



# MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE

THIRD QUARTER 2017

Each year, the Town undertakes a major projects work program to accomplish priority projects. Each quarter, Town staff prepares a status report regarding the projects for Town Council and community review. These reports are archived at [CRgov.com/MajorProjects](http://CRgov.com/MajorProjects).





# What are our key priorities for 2017?

Public open houses were held, and multiple Town Council discussions occurred, before Town Council approved eight key priorities for 2017. Listed next to the bullets under each priority are key 2017 action items; the check-marked lines provide current updates on the action items.



## Enhancing our transportation

- Continue annual pavement maintenance program, focused in 2017 on southern Castle Rock
- ✓ *All PMP contracts are progressing well, and several had been completed by the end of the third quarter*
- Continue initial planning for the Crystal Valley Parkway/Interstate 25 interchange
- ✓ *Efforts are ongoing to continue with needed right of way acquisition. Surveying efforts are continuing, as well, and are being coordinated with CDOT's process*
- Reconstruct Meadows Parkway between Prairie Hawk Drive and U.S. Highway 85 and Emerald Drive between Plum Creek Parkway and Emerald Court
- ✓ *The Meadows Parkway reconstruction was deferred to 2018 and replaced with the restoration of concrete on Coachline Road. That work is complete*
- Construct a roundabout at Third and Perry streets
- ✓ *This project is substantially complete and open to traffic. Some final street lighting work is all that remains*
- Using public input, update the Town's 20-year transportation plan
- ✓ *Town Council reviewed and approved the updated plan in October*
- In response to voter approval for the Town to spend 2015 TABOR surplus funds, install flashing yellow arrow conversions and rapid flashing beacon crosswalk enhancements in various locations throughout Town as approved by Town Council
- ✓ *The signal contractor recently notified the Town that they have several personnel vacancies and will be unable to complete this work. Staff is coordinating with a new contractor and is hopeful that the full scope can be completed by year's end. Work will start in the downtown area first*



## Ensuring our public safety

- Construct and equip Fire Station 152 in Crystal Valley Ranch open in 2018
- ✓ *The construction contract for the station was awarded to Taylor Kohrs. The groundbreaking for the station was held September 18*
- Add two Patrol Officers in Police and a Fire Prevention Officer in Fire
- ✓ *Staff has been hired for these positions*
- In response to voter approval for the Town to spend 2015 TABOR surplus funds, make key Fire and Police equipment acquisitions as approved by Town Council
- ✓ *Fire's AEDs have been received and distributed. The Stop the Bleed kits have been received and will be distributed soon, with training. The electronic vehicle extrication equipment has been received, and training has been conducted. The telescopic forklift is in service, and the reserve brush truck transaction is anticipated to occur by mid-November. The Police Department's items – active shooter body armor/shields, rifle lights, K-9 Unit ballistic/stab-resistant vest, electronic speed lights, crash data reader, mobile fingerprint units and LIDAR unit – all have been received*



## Ensuring our water future

- Move forward on Plum Creek water reuse/diversion project, including possible acquisition of United Water assets
- ✓ *The East Plum Creek diversion at the Plum Creek Water Purification Facility is complete and operating as designed. Negotiation of the purchase and sale agreement for the United Water assets is complete, with a final agreement expected for Town Council consideration in fourth quarter. A request for proposals for design of Plum Creek Water Purification Facility upgrades for reuse water was sent out, and award of a design contract is expected in fourth quarter*
- Continue the WISE, Box Elder and Chatfield Reallocation projects
- ✓ *WISE local infrastructure is under construction and on schedule and on budget; completion is expected in the first quarter of 2018. The search for an additional 700-plus acre-feet of water rights on the Box Elder project is continuing. The Chatfield Reallocation project design continues on schedule and on budget*
- Continue implementing financial management plan to minimize rates and fees changes
- ✓ *The annual rates/fees study was completed in third quarter, with a recommendation for no increase to rates and fees for existing customers and a 3 percent increase in developer-paid system development fees. Town Council adopted both recommendations. Staff continues to work to minimize future rates by implementing the Financial Management Plan*



## Maintaining strong Parks and Recreation

- Complete improvements to Festival Park; and plan for the Town's next neighborhood park
- ✓ *Mortenson Inc. has completed the splash pad, bridges, the landing pavilion and overlook. Remaining work includes concrete paving, fire pit, landscaping and irrigation. Substantial completion is scheduled for Starlighting on November 18; public process for the neighborhood park selection is complete. The Town received 547 responses and will present a recommendation to Town Council October 17 – an RFP will be issued for design pending Town Council direction*
- Design and acquire property to extend the East Plum Creek Trail south 2 miles to Crystal Valley Parkway in 2018, using \$1 million in grant monies secured in 2016
- ✓ *The Town completed the final property acquisitions in September. Construction documents are 90 percent complete and under review by staff*
- Participate in the development of recreational opportunities at Rueter-Hess Reservoir
- ✓ *Funding has been included in the 2018 Budget for the Rueter-Hess Recreation Authority to support the development of access to the reservoir*



## Enhancing our historic Downtown

- In cooperation with the Downtown Development Authority, facilitate Downtown redevelopment projects
- ✓ *Construction continues on Riverwalk on the south side of Sellars Gulch. The Downtown development will consist of a six-story building on the south side of Sellars Gulch and a five-story building on the north side, with 228 residential units, 11,000 square feet of retail and 20,000 square feet of office space; underground parking is planned as part of the project. Construction of the south and north buildings is anticipated to take about 18 months*
- Complete and consider recommendations from the Downtown parking study
- ✓ *The Downtown Parking Team continues its quarterly meetings and is working on items including the “statement piece” sign at the Downtown parking garage; code adjustments; on-street parking layout modifications; and implementation of policies to address property owner parking requests. At its fourth quarter meeting, the team plans to discuss the roll-out of the nonsworn community service officer that will join CRPD in 2018 to assist with parking enforcement duties*



Downtown Castle Rock



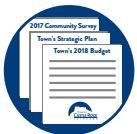
## Managing growth

- Adopt a 2030 Vision and an update to the Town's Comprehensive Master Plan
- ✓ *Planning Commission meetings are scheduled in October, and Town Council is expected to consider the plan in November/December*
- Implement the new impact fee and Development Services fee schedule
- ✓ *The new fee schedule has been fully implemented*



## Pursuing economic development

- Consider financial participation in a project to bring further higher education opportunities to Castle Rock
- ✓ *Arapahoe Community College has announced plans to build a \$40 million Collaboration Campus in The Meadows. ACC will partner with Colorado State University and the Douglas County School District to provide a pathway to associate and bachelor's degrees; the project's first phase is projected for completion in fall 2019. The Town will invest \$3 million into the campus to assist with fees and site improvements*
- Use the Economic Development Fund to pursue opportunities consistent with Town goals
- ✓ *This includes Council approval of a financial agreement/URA for the Miller's Landing development, which is planned to bring office space, a hotel and retail to the northwest corner of Plum Creek Parkway and Interstate 25. No current Town funds will be used*



## Managing Town fiscal obligations

- Complete the 2017 Community Survey
- ✓ *Survey results were presented to Town Council in May; the report from the follow-up focus group was provided to Council in October*
- Update the Town's strategic plan
- ✓ *Council affirmed the Town's strategic priorities as part of the 2018 Budget process*
- Complete the 2018 Budget, along with the annual three-year financial plan and five-year Capital Improvement Program
- ✓ *Council adopted the 2018 budget, annual three-year financial plan and capital improvement program on September 19*