



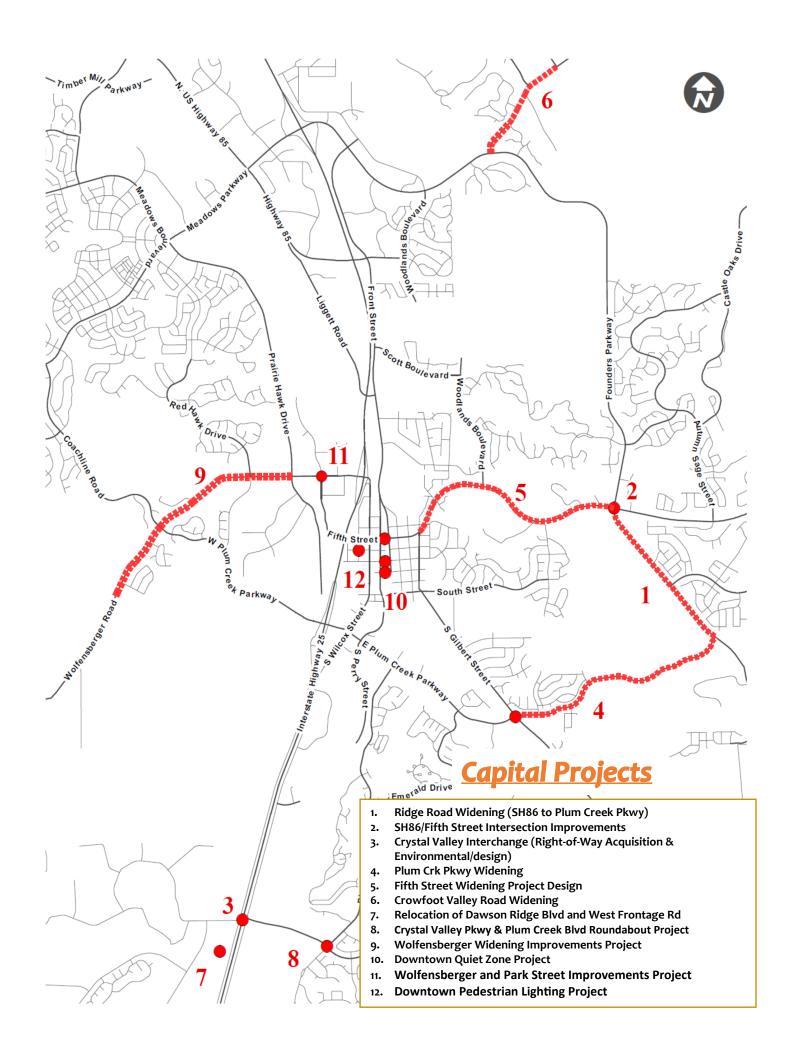
# **Monthly Report**

# September 2023

The Public Works Department operates under the **CAN DO** philosophy – We are committed to doing the job right with a positive attitude while staying dedicated to meeting the needs of our Town values and continually searching for opportunities to improve.

**PW Mission:** To provide outstanding service, safety and support for transportation infrastructure and maintenance.





 Ridge Road Widening – Ridge Road will be widened from two to four lanes between the Founders Parkway (SH86)/ Fifth Street/Ridge Road intersection and Plum Creek Parkway. The goal is to reduce traffic congestion on the Ridge Road corridor.

**Phase: Construction** 

 Continue paving operations with full access on October 6, 2023

**Budget:** \$5,225,000 total funding **ROW Acquisition:** Complete

Targeted Construction Completion: Fall 2023

- Founders Parkway (SH86)/Fifth Street Intersection "Four Corners" Improvements This project will enhance one of the primary intersections in Town. Founders Parkway, SH-86, Ridge Road and Fifth Street intersect at the project location. Each leg of the intersection is classified as a major arterial facility and the intersection is currently operating above its capacity. The improvements this project will implement include:
  - Intersection will remain a full movement four-way intersection. Additional turn lanes and acceleration lanes will be added.
  - Traffic signal improvements will be made to incorporate the larger intersection.
  - Pedestrian and bicycle improvements will be constructed on all four sides of the project.
  - Stormwater detention and water quality improvements will be constructed to capture the additional surface volume from the new intersection.

