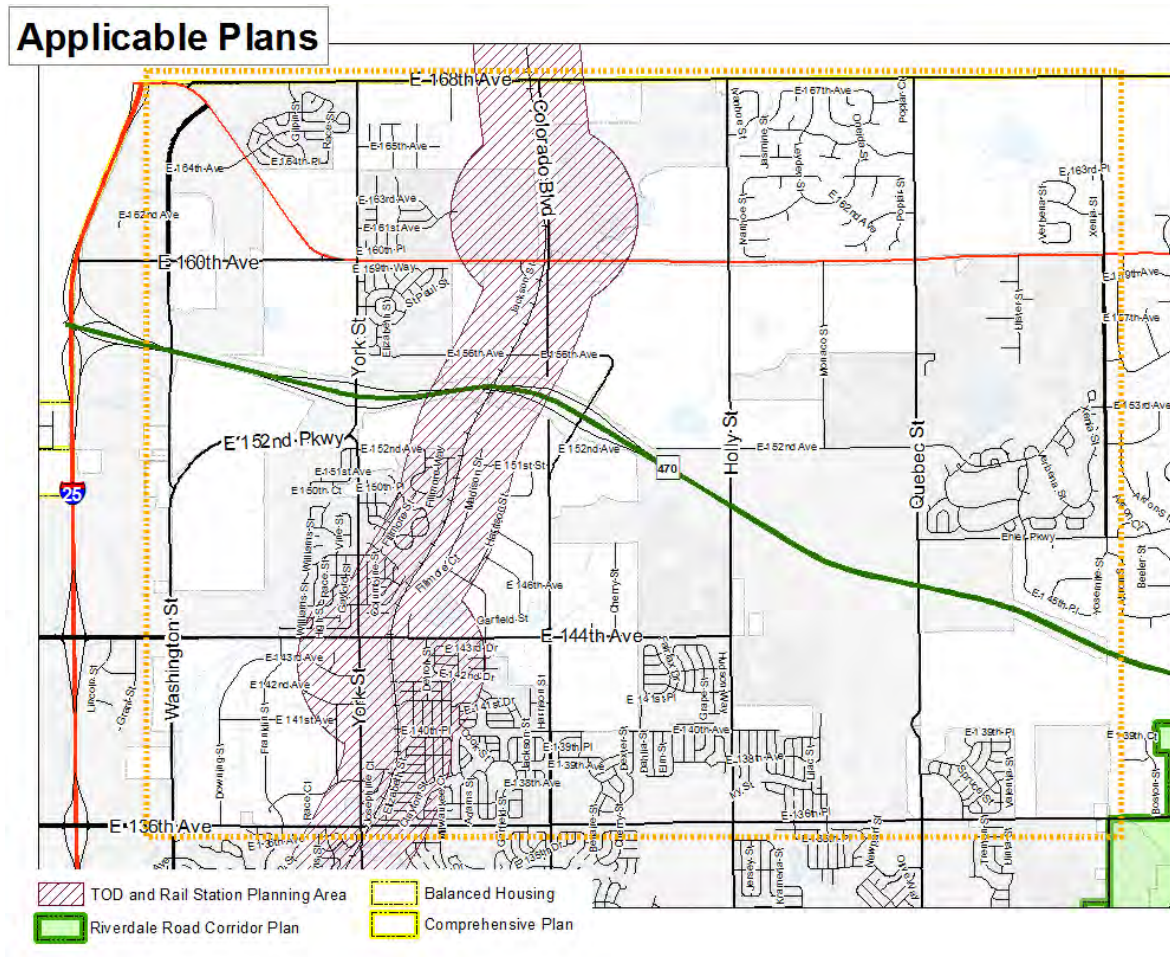


*Open Space and Agricultural Homes and Land on East 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue*

## Community and Economic Development

### Top Trends in Town Hall Area

- Retail and Restaurant Development
- Oil and Gas Activity
- New Residential Development in Cities within Town Hall Area.
- One transit corridor plan, TOD & Rail Station Area, and two County-wide plans, the proposed Balanced Housing Plan and existing Comprehensive Plan have implications in this area.



## Impact

As shown in the *Applicable Plans* map, the area incorporates one corridor plan, TOD & Rail Station Area Planning Guidelines, and two county-wide plans, Comprehensive Plan and Balanced Housing Plan. There is also an adjacent subarea plan, Riverdale Road Corridor Plan, which doesn't directly affect the Town Hall area, but is in close proximity and only mentioned herein as a reference.

### TOD & Rail Station Area Planning Guidelines

Link: <http://www.adcogov.org/tod-and-rail-station-area-planning-guidelines>

The Comprehensive Plan is an existing County-wide plan, which has implications over this area. This plan maps future land uses in this area. See map on page 8.

### Comprehensive Plan (click link for guidelines)

Link: <http://www.adcogov.org/documents/2012-comprehensive-plan>

The *Balanced Housing Plan*, also County-wide, is under currently consideration by the BOCC. The implications of this plan do not require any specific capital improvements. The purpose of the plan is to ensure that growth and development in Adams County occur in an efficient and coordinated manner. It will embody a responsible means to plan for growth by creating policies that address the balance between jobs and housing while encouraging the production and preservation of housing that matches Adams County's changing demographics. The Plan will also provide strategies to maximize existing County resources and tap into new ones.

### Balanced Housing Plan

Link: <http://www.adcogov.org/documents/balanced-housing-plan>

There is probably not any short term impact of these plans; planning timelines are generally 30-40 years. The impact of these plans is to current policies, procedures and regulations. Future development that these plans influence could impact the area as a long term result, especially along the transit corridor.

