

Inside District 8

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A message from Councilman Herndon

Each month, I like to share important happenings within District 8 and the city at-large. The 2017 General Obligation (GO) Bond process is progressing and the next authorization will be put before voters in November 2017.

The mayor's office recently announced the 2017 GO Bond stakeholder committees that will thoroughly examine Denver's capital facilities and infrastructure needs and make project recommendations for bond funding.

The diverse, 60-plus volunteer committee members focus on five programmatic areas: Transportation and Mobility; Parks and Recreation; Arts and Culture; Safety Facilities; and City-owned Facilities. An executive committee is chaired by Roxane White, the president and CEO of the Nurse-Family Partnership and former chief of staff to Gov. John Hickenlooper. Executive committee co-chairs are Dr. Jandel Allen-Davis, the vice president of government and external relations at Kaiser Permanente and J. J. Niemann, president of Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation.

The stakeholder committees are considering more than 3,000 ideas from the community in addition to projects identified by City Council, city agencies and the projects listed in the city's Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan, Elevate 2020. The city also received information about major capital needs from other partners, such as city-owned cultural facilities.



Councilman Chris Herndon speaks to students at Ashley Elementary School in celebration of Youth One Book, One Denver.

The stakeholder committees are meeting from mid-March to May. Visit denvergov.org/2017gobond for more information.

Christopher Herndon

Denver Animal Shelter's adoptable pet of the month

Macaroni & Cheese are a bonded pair of senior Chihuahuas in search of a new family that can keep them together. They are 10 years old and Cheese is blind. They are currently available for



adoption at Denver Animal Shelter (1241 W. Bayaud Ave.) and are available as a 2-for-1 special to help keep them together (\$95 for both dogs). They are in love with each other, so very sweet, and ready to share their love story with you too! Come meet this adorable pair!

Contact the District 8 Office

4685 Peoria St., Suite 245
8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Monday-Friday
720-337-8888

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[facebook.com/ChrisJHerndon](https://www.facebook.com/ChrisJHerndon)

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- How to get licensed
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Spring cleaning tips from Denver Recycles



Appliances: Denver Solid Waste Management provides residents with free appliance collection and recycling for items such as refrigerators, washers, dryers and stoves. Call EcoProjex at 1-800-479-4159 to make an appointment.

Household hazardous waste: Denver residents are eligible for one collection appointment per calendar year. Make your appointment today by calling 1-800-449-7587.

Paint: Most paint products can be recycled for free at one of the sponsored PaintCare drop-off locations. To find the nearest drop-off site visit paintcare.org or call 1-855-724-6809.

Electronics: Electronic items are banned from disposal in Colorado landfills and are not accepted in Denver's trash or recycle carts. Denver Recycles offers an E-cycle coupon and special collection events to assist with recycling your unwanted electronics. To request a coupon, visit denvergov.org/ecycle.

Extra recyclables or yard debris: Extra recyclable materials can be taken to the Denver Public Works Cherry Creek Recycling drop-off. This site also accepts food scraps and yard debris for composting; visit denvergov.org/denverrecycles.

Street sweeping begins in April

Residential street sweeping begins Tuesday, April 4 and continues through November.

Drivers should pay attention to the red and white signs posted for street sweeping parking restrictions. Residential streets

are swept once per month where signs are posted; not every block has restrictions. Move your vehicle accordingly to avoid a \$50 citation.

Refrain from parking during the restricted times posted, even if it appears a sweeper has already cleaned the street, as sweepers may need to return to the area for additional sweeping.

Residents can sign up for email and text street sweeping reminders through pocketgov, the city's mobile application. Residents can also request "No Parking" reminder stickers for their calendars by calling 311.

Last year, Denver street sweeping crews swept 143,112 lane miles of Denver streets and collected 62,848 cubic yards of dirt and debris.

To learn more, visit denvergov.org/publicworks.



Know your neighbors: Terry Liggins

What neighborhood do you live in and how long have you lived there?

My husband and I, along with our youngest son, moved to Denver from San Diego approximately 14 years ago. We lived in Montbello as renters for several of those years and were fortunate enough to purchase our home here in 2006.



What do you like most about your neighborhood?

The thing I like most about my neighborhood is it reminds me of a small community where I was raised in Pennsylvania. I love the neighborly feel and the diversity of people, along with the brick homes.

How are you involved in the community?

I'm involved in the community as a member of the leadership team of the Montbello Organizing Committee (MOC). MOC is an organization that is committed to addressing the critical issues affecting the neighborhood. For the last four years I've chaired the transportation task team. Recently, I was offered the position of the inaugural executive director and without a thought, I accepted.

What's something you've done in the community that you're proud of?

I'm proud of my accomplishment as the MOC transportation co-chair. Our team successfully negotiated with RTD officials and board members to maintain a very important bus stop that was scheduled to be removed on Chambers Road. Because of our victory our neighbors can continue to have public transportation to the only grocery store we have in Montbello.

What's something about your community that you wish more people knew?