**Phase: Construction** 

- Received all clearances to start construction
- Construction scheduled to start on October 4th.

Budget: \$12,400,000 total funding

\*Targeted Construction Completion: Summer 2024

3. <u>Crystal Valley Interchange – Pre-construction Activities</u> – The purpose of this project is to achieve acquisition of remaining right-of-way, complete design, and set aside future project funding allowing potential funding partnerships to assist with advancing construction.

Phase: Right-of Way Acquisition

- The Town's Legal team is communicating with the owner of the remaining parcel, Douglas County Development Company. The Town continued to work on a ROW swap with Westside Investments for a portion of the existing Territorial Road, and it is anticipated the parcels will be acquired prior to start of construction on CVI Package 2 in late 2023.
- East side of I-25 Town has acquired immediate possession of the Hyperion parcel. The Town's Legal team is communicating with the owner of the remaining parcel, Douglas County Development Company. Valuation trail for Boone parcel has been pushed to February 5, 2024.

**Budget:** \$2,430,000 total funding **Acquisition Completion:** End of 2023

Phase—Design: - Interchange Access Request and Environ-

mental Assessment Reevaluation, and Design

#### Package 1

- Town received the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for jurisdictional determination. Gambel Ridge drainage was found to be non-jurisdictional.
- Project team working on late comments from FHWA on the re-evals.
- Awaiting clearance from CDOT to proceed with Package 1 construction.

#### Package 2

- Waiting to receive final direction from CDOT on the TDM strategies and System Level Study. Staff is working with CDOT to present the project to the State Transportation Commission in the October workshop. Anticipating approval at the November Transportation Commission meeting
- Design firm continues working on design for Package 2, this included the new request for a single point merge on I-25, 100% design is anticipated in mid-October
- Maintenance IGA is being revised to include TDM strategies

**Budget:** \$7,580,000 total funding **Design Completion:** End of 2023

Targeted Construction Completion: Fall of 2026

4. Plum Creek Parkway Widening Phase 2 – This project will implement the Transportation Master Plan's identified improvements for this corridor. The addition of the remaining two lanes of the master planned four-lane roadway on Plum Creek Parkway between Eaton Street and Ridge Road. Not only will it include the addition of 2 lanes, but also bicycle and pedestrian multi use lanes. It will also include roundabout modifications at Ridge Road.

Phase 2: Plum Creek Pkwy Widening (Eaton to Ridge): Construction — The following is a summary of design activities performed this month:

Continued paving operations with full access on October 13th.

**Budget:** \$7,530,000 total funding

Targeted Construction Completion: Fall 2023

Fifth Street Widening Project Design – Fifth Street is a major arterial connecting local and regional travel between the easterly portions of Town and I-25. Roadway and pedestrian improvements for Fifth Street have been identified within the 2017 Transportation Master Plan (TMP) that will maintain adequate capacity and ensure efficient road network connections for future development.

The Fifth Street Widening project will complete all design elements for implementation of the full build-out transportation network from South Gilbert Street to Ridge Road as identified in the TMP. The improvements include:

- Widen to 4-lanes from Woodlands Boulevard to Ridge Road
- Add on-street bike lanes between Gilbert Street and
- Ridge Road
- Add sidewalks from Sixth Street to Ridge Road
- Roundabout and signal light construction at Woodlands Boulevard and Valley Drive respectively.

#### Phase: Design

- Agreements are in place with consulting firms to start property appraisal and land acquisitions services
- Gained additional design approvals from Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT)

Budget: \$1,500,000 total funding
Design Completion: September 2023
Right-of-way acquisition: Summer 2024
\*Targeted Construction Completion: 2026

- 6. Crowfoot Valley Road Widening This project involves the widening of Crowfoot Valley Road from the intersection of Knobcone Drive to the Town boundary. The objective of this project is to reduce congestion due to current and forecasted traffic volumes, as well as safety improvements for both vehicles and pedestrians alike. The project will include:
  - Roadway widening to four through lanes
  - Right and left turn auxiliary lanes where warranted
  - Signal at Sapphire Pointe intersection
  - Complete sidewalks throughout the project corridor