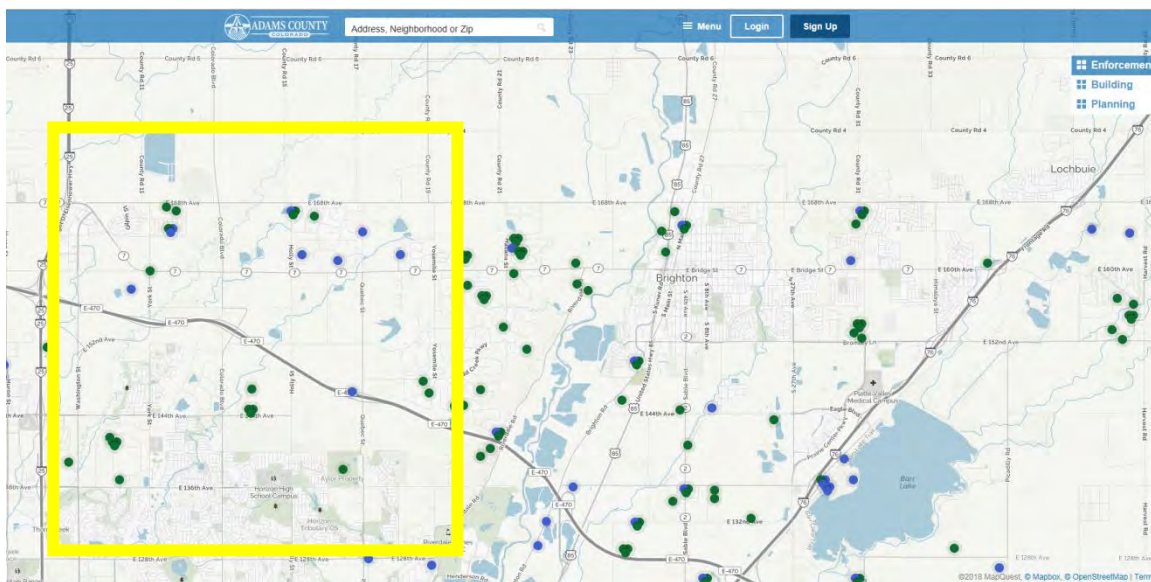
Want to learn more about Community and Economic Development? Go to:

<http://www.adcogov.org/community-economic-development>



## Code Enforcement

The Town Hall area has a mix of new and established agricultural communities. The Eye on Adams report highlights that in the past year, there have been approximately 20 code violations in the area. There are currently 7 active cases in the area. The most common code enforcement issues in this area were improper soil storage, weeds, and improper vehicle storage. There were also some specialized enforcements ensuring that home builders reduced noise in early morning hours and that farmers disposed of diseased animals properly.



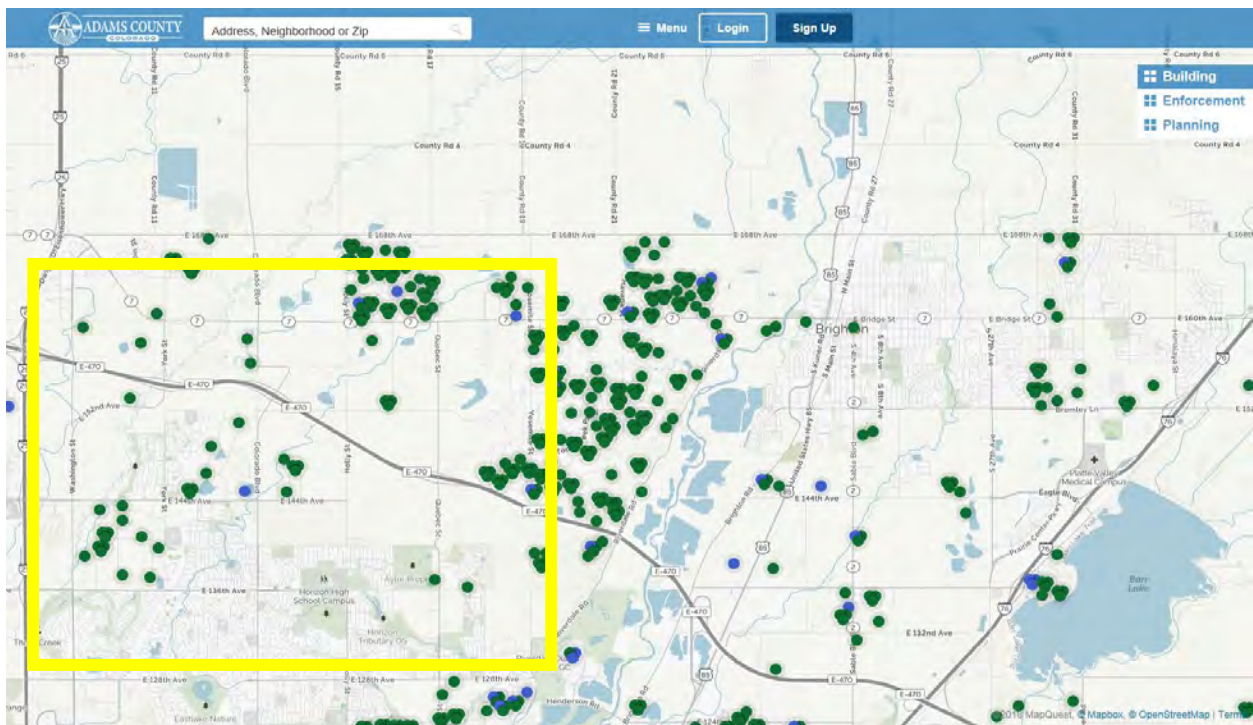
Eye on Adams Map: Green dots are completed/issued permits, blue are received permits. Map depicts a snapshot of building permits issued in the past year.

Need to contact Adams County Neighborhood Services? Got to:  
<https://www.adcogov.org/neighborhood-services>



## Building Permit Information

The Eye on Adams report finds that the County has issued approximately 60 building permits in the Town Hall area within the past year. The most common permits issued were home improvement permits for roofs or additions to homes such as garages, pole barns, and fences. There are also several concluded permits created for new single family residences and the addition of solar power hardware to roofs. There are no significant building permits in this area to report at this time. Most of the new construction activity in this area is within the City of Westminster, City and County of Broomfield's, and City of Thornton jurisdictions. New home construction continues in Eagle Shadow and Todd Creek.



