North Denver Cornerstone Collaborative

NDCC

Mayor Michael B. Hancock's Corridor of Opportunity Initiative

project news

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North Denver Cornerstone Collaborative Projects Map
Dear Friends,

Earlier this month, the NDCC held our Mid-Year Town Hall meeting at the National Western Complex. The NDCC would like to thank all of the individuals who attended the event and continue to have an interest in the six projects.

At this town hall meeting, the NDCC and Councilwoman Judy Montero also hosted a roundtable discussion on how to use the Health Impact Assessment (HIA) as a tool to improve the community. A panel of six individuals provided their recommendations and ideas for the use of the HIA and answered questions from participants.

Please mark your calendar for September 30th for the next NDCC Town Hall Meeting. More information to come.

Happy reading!

NDCC Team
neighborhood activities.

This year, Globeville, Elyria and Swansea are participating in a variety of ways. Join the neighborhoods at one of the following Denver Days events:

**Denver County Fair**
Fri. Aug. 1 - Sun. Aug. 3
National Western Complex
(4655 Humbolt St.)
denvercountyfair.org

**Habitat for Humanity Globeville Service Event**
Saturday, August 2
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
5050 Fox St.
For more information, call 720-496-2718

**Neighborhood Beautification & Clean Up**
Saturday, August 9
9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Clean Up
1:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Celebration
Argo Park (47th Ave. & Logan St.)
For more information, contact: UCANaction@gmail.com, 720-800-5286

**Neighborhood Block Party**
Saturday, August 9
2:00 pm - 7:00 pm
The Growhaus (4751 York St.)
thegrowhaus.com

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
4100 Jackson Street

This public meeting will focus on community design around the 40th and Colorado station. Topics will include land uses, connectivity, station access, building heights, storm water quality and other important considerations.

Translation and child care will be available.

**National Western Center**

**Master Plan Advances**
The master planning effort for the National Western Center (NWC) continues to advance. Scheduled to be completed in Spring 2015, there are several key deliverables that consultant Parsons Brinkerhoff are charged with delivering:

- Development of baseline information (Complete)
- Vision/Guiding Principles (Complete)
- Facilities Program (Complete)
- Site Master Plan Alternatives (In progress)
- Infrastructure Master Plan (Upcoming)
- Concept phasing plan (Upcoming)

On April 21 and 22, 2014, the NWC Partners participated in the National Western Center Round Up retreat to develop ideas and a vision for the new National Western Center. The vision and goals for the project were a direct outcome of the retreat and vetted through the Citizens Advisory Committee. [Click here to review the document](#).

The National Western Center team meets monthly with the National Western Citizens Advisory Committee, a committee made up of residents and business interests in and around the National Western Center study area, and organized to provide input into the NWC planning process. In addition to the Citizens Advisory Committee, three community meetings around the Master Plan are scheduled in August, September and January. Stay tuned for more information.

**Brighton Blvd. Corridor Redevelopment**
The NDCC is funding the detailed design work, which is commencing for the 29th to 44th segment of Brighton Boulevard which includes additional surveying, geotechnical and environmental investigations, review of funding alternatives, and continued outreach to businesses and developments along the Brighton
Reinventing the Workplace in RiNo, Confluence Denver

I-70 Plans near completion, North Denver Tribune

Globeville site nears turning point as Asarco clean up approaches end, The Denver Post

Members say creative design another step for RiNo Art District, The Denver Post

NDCC Presentations to Community & Business Groups

Interested in learning more about the North Denver Cornerstone Collaborative? Does 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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Boulevard Corridor. Companies engaged in these efforts may be contacting individual property owners in this segment for permission to access properties for site investigations and to review current operations including parking, deliveries, loading, and customer access. This next phase is scheduled to be completed in 9 months and will refine the plans and urban design concepts developed over the last year. Bill Lang will continue as Project Manager for the Prime Consultant CH2M Hill and Dennis Ohlrogge is the Project Manager for the City and can be reached at 720-913-4546 or dennis.ohlrogge@denvergov.org.

River North (RiNo)

35th/36th Pedestrian Bridge Project
Design work continues on the City and County of Denver's pedestrian bridge that will span over the railroad tracks to connect Blake Street and Wazee Street between 35th and 36th Streets on the City's northeast side. It is expected to conclude this fall with the goal of starting construction in 2015 so the bridge can open in conjunction with the Regional Transportation District's (RTD) East Rail Line in 2016. Click to read more...

I-70 Reconstruction

SDEIS to be Released
CDOT, in partnership with FHWA, is working on the next document for the EIS, which will serve as the basis for future improvements on the I-70 East Corridor. Whenever there are changes, new information, or further developments on a project that result in significant environmental impacts not identified in the most recently distributed version of the Draft or Final EIS, a Supplemental EIS is necessary. The Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) will be made public on or before September 5, 2014.

The SDEIS document will include detailed analysis of the new alternative while also updating the previously analyzed alternatives-including rebuilding the viaduct-to reflect any changes. There will be a new public comment period (45-day) after the SDEIS is published. Public hearings, to receive comments on the document, are tentatively scheduled for September 23rd, 24th and 25th. In the meantime, the project team will continue to hold public meetings as it previously has. The EIS process is anticipated to be completed and a Record of Decision...
CDOT is also beginning the process to determine how the I-70 East project will be financed, including the possibility of public-private partnership (P3). CDOT, together with its High Performance Transportation Enterprise, hosted a series of public meetings in June and July on this topic and will continue these meetings and other outreach activities throughout the next two years. More information can be found by clicking here.

**RTD Station Development**

**40th Avenue reopens after major work, improvements**

A new and improved half-mile stretch of East 40th Avenue features the RTD East Rail Line tracks, but 19 months of construction also brings community improvements that provide safety and better quality of life.

The segment of East 40th Avenue between Blake and York streets was closed for 19 months due to construction.

The finished product includes eight-foot-wide sidewalks where before there was just a gravel shoulder, brand new underground gas, water, electric and communications lines, full concrete construction including curbs and gutters, plus a large underground drainage culvert that will contribute to solving chronic storm water flooding in the neighborhood.

The full closure of 40th Avenue expedited the construction. If the work had been done while using phased lane closures, the construction timetable would have doubled to about three years.

Click here to 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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