#### Phase: Design

- Gained approvals for proposed water quality and drainage approach/design
- 10% conceptual submittal comments are due on October 6th.
- Staff reviewing early procurement equipment. Anticipating early November
- Obtained \$250k from County for design
- Continued development of project design

**Budget:** \$810,000 total funding **ROW Acquisition:** Late 2023 –2024 **Design Completion:** Early 2024

\*Targeted Construction Completion: Early 2025

#### 7. Relocation of Dawson Ridge Blvd and West Frontage Rd –

The purpose of this project is to relocate the I-25 West Frontage Rd to the west of the BNSF Railroad tracks to provide access to the surrounding neighborhoods and residents after the Crystal Valley Interchange is complete.

**Phase:** Design – CORE Consultants is the design consultant for this project. The following is a summary of the activities performed this month:

- Revised 100% plans are in review with the Town
- Town continues to explore coordinating management of the Town's portion of Dawson Trails Blvd construction with Westside Investments to gain efficiencies and cost savings
- IGA between Town and Dawson Trail Metro Distrit for the construction management of Dawson Trails Blvd concurrent with the interchange construction is scheduled to be presented to Town Council on October 17th.

**Budget:** \$299,000 total funding **Design Completion:** Fall 2023

Targeted Construction Completion: Summer of 2025 in con-

junction with Crystal Valley Interchange

8. <u>Crystal Valley Pkwy & Plum Creek Blvd Roundabout Project</u>
This intersection is a major arterial currently controlled by

stop signs in two directions. As the traffic volumes increase and with ongoing residential development and future construction of the new Crystal Valley Interchange, this existing traffic control will not be the most efficient and could contribute toward increased accidents. This project will install two lane roundabout intersection in order to improve the traffic capacity of the intersection, help to manage speeds along Crystal Valley Parkway, and to accommodate the growth in traffic that is expected to increase once the Crystal Valley Intersection has been constructed.

#### Phase – Construction

- Embankment work continues on the north haft of the project.
- Paving operations start week of October 9th.
- Anticipating full access by October 20th.

Budget: \$3,500,000 total funding

**Targeted Construction Completion:** Fall 2023

Wolfensberger Widening Improvements Project- Wolfensberger Road is a major arterial connection for local and regional travel between the westerly portions of Town and I-25. Roadway and pedestrian improvements for Wolfensberger have been identified within the 2017 Transportation Master Plan (TMP) that will maintain adequate capacity and ensure efficient road network connections for future development.

The Wolfensberger Widening Improvements Project will complete all design elements for the implementation of the full build out transportation network from the western Town limits to Prairie Hawk Drive.

- Widening roadway to a full 4-lane arterial section
- Addition of sidewalk along both sides of Wolfensberger
- Roundabout construction at Red Hawk/Auburn and Wolfensberger Intersection
- Removal of existing traffic signal
- Stormwater drainage improvements
- Implementation of on street bike lanes West/East bound

**Phase:** Planning/Design

- Revised 30% design submitted to the Town, design has been put on pause
- Working on service agreements for ROW acquisition

**Budget:** \$2,500,000 total funding **Design Completion:** TBD

Right of Way Acquisition: TBD

\*Targeted Construction Completion: TBD

<u>Downtown Quiet Zone Project</u> - This project is to implement a quiet zone through the downtown Castle Rock area. In order to implement the quiet zone, improvements must be constructed at three railway crossings: Second Street, Third Street and Fifth Street. The scope of the improvements to be constructed with this project include: additional crossing gates, pedestrian crossing improvements, ADA improvements, sign and marking improvements, curb and gutter additions and general railroad (Union Pacific or UP) coordination. The benefits of this project will be improved

safety for vehicles and pedestrians and improved quality of life for downtown businesses, residents and patrons.

**Phase:** Construction - The following is a summary of activities performed this month:

- Working on addressing comments from Union Pacific inspection
- Continued planning coordination with Union Pacific for railroad crossing gate installations anticipated to be constructed in December 2023

Budget: \$1,800,000 total funding

Targeted Construction Completion: Early 2024

11. Wolfensberger and Park Street Improvements Project-Wolfensberger Road is a major arterial connection for local and regional travel between the westerly portions of Town and I-25. Roadway and pedestrian improvements for Wolfensberger and Park Street have been identified to increase intersection operations and provide better pedestrian access to the Downtown area.