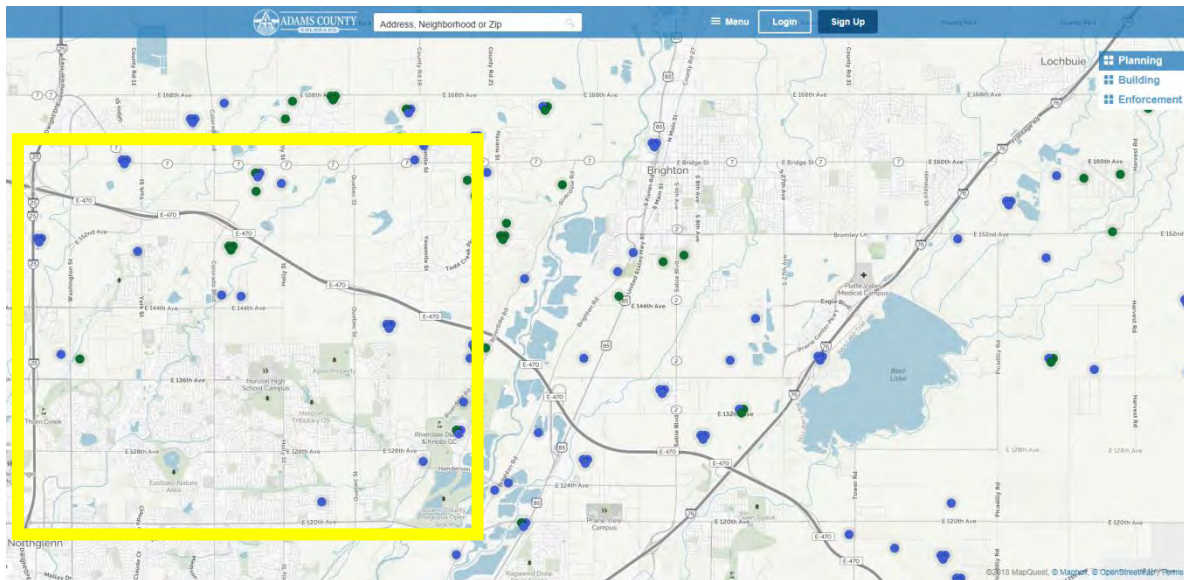
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Need a building permit? You can apply online.

Got to: <https://permits.adcogov.org/citizenaccess/>

## Land Use Cases

Over the last year there have been approximately 20 land use cases in the Town Hall area. The blue dots on the map show cases that are currently under review and the green dots highlight completed land use cases. The most common land use cases in this area are subdivision plat approvals for land owners diving land for additional housing, preliminary larger housing development requests, conditional use permits for telecommunication towers, business expansions and infrastructure improvements.



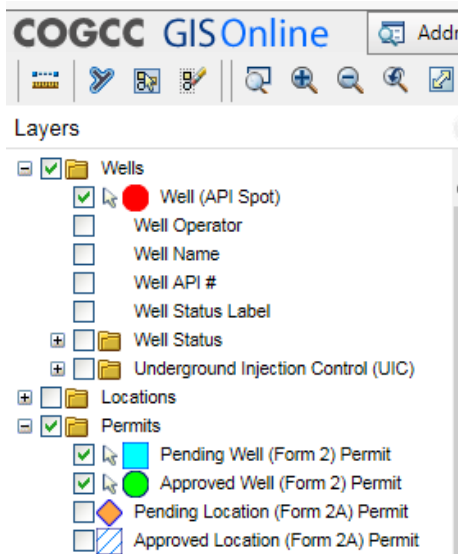
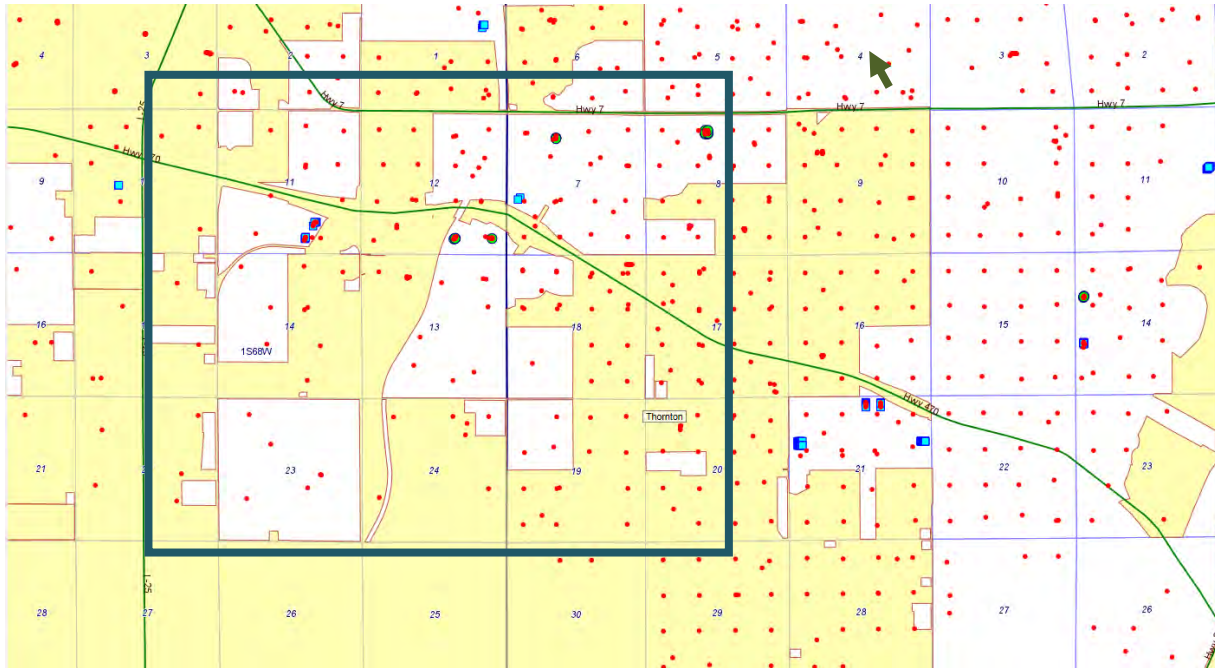
Need Adams County land use information? Visit our current land use page:

<https://www.adcogov.org/planning/currentcases>

Visit us today as we are often seeking public comment on land use cases.