I wish that people knew how beautiful and safe our community is. It's so lovely during the spring season and the mature trees and lawns are very pretty.

How do you like to spend your free time?

I love spending my free time with my husband and grandchildren.

What is one of your favorite businesses/restaurants in the community?

I'm having a wonderful time exploring the community's restaurants during my lunch hour. So what's my favorite? Well I'm going to make my way back to Trina's, Ajuua and Real De Minas. I love them all. Not considering food, one of my favorite businesses in the community is Mail Box Express, the owners are great.

Registration open for 2017 Park Hill 4th of July parade

Registration is open for the Eighth Annual Park Hill 4th of July Parade. This neighborhood favorite has quickly become the largest Independence Day march in Denver, attracting dozens of entries from around the metro area. Around 800 participants took part in last year's parade.

Neighborhood floats, community organizations and music entries are encouraged to participate. Groups can register for free on the parade website at parkhillparade.org.

This year's event begins at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 4 and runs along 23rd Avenue from Dexter Street to Krameria Street followed by a street fair on Kearney Street.

Sponsorships start at \$100 and are a great way to support the parade.

To become a sponsor, or for questions, contact Justin Bresler at 303-918-6517 or parkhillparade@gmail.com.



Share your thoughts for a safer Denver through the Vision Zero survey

Visit denvergov.org/visionzero to share your feedback and concerns about transportation safety in Denver.

Residents are encouraged to take the map-based survey, select the location of their feedback and add it to the map before Sunday, April 30.

Responses from the Vision Zero map survey will be used collectively by the City's Vision Zero Technical Advisory Committee to identify patterns in behavior and street design to help set priorities for the Vision Zero action plan. Vision Zero is a data-driven approach to reducing transportation-related injuries and saving lives.

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STATION 27 FIREFIGHTER

Meet Chris Mangels

What does your job entail?

My job is to show up to every situation with a clear mind and keep calm, no matter what's going on around me. If you call 911, most times they're sending the fire department. When we get there we have to figure out what's going on, calculate the best solution, and implement tactics to fix whatever the problem is. That could mean fixing a water problem at someone's house or saving a person from a fire and putting the fire out. Every day is different; every call is different.



Chris Mangels (right) and his father, Douglas Mangels (left).

What do you enjoy most about your job?

I enjoy everything about my job but I would say what I enjoy the most is the fact that it's like a second family. We'd do anything for one other. I also love the neighborhoods I work in; we cover the highway, residential areas, and warehouses. I get to meet new people and learn new things all the time. In Montbello, we have folks who have lived in the neighborhood their entire lives, which is awesome.

What kind of impact do you hope to have in the community?

I hope to have a positive impact and show the community that we care and that we're there for them when they need something.

What do you do for fun outside of work?

I love anything outdoors; camping, hunting, fishing, anything away from the city. I like spending time on anything with two wheels or a motor.

What is something the community might not know about you?

I grew up in Denver and am a fourth-generation Denver firefighter. My dad is still on the department. I grew up going to Station 3 in Five Points because my dad spent 15 years there. From the time I could walk I was carrying a boot around the CU vs. CSU game every year with him to collect donations for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. In high school I thought my future was college baseball and then the pros, but knee surgery ended my baseball career. I went to the Public Safety Cadet program and originally wanted to be a police officer, but realized that the fire department is where I belong.

Denver Commission for People with Disabilities seeking applicants

The Commission is seeking candidates with experience in one or all of the following fields:

- Writing
- Project Management
- Marketing/Social Media
- Event Planning

Individuals with disabilities and community representatives with expertise, understanding and experience in these four specific areas are encouraged to apply. Applications are also accepted from individuals who are not living with a disability but have a strong interest in serving the disability community.

The Commission meets the first Tuesday of the month from 5:30 – 7 p.m. at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science, 2001 Colorado Blvd.

Interested applicants should complete an application at <http://bit.ly/203MCd7> and send a resume to Barry Burch, director of boards and commissions at barry.burch@denvergov.org. The deadline for applications is Friday, April 28.

Denver Police District 5 Honors Top Cop District 5

Officer Shea Yates was contacted by a family after the father's wallet was stolen from their car. Yates took the report detailing all the missing items inside the wallet. One of the stolen items was a collection of Pokemon cards the father was holding for his son. Yates talked to the young boy, who was clearly distraught, and discussed items he himself had collected as a child. Several days later, the young boy's parents reached out to District 5 to commend Yates for engaging with their son, stating "He made our son feel valued and heard."



Officer Shea Yates

Yates is commended for the compassion he displayed to a young person during the boy's first experience with losing something of significant sentimental value.

FIVE EGGS IN STAPLETON

Take the stress out of meal time

Self-taught cook and Five Eggs owner Sarah Lair started her prepared-meal delivery service in July 2015. The Stapleton-based business offers customers a wide variety of healthy, made-from-scratch meals, with delivery across the metro area.