The Wolfensberger and Park Street Improvements Project will complete all design elements for the implementation of pedestrian and transportation improvements.

- Relocate traffic signal pole
- Increase sidewalk width
- Replace existing ADA ramps
- Construct additional turn lane on Park Street

#### Phase- Planning/Design

- Obtained bids from contractors, 30% higher than available budget
- Came to agreement with adjacent property owners for acquisitions
- Staff identifying scope refinement opportunities to lower construction cost
- Re-advertise for construction late 2023

Budget: \$57,000

**Design Completion:** May 2023

Right of Way Acquisition: October 2023

\*Target Construction Completed: pending acceptable bids

12. Downtown Pedestrian Lighting Project—In 2019, the Town was awarded a grant to fund safety improvements in the Downtown area. The grant is to be used to provide improvements to existing areas with known safety issues. The Town has identified various areas in the Downtown area that are not properly lit to Town standards. The Town will work to design and construct additional lighting in areas that currently do not meet our criteria to ensure safe traveling corridors for pedestrians and motorists in the downtown area.

Elements that will be included in this project are:

- Photometric analysis of the downtown area
- · Identify locations where additional lighting is needed
- Design and construct necessary facilities to provide power to lighting locations

#### Phase - Planning/Design

Olsson completed and submitted conceptual plans to

the Town and CDOT

- Work continues on design
- Historic preservation board would like to review plans once they get to a more complete set to give approval
- No ROW is necessary for project
- An assessment of lighting along same corridors in downtown area was submitted for Town use along with conceptual design

**Budget:** \$600,000 total funding **Design Completion:** November 2023 **Right of Way Acquisition:** N/A

\*Targeted Construction Completion: December 2023

\*These are subject to change based on adjusted revenue forecasts and results of bids received.

<u>Traffic Signal System Upgrades</u> – This project is a multi-year signal system upgrade project that began in 2015 and is ongoing as funds are available. The project has included proven technology advances at signalized intersections, for our daily operations, and for communications between the center and each intersection.

- Staff is a part of the CDOT managed, adaptive signal system project that has implemented adaptive signal timing on Founders Parkway, and Meadows Parkway, and Factory Shops Boulevard. Eight abutting Town signals are included in the system. The Kadence system is continuing to be monitored for successful operation. The project team effort has been paused while the consultant contract is revised.
- Phase II of the Town's ATSPM project includes software development and signal timing. ATSPM Dashboard training was completed with the consultant and CDOT staff. Consultant has provided an updated draft of the Signal System Management Plan to incorporate these performance metrics for Town staff to review.
- The Town is awaiting a draft IGA from CDOT for Connected Vehicle hardware. The project is delayed due to year end priorities at CDOT. Once executed this two-year project will kickoff in earnest. The Town's project scope focuses on messaging intersection safety and driver awareness of operations and maintenance at high crash locations using connected vehicle technology.

**Budget:** \$868,700

Targeted Construction Completion: End of year 2024

<u>2023 Safety Projects</u> – This project includes concrete safety devices in conjunction with the Pavement Maintenance Program, installation of pedestrian crossing beacons at six locations, Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) on Meadows Blvd to warn drivers of signal changes and queue awareness, intersection safety improvements, and missing sidewalk connections.

- Construction is complete on intersection safety improvements and a patio at 4<sup>th</sup> and Jerry.
- Construction is complete on pedestrian refuges at Mitchell and Fallon, Mitchell and Cass, Woodlands and Trail Boss, and Foothills and Morningview. Construction

is also complete on intersection safety improvements at proceeding in a clockwise fashion. 5th and Jerry and a raised crosswalk at Valley and completed within the allotted contract time. South.

The consultant for the Limelight ITS system has provid- Full Depth Reclamation ed controller logic and system design as well as cost estimates for various design options that are all within Full Depth Reclamation continued through September and is budget. Staff are recommending a hardwired unit for better reliability and similar benefit to cost and is proceeding to get three construction quotes.