You can use the Eye on Adams! It's located on our website! Got to: [www.adcogov.org](http://www.adcogov.org) and under **How Do I?** Click on, **View County Maps**. There you will find the Eye on Adams tool that will help you see what building, code, and even planning activities are going on in your area!

## Oil and Gas Information



There is substantial oil and gas activity within the Town Hall area. This map, provided by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission shows the current active oil and gas wells within and around the Town Hall Area.

The Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Map demonstrates that there are three newly approved well sights and three pending well sites within the area. There are additional pending well sights just outside the Town Hall Area. Overall there are approximately 60 current well sites in the Town Hall Area. To learn more about county-wide regulation contact Christine Daughtry the County's Oil and Gas Liaison for more information: (720) 523-6891 or go to: <http://www.adcogov.org/oil-and-gas-information>

## Additional Oil and Gas Updates

Oil and gas facility permitting at the State level is heavy in this area. The County issued three permits in this area in 2017 (see attached map with pipeline network and these three facilities):

Two facilities were constructed in the past several months:

- B-Farms (Great Western Oil & Gas) – Southeast of Highway 7 and Colorado Boulevard
  - 36 wells permitted for this location
  - Connected to pipeline
- Ocho (Great Western Oil & Gas) – Southwest of Highway 7 and Monaco Street
  - 32 wells permitted for this location
  - Connected to pipeline

One facility has been issued a County permit, but it has not yet been constructed:

- Ivey (Ward Petroleum) – Northwest of East 152<sup>nd</sup> Parkway and York Street
  - 26 wells permitted for this location
  - Will connect to pipeline
  - To begin construction in June 2018

The Adams County Oil and Gas Inspector, Adam Kraich, has performed inspections on all of the wells in unincorporated Adams County west of Powhawton. He is now focusing on inspecting the remaining wells in the County, while ensuring that the wells in neighborhoods are inspected annually. The COGCC requires a well to be inspected once every three years. Adam also regularly visits the actively drilling well pads in the County and follows up on any complaints received in the unincorporated areas.

County-wide – A Well Water Testing Program (pilot project) has been approved by the BOCC to provide free well water testing for any registered water well within ½ mile of an oil and gas well. Tri-County Health will be administering the program on behalf of the County.

Want more information? Go to:

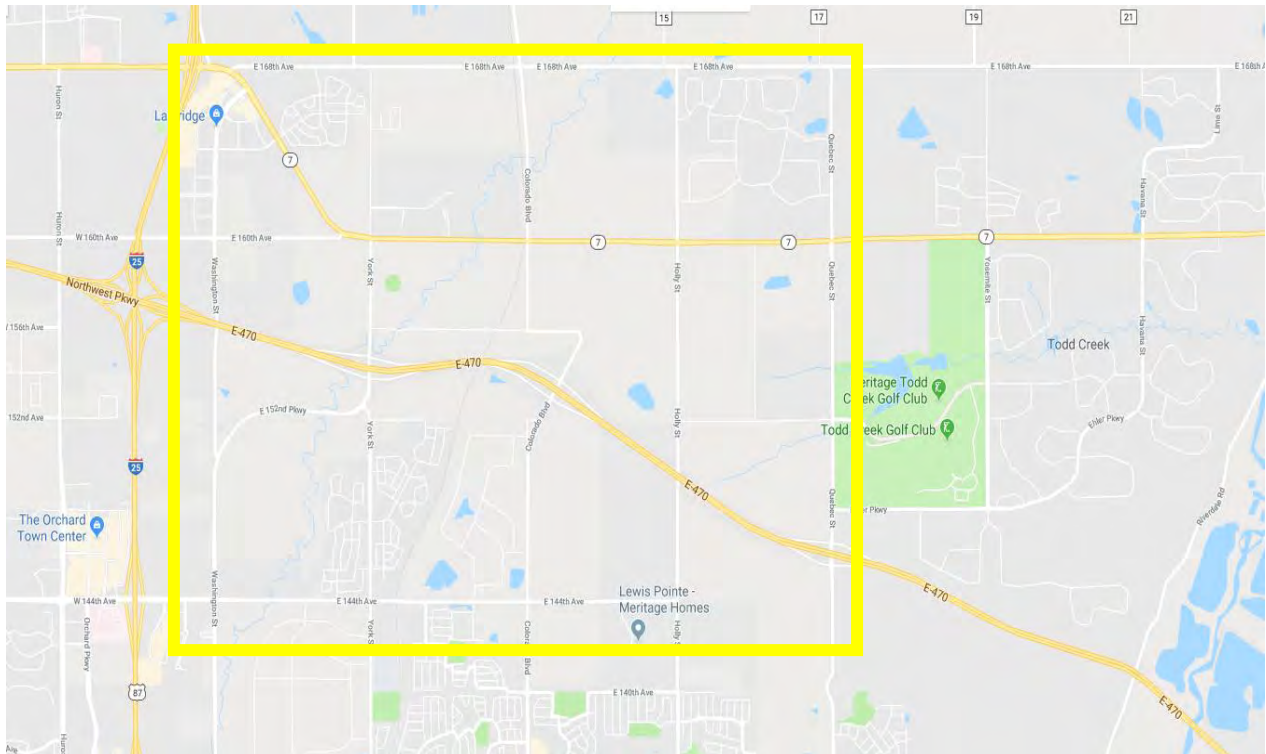
<http://cogcc.state.co.us/maps.html#/gisonline>  
<http://www.adcogov.org/oil-and-gas-information>

The county updates its page weekly with an oil and gas report prepared by the county's oil and gas liaison.