“I’ve always loved to cook, and I know many families are busy with parents who both work,” said Lair. “I really saw a need in our community for something that would give families good and wholesome food, but where people didn’t have to spend hours shopping, prepping and cooking.”

Five Eggs is a unique prepared-meal delivery service because they do not require an ongoing subscription. There is a \$20 minimum and entrée prices range from \$12 - \$16, depending on the dish. Soups and salads prices range from \$10 - \$12. All meals are packaged and sealed in an airtight, recyclable, freezable, oven-safe container.

Menu options are updated on a weekly basis and incorporate the changing seasons, using local and organic ingredients. Orders need to be placed by noon on Wednesday of each week, with delivery the following Sunday. Not home? Simply leave a cooler with plenty of ice packs on your porch. All meals are ready to serve and only need to be reheated.

Entrées are designed to serve one adult, but many folks find they can get more than one meal out of an entrée



Sesame crusted tuna with avocado salad and vegetables (left) and pappardelle with beef fillet (right).



Sarah Lair, owner of Five Eggs, in her commercial kitchen.

“If a client has a special dietary need, they are in our heads while we’re cooking.”

—Sarah Lair

depending on appetites and the dish.

Five Egg’s most popular meals include beef short rib and an assortment of Mexican and Asian dishes. Lair likes to offer a variety of meals and includes options from different cuisines. In

addition, Five Eggs offers vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options and is able to work with clients’ allergies. “If a client has a special dietary need, they are in our heads while we’re cooking,” said Lair.

With help from her husband Mike, mom Janet and one part-time employee, Lair is busy preparing an average of 200-250 meal items a week in a local commercial kitchen she rents.

Lair is active in giving back to the local community. In 2016, Five Eggs prepared a full Thanksgiving meal for seven Denver families in need.

While running her own business presents its challenges, Lair wouldn’t have it any other way. “I love the opportunity to be with my family. It’s a lot of work, but if my daughter has an event at school, I can be there.”

For more information on Five Eggs, to place an order or purchase a gift card, visit fiveeggsmeals.com or call 303-396-4420.

Resources

Denver Human Services
Montbello Office
720-944-3666

District 2 Police Department
720-913-1000
Michael.Calo@denvergov.org

District 5 Police Department
720-913-1400
dist5@denvergov.org

Department of Motor Vehicles
720-865-4600

Denver Public Schools
720-423-3200

Denver Workforce Center at
Montbello
720-865-4600

City of Denver Services
311

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Councilman Chris Herndon at the Denver Animal Shelter with adoptable pair Macaroni (left) & Cheese (right).

What's Happening in April

Registered Neighborhood Organization Meetings

Montbello 2020
April 6, 6 p.m.
Arie P. Taylor Municipal Center
4685 Peoria St.

Greater Park Hill Community
April 6, 6:30 p.m.
2823 Fairfax St.

Northeast Park Hill Coalition
April 13, 6 p.m.
3921 Holly St.

East Montclair Neighborhood Association
April 18, 6:30 p.m.
Counterpath Press
7935 E. 14th Ave.

Stapleton United Neighbors
April 18, 6:30 p.m.
Central Park Recreation Center
9651 M.L.K. Jr. Blvd.

Community Events

Stapleton Egg Scramble
April 8, 10 a.m.
Runway 35 Pool
8863 E. 47th Ave.

Electronics Recycling Collection Event
April 15, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
500 W. 53rd Pl.
<https://april15-ecycle.eventbrite.com>

Poultry and Rabbit Fun Day
April 15, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
The Urban Farm at Stapleton
10200 Smith Rd.
theurbanfarm.org

Far Northeast Denver Economic Summit
April 29, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Evie Garrett Dennis E-12 Campus
4800 Telluride St.

Doors Open Denver
April 29 - 30
doorsopendenver.com

A letter from Beth McCann, Denver District Attorney

Nearly two months have passed since I began my tenure as Denver's district attorney. It has been an exciting, challenging, and very fulfilling time.

I have big plans for this office including enhancing our community outreach. It is through neighborhood collaboration that we will be better equipped to understand the issues within the community. I continue to attend community and neighborhood meetings and thoroughly enjoy hearing from citizens directly. Community engagement is so important that I am encouraging our office personnel and especially our DAs to participate in neighborhood meetings. We want to bring the office into the community.

Another area of focus concerns crimes against older persons. The purpose of this note is to remind you of the services of our director of consumer fraud protection offers:

- A monthly e-newsletter containing

valuable information about current scams and fraud activity happening in Denver.

- The DenverDA Fraud Line (720-913-9179) anyone may call if they believe they have been a victim of a scam, fraud or identity theft.
- Free presentations called 'Stand Up Against Fraud' offered to any community group or organization. The presentations cover how to spot scams, protect yourself from identity theft and fraud, tips, red flags and information on how to avoid being a victim of these crimes. We've had marvelous feedback on these presentations – and while this is a serious subject, the presenter is fun and engaging.

If you are interested in any of the programs I outlined, please contact the Director of Consumer Protection Maro Casparian at 720-913-9036 or amc@denverda.org.