**Budget:** \$410,000

**Construction Completion:** Winter 2023

Illuminated Street Name Signs - Town staff chose Gades Sales Co for the 2023 illuminated street name sign materials. All signs have been received by the Town; staff is currently awaiting additional mounting hardware that is delayed in manufacturing. Installation of signs cannot proceed without the necessary mounting hardware at Founders Pkwy and Rising Sun, Founders Pkwy and Ridge Road (Four Corners), Wolfensberger and Park St, and Wolfensberger and Caprice.

2022 & 2023 PO: \$73,582

**Targeted Construction Completion:** Winter 2023

Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) - Town staff has determined six locations to install RRFBs for 2023. The RRFBs will be installed in locations in which they are the most effective and beneficial to the traveling public. Supplemental pedestrian refuges are being recommended for three of the locations. Equipment has been delivered and received by the Town. Staff plans to build and install signs in September.

**2023 Total Safety Budget:** \$90,000

Targeted Construction Completion: Fall 2023

#### 2023 Pavement Maintenance Program (PMP)

The 2023 PMP will focus its efforts in the East PMP area with additional work taking place on primary streets (Second Street, Fourth Street, Mikelson Blvd, and Woodlands Blvd). A section of Mikelson Blvd, as well as certain residential neighborhood streets, will see reconstruction this year.

## Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter

The Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter project was completed in the month of June. Contractor completed all punchlist items and project came in under contract time and budget

## **Asphalt Overlay**

The Asphalt Overlay Project continued through the month of

Project is on track to be

progressing in a clockwise manner. Concrete repairs, reclaiming and paving operations are expected to cona couple of tinue for months. The project is on track to be completed within allotted contract days.



#### **Miscellaneous Concrete**

The Miscellaneous Concrete Project began in September. The



contractor began work on Monday, September 18. The contractor will perform various surface treatments, from Full Depth Reconstruction, Slurry Seal, Seal Coat application as well as concrete pavement and curb, gutter and sidewalk repairs.

#### **Slurry Seal**

The Slurry Seal project was completed in the month of July. Contractor has completed punchlist items and the required sweeping.

## **2023 Facilities Parking Lot Improvements Program**

The contractor began concrete repairs in September. Reconstruction of the parking lots at Gemstone Park and Fire Station #163 will begin in early October. This year's maintenance program will see needed improvement made to six (6) parking lots from various Town departments.

Parking lots that are scheduled include the following:

Founder's Fire Station #153 Prairie Hawk Fire Station #154 Founder's Treatment Plant

Gemstone Park Parking Lot Weaver II Well Field Ray Waterman Treatment Plant

Work is scheduled to be completed by November 3.

## 2023 Bridge Maintenance Program (BMP)

Project went out for competitive bids on June 9. Only one (1) contractor submitted a bid. The bid was opened June 21 and documented. After review, it was decided to defer the bridge project this year and transfer funds to 2024 to address a bridge September. Asphalt patching, asphalt milling and paving are that has a low sufficiency rating. Staff is working with BASIS Partners to complete documents and plans needed for the project Street Light Operations bid packet to be advertised in December. The bridge identified for necessary repairs is the Plum Creek Parkway over Sellars Gulch.

# Development Division

#### **Review and Permitting**

Development Review - All 39 reviews were completed. No late reviews this month.

**Permitting & Inspection –** 37 right-of-way permits were issued.

# Itansportation Plann

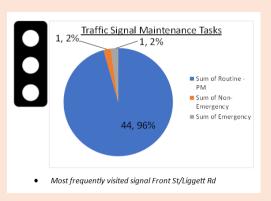
#### **Taxi Voucher Program**

For the month of September, the Taxi Voucher Program funded 116 rides; which is an 11% increase from last year's Septem- Operations ber total of 104, and a 23% decrease from last month's total rides (150). Transportation services are provided for Castle Rock citizens who cannot drive, have a disability that prevents them from driving, or do not have access to a vehicle. In September, 23 individuals used the Taxi service. Of those individuals, 81% of the rides were for work, 5% for shopping trips, and 14% for medical appointments. Forty-seven rides were provided for people without access to a vehicle, 25 rides to seniors, and 44 rides to disabled riders.