## Retail Marijuana Information

Adams County retail marijuana regulation currently caps marijuana retail facilities at 10 businesses. This includes marijuana infused product manufacturers (MIPS), retail marijuana stores, retail cultivation facilities, and retail marijuana testing facilities. There are no marijuana facilities in the Town Hall Area.



Need Adams County Retail Marijuana Information? Visit us at:

<https://www.adcogov.org/marijuana-land-use-regulations>

<https://www.adcogov.org/marijuana-licensing>

## Parks and Open Space Information

### Top Improvements, Projects, and Programs

#### Regional Park and Fairgrounds Master Plan Update:

The master plan was updated to take a current look at facilities needed in the future. The plan suggests moving toward a new site layout that will be beneficial for both year round events and for the Adams County Fair. The park area between 120<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue will be developed with the main entry point for the Regional Park moving to 120<sup>th</sup> Avenue, additional recreational amenities, lakes, a new Animal Shelter, and a cultural amenity.

#### Willow Bay Open Space:

In 2017, Adams County purchased the Willow Bay property north of E-470 and west of Brighton Road. The 162-acre property has a 100-acre lake that is envisioned for non-motorized water recreation and fishing. Other anticipated uses include hiking, birding, wildlife watching, and picnicking. A master planning process for the Willow Bay Open Space is planned in 2018. The public will be invited to participate in the creation of the master plan, which determines future uses of the property and creates a conceptual design to be used for the creation of construction documents.

#### Other area open space acquisitions:

In 2017, we purchased a conservation easement on the 30-acre Littlefield property, which is located between the Regional Park and E-470. This property will be preserved in agricultural use in perpetuity, which contributes to the rural character of the Riverdale Road corridor and allows for wildlife migration corridors to remain intact. In 2018, we are working to purchase the Falcon Resources property, which is the last remaining property to be conserved between the Regional Park and E-470. The Falcon Resources property has frontage along the South Platte River, so purchase of the property will ensure the protection of riparian habitat, wildlife habitat, and wildlife migration corridors.

### Adams County Fair:

Adams County Fair 2017 had over 74,000 people in attendance, which is a slight growth over 2016, despite two nights of thunderstorms. The headliners, Dan & Shay, were a huge hit and have been fun to watch since the Fair as they have taken off in their careers. The Fair's goal to bring in new, up-and-coming artists was achieved and we were all impressed with the energy their show brought to the Fair. Dia de la Familia set records in 2017 bringing over 27,000 attendees to the fair on Sunday. The Charreada and Los Cardenales de Nuevo Leon brought over 5,200 fans to the grandstands.

- 4-H reported growth in several areas including poultry and sheep. They also sold just slightly more animals than in 2016 resulting in a higher sale total for the kids.
- During the fall, Fair staff were busy attending conferences to book grounds entertainment, learn more about the industry, and even win a few awards for marketing and communications.
- Kids Pedal Tractors will be returning, along with the entire kid's zone. The biggest addition coming this August will be Mutton Bustin' all 5 days! If your kid missed their chance at the National Western, bring them to the Fair and they will get the same chance to win great prizes for the longest ride!
- Grandstand entertainment will be announced as we get closer to the Fair. This year's lineup is going to be #unfairgettable. (Our 2018 theme)
- Following us on Facebook and Instagram is the best way to stay up to date about our news and information.
- On Facebook- Adams County Fair and Regional Park Complex, On Instagram - adamscountyfair

## Anticipated Impact of Improvements

### Regional Park and Fairgrounds Master Plan:

The improvements suggested in the master plan are likely to have some impacts as implementation occurs. Overall, the impact is anticipated to be a positive one that creates more desirable improvements at the Regional Park and Fairgrounds. As each component is implemented, negative impacts are likely in terms of traffic, parking, building availability, and noise. Once completed, positive impacts are anticipated in terms of usability, ease of access, additional parking availability, and overall condition of the buildings and site.

### Willow Bay Open Space:

The planning process will not have any physical effects. The development of the property (after the planning process) will likely impact adjacent property owners in terms of noise and less privacy than they currently enjoy. We plan to address long-term concerns of all interested parties in the design of the property.

### Other area open space acquisitions:

No negative impacts are anticipated from these acquisitions. Positive impacts include continued rural character along Riverdale Road and the South Platte River, wildlife habitat, wildlife migration corridors, riparian habitat, and floodplain and floodway protection.

#### **Adams County Fair:**

Short term impacts of the Adams County Fair include heavy traffic along Highway 85, 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Brighton Road, and Riverdale Road from August 1 – August 5. Close neighbors may hear noise from concerts and events. The public has an opportunity to learn more about agriculture by attending the Adams County Fair, as well as enjoy the wide variety of food/entertainment options offered.

## **Future Plans for This Area**

The Open Space, Parks, and Trails Master Plan places a priority on the protection of land along Big Dry Creek and, to a lesser extent, along the South Platte River. With respect to trails, the plan calls for a continuous trail to be developed along Big Dry Creek and for the South Platte River Trail to be continuous from the Regional Park and Fairgrounds north to Veterans Park in Brighton.

The Regional Park and Fairgrounds Master Plan (not yet adopted) suggests major improvements to the facilities to better meet the needs of current clients and attract new clients. The major facilities are proposed to be moved to a new configuration as buildings reach the end of their useful life. The grandstands, arenas, and stalling facilities would be configured to maximize safety when moving animals for events. A new expo building would be constructed to create a flexible space for a variety of events. Parking would be formalized and expanded on site, with long-term shuttle plans also in place for the Adams County Fair. New recreational opportunities are proposed that will provide different options than currently available including a ropes course, a pollinator garden, a nature center, an adventure playground, water recreation, and a bike course. Other planned additions to the site include a new animal shelter and a cultural amenity, and additional trails.

