Dear Friend,

The NDCC is happy to release its annual report highlighting the 2013 successes and an outlook on what’s to come. We have some aggressive goals for 2014 that will be further
defined in an action plan released to the public in the next month. We are holding ourselves accountable for the work we have committed to accomplishing and want to be certain you know where we are headed.

A few significant efforts we would like to point out include:

- The NDCC will aggressively explore private/public partnerships to further projects in the corridor.
- The NDCC will work with stakeholders to identify short term milestones along Brighton Boulevard and other NDCC projects as design work continues across all six projects.
- After a diligent community effort to create a vision for Globeville, its neighborhood plan will be completed in 2014.
- The objective of the National Western Center is to complete the preferred master plan by the end of the year.

To view the annual report, click here.

All the best,
NDCC Team

NDCC PROJECT UPDATES

Neighborhood Plans

Public Meeting Addresses Health Impact Assessment

Earlier this month, Globeville, Elyria and Swansea came together at a public meeting at the Colorado Miners Community Center to discuss health related topics such as environmental quality, mobility, recreation and public safety. Residents were able to walk from station to station providing feedback on these topics and ask questions. The feedback will be included in the Health Impact Assessment (HIA) led by the City’s Departments of Environmental Health and Community Planning & Development. The report is expected to be completed in the Spring, and will have health recommendations that will be incorporated into the neighborhood plans for Globeville and Elyria-Swansea.
Denver's Elyria neighborhood to be closer to the Globeville clinic. This has also allowed Clínica to double the number of counseling rooms and added the ability to host group counseling sessions. Click here to learn more.....

In the News

Real Estate Round Up: Reclaiming Brighton Boulevard, Colorado Biz

Putting a lid on I-70, at a cost of $1.8 billion, called 'an iconic project', Denver Business Journal

Reinventing the National Western, Denver Business Journal

National Western Stock Show is a source of traditions, memories, Denver Business Journal

NDCC Presentations to Community & Business Groups

Interested in learning more about the North Denver Cornerstone Collaborative? Does

National Western Center

Master Planner Selection in Progress

The deadline for the National Western Center Master Plan Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was earlier this month. The Selection Committee is currently reviewing the proposals and will announce the final consultant team within the next month. The master planning team will provide professional planning and technical services to lead the National Western Center planning efforts in 2014, which will include creating connections to the Globeville, Elyria and Swansea neighborhoods as well as the South Platte River.

In addition, the National Western Stock Show just completed another successful year with record-breaking attendance. This year's Stock Show attendance reached 640,022. During the Show, the grand champion steer produced a record bid this year of $132,500 in the Junior Livestock Auction. Next year, Stock Show visitors will begin to see the construction on RTD's North Metro Line.

Brighton Boulevard Reconstruction Corridor

City prepares to Advance Design Work

Last month, the City & County of Denver announced the preliminary schematic cross sections for Brighton Blvd. to help frame specific engagement topics. In 2014, the city will continue the design work that will lead to implementation of multimodal improvements for the area south of I-70. Some key efforts you can expect to see this year include:

- More detailed design of the Brighton Boulevard Enhanced Bike Facility to improve visibility and safety
- In-depth evaluation and design of intersections, turn lanes and transitions between character areas
- Operational options to improve safety and livability of the near-term implementation phase
- Assessing and accommodating drainage and utilities
- Identifying opportunities for public art and other options for establishing an identity for the corridor
- Paying particular attention to how the cross sections fit with properties that have already redeveloped and made infrastructure improvements, or are actively redeveloping
your organizations want to host a Coffee with Kelly to hear about the NDCC?

If so, please contact Erika R. Martinez today!

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River North (RiNo)

Next Phase of RiNo is Design Work

Plans continue to move quickly for River North. The project team is moving forward with discussions on River North Park, Festival Street and other proposed plans near the river, including the 35th/36th Pedestrian Bridge, coordination with RTD on the 38th and Blake Commuter Rail Station, and coordinating with properties that are actively redeveloping in the area. The city is actively pushing forward with the next phase of design work on River North Park, Festival Street and other improvements in area. Some of the major key efforts you can expect to see this year include:

- More detailed design of River North Park to expand the river corridor, increase pedestrian access to the river and provide a new park and cultural amenity for the neighborhood
- More detailed design of the Festival Street along the edge of the park
- Further design of the 35th / 36th Pedestrian Bridge to be completed when the East Corridor Commuter Rail line opens

I-70 Reconstruction

CDOT Presents to City Council
On January 21st, CDOT presented to City Council members through the Land Use, Transportation & Infrastructure (LUTI) Committee led by Councilwoman Judy Montero. CDOT focused on the Partial Cover Lowered Alternative as I-70 East project's preferred alternative and a 15 minute period was offered for public comment. Council members asked questions of CDOT and City staff and had the opportunity to hear from community members. For more information and to watch the meeting, click here.

CDOT Out in the Community
As part of the I-70 East project, members of the project team will be in the community performing a variety of field survey functions. They will be easily recognizable by the company identification on their vehicles and the I-70 East project identification tags they will be wearing. The surveyors will be using various types of surveying equipment to identify the location and physical
characteristics of the bridge structures, utilities, signs, and other infrastructure improvements. All of this work can be accomplished within public right of way and will not require entry to private property.

Community Leaders Coordination Meeting

Every third Wednesday of the month, CDOT hosts a public meeting to discuss the status of the I-70 East EIS project. Join the CDOT for an open house style meeting on Wednesday, February 19th from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm at Swansea Elementary School (4650 Columbine St). Click here to learn more.

RTD

North Metro Rail About to Break Ground

FasTracks will break ground March 20 on the North Metro Rail Line, one of four electric commuter rail lines that will debut in Denver over the next four years.

The lines are part of RTD’s ambitious plan to expand transit across the Denver region. Slated to open in 2018, the first segment of the North Metro Rail will depart from Denver Union Station and run through Denver, Commerce City, Thornton, and Northglenn.

RTD FasTracks partnered with prime contractor Regional Rail Partners (RRP) to build out the line’s first phase to 124th Avenue, with options to extend it to 162nd Avenue-State Highway 7 in North Adams County as funding becomes available.

The first phase will feature six stations, including the National Western Stock Show Station. Read more...

Denver’s Corridor of Opportunity

The Corridor of Opportunity represents a nearly 23-mile stretch between linking I-70 and East Commuter line from Denver Union Station to Denver International
Airport.

The corridor is one of the most compelling commercial investment opportunities in the world, with thousands of developable acres. With nine commuter-rail stations along RTD’s East Line alone (slated to open in 2016), future plans for the area include transit-oriented development with housing, strategic locations for corporate headquarters and abundant options for additional open space.

The variety of opportunities, both existing and future, make this corridor a focal point for Denver’s future economy, with nearly 40,000 new jobs through new and expanded businesses and $2.6 billion in economic impact expected over the next three decades, including $13.4 million annually in additional city revenue.

About the North Denver Cornerstone Collaborative (NDCC)

The North Denver Cornerstone Collaborative was founded by Mayor Michael B. Hancock on January 25, 2013. Recognizing a convergence of upcoming projects in the Elyria-Swansea and Globeville neighborhoods, the Mayor identified an opportunity to energize a cornerstone of the Corridor of Opportunity and create an updated gateway to downtown by aligning individual efforts into one coordinated vision. Kelly Leid manages the general oversight, planning, strategic coordination, financing and implementation of the six primary projects.

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