The Castle Rock Senior Center provided a total of 820 rides in September.

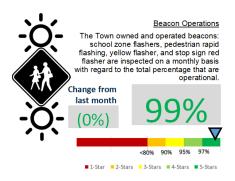
#### **Traffic Engineering and Operations**

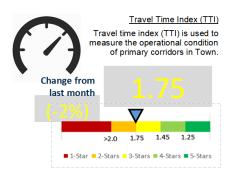
## **Traffic Signal Operations and Maintenance**





#### Beacon





#### **Street Signs and Pavement Marking Maintenance**

For the month of September, the team completed 536 tasks. Of these tasks, 66 of them were sign work activities related to fabrication, install, repairs, replacements, inspections and investigations. We had 307 beacon related tasks, including windshield inspections, and repairs. One-hundred three tasks were marking related tasks that include inspections and replacements. Other tasks included 35 small projects, three liquor license posting, three delineator installs, one locate, one core drill, and 14 special event tasks and two work zone tasks.

Marking contractor, Colorado Barricade, is 84% for white and 90% complete for yellow long lines. Town staff paint marking

work is 89%, durable thermoplastic marking is 55%, summer sign projects are 55%, and RRFB installs are 10% complete.

#### **Transportation Planning**

#### Castle Rock Downtown Wayfinding Sign Plan:

The consultant is finalizing their recommendations for the wayfinding sign locations and listed destinations on each sign. When completed, the technical team will review it. The different sign designs have been finalized. The final report is on schedule to be completed in the next couple of months and will be provided to the Town Manager to share with Council. Presentations will be given to Downtown stakeholders in October.

#### Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program (NTCP):

The NTCP exists to verify and address quality of life items associated with vehicular traffic on local neighborhood streets and certain residential collector roadways. A new inquiry was received for the following street: Villageview Lane in September. The initial support petition will be reviewed by Town staff. Once approved, a speed study can be conducted. Town staff reviewed the speed study for Arabella Drive and it does meet the minimum speed threshold. Staff has contacted the homeowner and is waiting to hear if they still want to proceed with process. Objective/Benchmark: Technician productivity percentage of Town staff has also created a draft plan for N. Meadows Drive which is being amended based on management comments.

## DRCOG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) & Federal **Grant Applications:**

There are no new updates for September. Previously, the DRC-OG Board approved the 2024-2027 TIP in August, which includes \$8.5 million for CVI, and \$5 million for the Industrial Tributary Productivity Trail project from the MAC to Downtown. Staff is currently working with CDOT on getting the IGA signed as quickly as possible. TIP funds will be available in FY 2024 through FY2026. Staff also submitted a new MPDG grant application to USDOT for the CVI project. The grant request was for \$10.5 million. Town staff will continue to pursue other grant opportunities as they are announced.

# Fleet Servic

As you drive around Castle Rock and see the different departments providing first-class service throughout the community, community and our residents. Our services support the Police and Fire Departments, Public Works, Parks and Recreation and

the Recreation and Activity Center and Town Hall.

The Fleet Services Division had a busy month performing repair activities and managing vehicle additions and replacements. Below is a snap shot of the Fleet Division activities this past month.

#### KPI's

Objective/Benchmark: Town vehicles and equipment available for use 95% of time.

Outcome: Fleet Availability was 98%. Our technicians continue to keep the town vehicles moving.

Objective/Benchmark: Complete at least 75% of our Work orders within 48-hours of coming to shop.

Outcome: The Fleet team completed 60% of the work orders within 48-hours of opening repair requests or service requests. The high volume of work orders and repairs continued in September. Work completion rates slowed in September due to new vehicle installs and vendor warranty repairs that took longer than expected for the vendors to receive parts and do repairs.

70% (APWA standard)

**Outcome:** Technician productivity was 80%. Our technicians direct labor percentage was higher than normal this month. It was a very busy month for repairs with our technicians working as fast as they could diagnosing and repairing vehicles and equipment.

Fleet continued to produce at a high level this month. We had 121 work orders with 208 repairs for 110 different assets ranging from preventative maintenance and repairs, unscheduled repairs, capitalization of new assets, into service and accidents. September was one of our higher expense and revenue months for the Fleet. We continued putting new assets along with performing scheduled and unscheduled maintenance and repairs. Our staff continues to produce at a high level while maximizing the resources that we have.