## **Community Trends**

The biggest trend we have seen is one of increased numbers of homeless individuals living on public lands. The challenges associated with this activity include large amounts of trash and debris accumulating in natural areas as well as potentially unsafe conditions due to human excrement or used needles. Residents do not want camps in public areas and expect the trash and debris to be cleaned on a routine basis.

Need Adams County Parks and Open Space Information? Visit us at:  
<https://www.adcogov.org/parks-open-space>



## Public Works Information

### Top Improvements, Projects, and Programs

- Mill and overlay on Colorado Blvd from 144<sup>th</sup> Avenue north to 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- Mill and overlay on 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Boston Ct north of 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Successfully completed Paving of Holly from 152<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to SH 7. Street Paving Program has re-paved about 50% of road in this area.
- Working with CDOT and German Ditch to reduce water flowing along Colorado Blvd to SH 7.

Adams County Public Works continues to monitor road conditions and will complete any necessary improvements as they carry out their current transportation plan. You can learn about current road enhancements, the process of these projects, and about the County's transportation plan at: <http://www.adcogov.org/capital-improvement-program-cip-projects>

Should any issues arise the citizens are encouraged to utilize the YourGov app and provide information of any road issues.

### Anticipated Impact of Improvements

Higher quality roads and increased safety for residents traveling along:

- Mill and overlay on Colorado Blvd from 144<sup>th</sup> Avenue north to 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- Mill and overlay on 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Boston Ct north of 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue

While improvements are being completed expect short term road closures and delays in area.

### Community Trends

Residents want new pavement in the areas that have not been addressed yet. Also residents near York Street would like to have gravel road paved from 165<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 168<sup>th</sup> Avenue.



Need Adams County Public-Works Information? Visit us at:  
<http://www.adcogov.org/public-works>

Learn about the Gravel Resurfacing Projects that are scheduled here:  
<http://www.adcogov.org/gravel-road-resurfacing-program>

## Animal Shelter/Adoptions

### Top Projects that Impact Town Hall Area

- **New Adams County Animal Shelter and Public Dog Park “In Progress” (To serve all Adams County Residents)** While it is not located in the Northeast Corridor, the new Adams County Animal Shelter/Adoption Center, will be opening in late 2019 or early 2020 and will be closer residents living in this area.
  1.
    - Map of Future Location, Renderings, “Frequently Asked Questions” can be found at: <http://www.adcogov.org/acasnewlocation> (website will up continually updated as the project unfolds.)
    - Questions to [animal-shelter@adcogov.org](mailto:animal-shelter@adcogov.org)
    - The animal shelter is also getting a new website, which will launch in February or March of 2018
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  2. **Public Low-Cost Vaccination and Microchip Clinic offered two Wednesdays a month at the shelter.**
    - Spanish speaking staff onsite at every clinic.
    - Clinic Schedule is posted in the animal shelter section of the [www.adcogov.org](http://www.adcogov.org)  
[http://www.adcogov.org/sites/default/files/LowCostVaccineClinic Poster Jan-Feb 2018 PRINT v4.pdf](http://www.adcogov.org/sites/default/files/LowCostVaccineClinic%20Poster%20Jan-Feb%202018%20PRINT%20v4.pdf)
  3. **Volunteer Opportunities at the Animal Shelter**
    - General Volunteer Info: <http://www.adcogov.org/volunteer-program>
    - Foster Volunteers (in-home care):  
<http://www.adcogov.org/sites/default/files/Foster%20Care.jpg>
    - Must be 16 years old. (Younger children can assist adult foster volunteers in home.)
    - 6 Month Commitment Required
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### Impact of Projects

2016 Total Animal Served = \* 7,115 (5,683 sheltered + 1,432 attended vaccination clinics)

2017 Total Animal Served= Data totals pending

### Also In 2017:

- 2,355 Animals Adopted
- 1,500 Lost Animals Returned Home
- 1,590 Animals Spay/Neutered
- **Increased Save Rate of animals.** Of all the 5,300+ animals sheltered in 2017, more than 89 % were saved—meaning they were either adopted, returned home, sent to rescue or transferred to another shelter.
- More than 300 volunteers gave more than 17,000 service hours to the shelter
- New, more user friendly website on the way in Feb-March 2018

## Community Trends

- We are still seeing wildlife test positive for rabies along the Front Range. We strongly encourage pet owners to get their dogs and cats vaccinated at a local veterinary office or at one of the shelter's low-cost vaccination clinics.
- About 2/3 of all animals that enter the Adams County Animal Shelter come in as lost pets. We encourage pet owners to have their pets spayed and neutered to decrease their urge to roam, to have their pets wear a collar with a visible ID tag, as well as to have a microchip. Pet owners living in Unincorporated Adams County must obtain a dog license each year—free if your pet is spayed or neutered.
- Adams County animal shelter offers microchips, vaccinations, dog licensing for unincorporated Adams County residents, and referrals for getting your pets spayed or neutered.



## Additional Community Information

### Cities Served:

- The Adams County Animal Shelter regularly provides impounding for the Cities of Commerce City, Federal Heights, Northglenn, and Thornton and the Towns of Bennett and Lochbuie.
- The Adams County Animal Shelter is also providing temporary services for the City of Brighton time while their current shelter is closed due to construction in the area.

### Animal Control Support:

- Many citizens contact the Adams County Animal Shelter seeking animal control support for various situations in their neighborhoods. However, the animal shelter and animal control are separate services. Below is a list of animal control numbers

### Animal Control Numbers

- Town of Bennett 303.644.3249
- Commerce City and Northglenn 303.288.1535
- Federal Heights 303.428.8539
- Lochbuie 303.659.1395
- Thornton 720.977.5150
- Unincorporated Adams County 720.523.6777; after hours 303.288.1535

## Online Resident Services

### Eye on Adams

Ability to look up any building permit, land use case, or code compliance case

Link: <https://adamscounty.buildingeye.com/building>

### E-Permit Center

Launched in early 2017 and allows the submission and tracking of building permits online

Link: <https://permits.adcogov.org/citizenaccess/>

### Oil and Gas Information

Weekly report uploaded here each Friday on oil and gas activity and spill report

Link: <http://www.adcogov.org/oil-and-gas-information>

### Adams County Sheriff App

Connect directly with the Sheriff on non-emergency issues 24/7. Get download link on Sheriff site. Link: <http://www.adamssheriff.org/>

### Adams County Front Range Airport

Connect directly with updates on the Adams County Front Range Airport.

Link: <http://www.ftg-airport.com/>

### Graffiti Removal

Report and schedule free graffiti removal.

Link: <http://www.adcogov.org/graffiti-removal>

### Roads, Bridges, and Traffic

Additional information on how to contact the County in regards to infrastructure and roads.

Link: <http://www.adcogov.org/contact-reporting-information>

### Nextdoor

Connect with your neighbors and community.

Link: Available on iTunes or Google play

## Adams County Contact Information

### Community and Economic Development

Development Review	720.523.6200
Oil and Gas	720.523.6891
Neighborhood Services	720.523.6877
Building Permits	720.523.6825
Code Enforcement	720.523.6800
Graffiti	720.523.6565
Animal Services:	303.288.3294 or 303.288.3135

### Long Range Planning

General Information Line	720.523.6992
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### Parks and Open Space

General Information Line	303.637.800
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### Public Works

General Information Line	720.523.6875
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### Department of Regional Affairs

Legislative Affairs	720.532.6828.
Homelessness Liaison	720.523.6894
Neighborhood Liaison	720.523.6991

### Adams County Sherriff

General Information Line	303.288.1535
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Not finding the information you need? Visit Adams County online at: [www.adcogov.org](http://www.adcogov.org) . Here you will find a one-stop shop with all county information as well as links for all your resident needs.

**Town Hall Questions from Residents**  
**02/16/18**  
**Regional Affairs Department**

**Q:** Diane \_\_\_\_\_ (Phone Call Question). The resident has lived on farms her whole life. She does not feel that the current gravel road is really “gravel” and describes transportation on it as a “mess”. She would like to know when the new road is coming in the timelines and areas around when new gravel will be placed. She currently lives off of Franklin street. They had dust abatement this year but states that there was thick residue which made travel difficult

**A:** Jeremy Reichert. “I just made contact with Diane and explained our short and medium range plans for Wadley Farms. She was satisfied. FYI- Franklin St will be graveled in 2019.”

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**Q:** Matthew Olson (Direct Email) “Hello, our family is in the new Orchard Farms community off of York and Highway 7 right east of I-25 in Thornton. We have two young children and wanted to understand the future plans for new schools for our area given the amount of new homes being built. Also, I did not see our area listed on the 'Town Hall Reports' section. Is there a report that covers our area? What is our area called for future reference? Thank you!”

**A:** Rebecca Zamora. “Thank you for your inquiry! My name is Rebecca Zamora and I am the Neighborhood Liaison For Adams County. You should see a Neighborhood Snapshot report next week entitled “Northeast Neighborhood Snapshot.” Adams County School Districts are independent of the County. Adams County is unique in it has 8 Cities, 2 Towns and 12 school districts within its boundaries. It looks like your home is in the 27-J School District. You can contact them at: Adams 27-J Brighton Public Schools District at 303-655-2984 Or The School Website: <https://www.sd27j.org/>”

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**Q:** Carol Beckwith ((Phone Call Question). Earlier this year she was almost in an accident on Quebec St and south e-40/north of 136. She describes the road as a deceptive “squiggly” road that is an accident waiting to happen. Apparently there is a hill just before you get to the intersection that makes it appear open. She

understands that part of the intersection is the City of Thornton, while the other part is Adams County. She and left a message with a staff who was head of what she described as the "CIP Department" and never received a call back. She in late December due to the fact that when she went on a Group Christmas Tour the bus driver also have a lot of difficulty in the intersection. She hopes the County can delineate a plan for this intersection.

Carol would also like to know if Adams County has any regulatory authority over Todd Creek Water supply. Apparently there was a bacteria outbreak and residents have gotten very sick. They were asked not to drink the water and they were then told it was safe. She stated there was little communication on the bacteria outbreak, what was done to fix it, and how long it took for remediation, used of chlorine etc. She stated it would be nice if someone could hold them accountable. She has been suffering from illness ever since this outbreak. Furthermore neighbors are now drinking bottled water because they do not trust the Water company.

**A:** Adam Burg spoke with Rebecca about this second questions regarding water contamination. I think they were provided contact for their water district. Rebecca can clarify.

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**Q:** Richard Reilly (Phone Call Question). He currently lives in the Holiday Hills Village. He is concerned that management is filling flood plain with dirt that visibly has pipes, and other unsanitary debris in it. There are currently some abandoned mobile homes in the flood plain as well. He wanted to know what the County regulation was on this. He stated that various residents have questioned the manager whom has not responded. His residents is within Federal Heights and they have issued a formal complaint with the City of Federal Heights. However he wanted to know if there were if there were county-wide regulatory rules that could be researched around filling flood plain. He would appreciate a call back. He can be reached at: 303-278-4664.

**A:** Dawn Riggs: "I contacted Richard Reilly to let him know that since Holiday Hills Village is within the city limits of Federal Heights, he would need to contact their code compliance department to address the issues he is seeing with dirt being



brought in. I explained that the Code Compliance Officers for the county have jurisdiction in unincorporated areas of Adams County. I gave him the contact telephone numbers for Federal Heights' code compliance department.”