# Shop Operations and Management

Fleet activity stayed steady from August through September. Management made offers to two candidates for the Fleet Technician and Parts Specialist position. We are excited that they you will notice how they rely on their Town vehicles. The Fleet accepted the offers and are now beginning their on board pro-Division takes pride in knowing that those vehicles are reliable cess to join our team on Monday, October 9. Fleet will be fully and safe to operate and that they are providing a service for our staffed for the first time in two years. Year-end budget estimate reviews were completed and we anticipate finishing 2023 under budget. We will continue review as we enter the colder months Castle Rock Water. We also support the important functions of that could drive up some repair activities such as battery re-Development Services, Engineering, Traffic, Signs and Markings, placements and snow plow repairs. Our parts cost continues to

rise as supply chains continue to struggle. We are waiting longer Asphalt and Pothole Repair for parts than in previous months. The United Auto Workers (UAW) strike has delayed delivery from original equipment man- The crews continue to address roadway repair needs with potufacturer (OEM) parts distribution warehouses in Denver. Vehicle manufacturing for our seven new police patrol vehicles on order appear to be on schedule for production with an estimated delivery of November 27. Two of our 2023 police unmarked vehicle orders have been delayed into 2024. Ford has also announced that no police Interceptor vehicles will be produced in Road Verge Maintenance 2024. All 2024 orders will be in the fall for 2025. Heavy truck manufacturing for our plow trucks is also expected to be delayed again, potentially into 2025. Vehicle auctions year to date have been successful in generating more than \$250k in revenue. We have also placed some assets back in service to extend the life and fill the needs of other departments.

Overall a very productive month for the Fleet Division. Thank you to the staff for their efforts this month.

# Street Operations **aintenance Divis**

During the month of September, the Street Operations & Maintenance Division (SO&MD) performed work in the following maintenance operations:

- \*Crack Seal Operations
  - \*Street Sweeping
- \*Patching & Pothole Repair
- \*Road Verge Maintenance
- \*Road Shoulder Maintenance
- \*Training

#### **Crack Seal Operations**

The crews finalized the last of the maintenance portion of the Crack Seal operation and moved immediately into the pre-PMP portion of the yearly crack sealing. The primary difference between the two operations is the maintenance portion treats streets in need of repair throughout the Town, while pre-PMP operations seal cracks which will not be addressed by the following year's Pavement Maintenance Program. The crews dedicated a total of 1139 hours and covered 49.38 lane miles of roadway during September.

#### **Street Sweeping**

The Streets Division worked diligently to keep the Town roadways clean of debris and dirt. The team swept a total of 161.31 lane miles over 132.5 hours to meet the needs of Downtown sweeping as well as post storm clean up needs. Ultimately, crews removed 26 cubic yards of material off of Town roadways.

hole repairs and asphalt patching repairs. The crews used 540 lbs of cold mix to mitigate minor potholes while also using just under 26 tons of hot mix asphalt to repair large potholes, with utility cuts utilizing 426 labor hours.

Mowing and weed control operations are still underway. September saw the team dedicate 149 hours to keep the road verge vegetation under control as well as to pick up trash found along the roadside. Mowing, trimming, weed control, and trash pickup operations were undertaken along 43.97 edge line miles of Town roadway.

#### **Road Shoulder Maintenance**

Additional rain caused the need for additional road shoulder work to be completed. The crews responded to the effects of the storms by repairing 1.28 lane miles of road shoulder over the course of 32 labor hours. This work looks to reestablish proper drainage as well as ensure a safe path for vehicles to exit the roadway should the need arise.

#### **Training**

The team also spent 202 hours completing coursework to enhance their job related capabilities in a number of operations. These include equipment qualifications, SOP familiarization, as well as courses to instruct and support various Town Values.

#### **Looking Ahead**

In October, the priority will be the preparation for the upcoming snow season. The division is ensuring equipment is ready, Plow Operators training is refreshed and needed support systems are up and running. Crack seal operations will continue and asphalt repair operations are also at the forefront of planning for the next month.