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**Q:** Laura Harris (Direct Email). “Why does the County want to keep citizens in the dark about oil & gas development permits? The notification radius needs to be expanded to include all residences affected by oil & gas activity, not just those who are less than 1,000 feet from the well pad location. If an operator wants to put horizontal fracking lines directly under my home, I should be notified regardless of the distance of my home from the well pad location.”

**A:** Christine Dougherty. “I have received your inquiry about notifications for oil and gas activities and I will try to provide some clarification about our procedures.

Adams County provides notification to residence located within ½ mile (2,640 feet) of new development applications, including Oil and Gas development. This area of notification is established in Adams County Standards and Regulations and is applied to all new development applications the county receives. The intention for providing this notification is not only to notify residence of what new developments are being planned in their community but to also allow residence an opportunity to provide comments and ask questions about those proposed developments.

Horizontal drilling for mineral development is unique in the sense that minerals located beneath a residential property may be developed from a surface location up to 3 miles away. These areas of subsurface mineral development are sometimes referred to as *Spacing Units*. Colorado State policies does require applicants to notify surface property owners of the intention to develop minerals in the spacing unit if the surface property owner also owns the minerals beneath their property.

If a resident does not own their minerals nor do they reside within ½ mile of a proposed surface location for oil and gas development but wishes to be informed of oil and gas development applications there are two additional resources where this information is provided. The first location is the Colorado Oil and Gas

Conservation Commission (COGCC) website ([click here](#)). The second location, website if the surface location of the development is located in Un-incorporated Adams County would be Adams County website ([click here](#)).

I hope this information provides clarification about the Counties notification processes and if I can provide any additional information I would be happy to schedule a time for us to either meet in person or over the phone. I can be reach at (720) 523-6891 or [cdougherty@adcogov.org](mailto:cdougherty@adcogov.org).”

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# 2018 Town Hall Questions

ID	Address/Location	Recived By	Type of Town Hall	Opened Date	Issue/Comment	Category	Sent to	Resolution Summary	Completed Date	Attachments
1	138th and Colorado	Phone Call	Resident Town Hall	08-Feb-18	Resident has questions about oil and gas information they received .	Oil and Gas	CED	Resident was contacted by Oil and Gas Liaison.	08-Feb-18	
3	Quebec St at 136 an SH7	Phone Call	Resident Town Hall	08-Feb-18	Concerned about safety of intersection. Almost got in accident.	PW	PW	Resident was contacted by staff and given City of Thornton Traffic Division contact information.	14-Feb-18	
2	16088 Elizabeth St.	Phone Call	Resident Town Hall	08-Feb-18	Wanted to know school district information.	RA	R.Zamora	Email sent with school district information.	09-Feb-18	
4	Franklin Street in Wadley Farms	Phone Call	Resident Town Hall	09-Feb-18	Resident wanted updated gravel roads project list for 2018.	PW	PW	Update email sent 2/15/18		
5	Holiday Hills, Federal Heights	Phone Call	Resident Town Hall	09-Feb-18	Resident concerned about filling of flood plain with visibly contaminated dirt.	CE	CED	Resident was contacted and given code enforcement information to Federal Heights Code Enforcement Department.	12-Feb-18	
6	1605 E. 143rd Ave.	Email	Resident Town Hall	09-Feb-18	Resident concerned about increased traffic with new development.	PW/CDE	PW/CDE	Resident was emailed by staff with contact information to Thornton.	12-Feb-18	
7	15097 St Paul St	Email	Resident Town Hall	13-Feb-18	Resident wanted to know about oil and gas permits. They also wanted additional information about regulation and how to become more informed.	Oil and Gas	CED	Oil and Gas Liaison sent an email explaining policy and regulation. Resident was also given links to regulatory agencies that would keep them informed.	15-Feb-18	

TOWN HALL TRIVIA QUESTIONS  
2018

- 1) How many miles of roadway does the county maintain?
- a. 1,558
  - b. 4,500
  - c. 3,133\*

*Of the 3,133 miles of roadway, 1,455 is paved and 1,678 is gravel.*

- 2) How many building permits did the county's Community and Economic Development Department handle in 2017?
- a. 2,435
  - b. 6,146\* (ding ding!)
  - c. 7,544

*In 2017, the Adams County launched the online E-Permit Center so all aspects of the permitting process, including payment and printing the permit, can be handled digitally, saving trips to the county's Government Center. There are more E-Permit Center improvements to come in 2018.*

- 3) How many animals did the Adams County Animal Shelter serve in 2017?
- a. 2,500
  - b. 5,000
  - c. 7,000\* (woof! meow!)

*The county sheltered 5,369 animals and vaccinated 1,629 at public clinics for a total of exactly 6,998 animals served in 2017.*

- 4) How did the District Attorney's Office serving Adams and Broomfield Counties rank statewide in County Court jury trials in 2017?
- a. 1st\* (of course we were 1st)
  - b. 2nd
  - c. 3rd

*In 2017, the District Attorney's Office took 100 felony cases and 253 County Cases to trial.*

- 5) How many potholes did the Adams County Public Works Department fill in 2017?
- a. One – but it was a really big one
  - b. About 1,000
  - c. Over 2,550\* (YES!)

*The potholes were identified through weekly patrolling and from resident requests.*

6) How much paint, electronic waste, and household hazardous waste did Adams County collect for recycling and proper disposal during 2017?

- a. About 125,000 pounds
- b. About 620,000 pounds\* (you win fabulous prizes if you answered this one)
- c. Over two million pounds

*In partnership with the City of Thornton, the county recycled 395,667 pounds of electronic waste and 89,651 pounds of paint in 2017. And at two events in partnership with our cities and the Tri-County Health Department, we collected 135,456 pounds of household hazardous waste (items like automotive fluids, batteries, pesticides, and other household chemicals).*