

# Development Services May 2023 Monthly Report



# **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

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# THE BRINKERHOFF & BAR HUMMINGBIRD



Rendering of Bar Hummingbird and The Brinkerhoff to be located at the Promenade. <u>See page 8</u> for more details on the project.

### **News from the Director**

The Town of Castle Rock is pleased to announce the appointment of new members to several Development Services Boards and Commissions. The Historic Preservation Board, Planning Commission, Design Review Board, Board of Building Appeals, and Board of Adjustment have all welcomed new members to their ranks.

We extend our gratitude to these individuals for their willingness to serve the community and contribute to the future development of our town. Serving on a Board or Commission offers a unique opportunity to shape the future of our community and make a meaningful impact.



Tara Vargish, PE Director Development Services

Members of these Boards and Commissions work collaboratively with Town staff and fellow community members to review and make recommendations on development proposals, zoning changes, and other matters related to the development of Castle Rock.

Our newly appointed members bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise to their respective Boards and Commissions and we look forward to their contributions. We encourage all members of our community to consider serving on a Board or Commission and becoming more involved in the decision-making processes that affect our town in the future. <u>See page 9</u> for more information on our new Board and Commission members, or visit our **Boards and Commissions** page at CRgov.com.

### **Employee Recognition** Anniversaries, New Employees, Staff Spotlight





Congratulations to Julie Kirkpatrick, Plan Review Project Coordinator on 12 years with the Town!



Congratulations to TJ Kucewesky, Assistant Director, on 7 years with the Town!



Congratulations to Kevin Wrede, Planning Manager, on 7 years with the Town!



**Congratulations to Cara Reed, Neighborhood Liaison,** on 6 years with the Town!

### **Staff Kudos**

- "Amazing job Carissa Ahlstrom!" – Sharon C.
- "You guys are always quick to respond and a great Town to work within!" – Graham C.
- "Excellent, thank you for the quick reply. You and Tammy King are really setting the bar with your responsiveness! Really appreciate it."

   Rick C.
- "Thank you for attacking this the way you have, Tina Close. You are a rock star!" – Bart C.



Congratulations to Kevin Arencibia, Combination Building Inspector, on 1 year with the Town!



Development Services team wearing green for Mental Health Awareness Day!

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# **Employee Recognition**

**Meet the** 

The Planning Team of Development Services consists of dedicated individuals who work together to help plan projects efficiently and ensure those plans follow Town codes consistently. Kevin Wrede is

day activities, while Brad Boland, Long Range Project Manager, focuses on Downtown development and historic preservation. Dena Paulin, Planner II, handles small commercial projects and Pam Hall, Planner I, coordinates the preapplication process with people who have

ideas about development in Castle Rock.

Staff Spotlight



Pictured top row left to right: BrieAnna Simon, Dena Paulin, Kevin Wrede Bottom row left to right: Brad Boland, Pam Hall, Darcie Hartman, Sandy Vossler

BrieAnna Simon and Sandy Vossler are Senior Planners who review Quasi-Judicial and administrative projects. They work with developers and applicants throughout the planning process. Darcie Hartman is the Development Services Technician who supports the whole team respectively.

Even with the variety of responsibilities, they all take pride in their work and collaborate regularly to ensure that every project is given the attention and proficiency it deserves; tackling unique situations that arise throughout the day while utilizing each team member's distinctive expertise and experience. Sandy noted that the work is never boring, and finds gratification in taking on unique challenges with each project. Dena stated that she enjoys watching a vacant piece of land turn into a building or housing development.

The team emphasizes that the planning process is not a quick or simple one and that each application can take months to review and get it into compliance with Town codes. They strive to balance the needs of developers and the public while keeping the goals of the Town in mind, as they work to make sure each project meets the Town's regulations.

In short, the Planning Team works together to ensure the Town's growth is planned responsibly and sustainably by meeting Town codes and Master Plan. If you want to know more about the Planning Team and or have planning questions, visit the Development Services Planning page at CRgov.com, or contact the Planning Team directly at Planning@CRgov.com.



# **Employee Recognition**



### **Customer Service Survey**

Fill out our Customer Feedback Survey to let us know how we are doing! Your participation will automatically enter you into a drawing for a **\$25 gift card** to a local



Castle Rock business. Feedback Surveys can be found <u>online</u> and at the bottom of staff email signatures.

459 surveys distributed34 May responses

You may also receive an email requesting feedback after we complete your services. Your feedback is valuable to us! All responses are anonymous unless you request to be contacted. <u>Fill out a survey today!</u>

#### Here are some comments from our customers in May:

- "Tammy King is easy to work with, very efficient, and an asset to the township."
- "Very pleased. Expected nothing less from the Town. Easy, responsive and reliable interactions. Thank you."
- "ToCR is knowledgeable and timely in providing their comments. A great group to work through a project with."
- "Castle Rock is one of the very few municipalities I work with where you can trust what is in the system. If the review is scheduled to be complete on a certain date, it is, 95% of the time. And that 5% is usually because I have comments."
- "Both **Sandy Vossler** and **Julie Kirkpatrick** were so wonderful to work with. Very professional, responsive and most importantly very helpful when questions would come up."
- "We are just getting ready to start our basement so we have only reached out as needed to move things forward. Our last project and the inspections went well, I trust this will too."
- "I was pleasantly surprised to be greeted with such a friendly and helpful staff member (both phone and email)."
- "I was so impressed by the responsiveness and professionalism of the Town of Castle Rock staff. I felt supported throughout the inspection process and am grateful for the overall experience! Thank you!"
- "Jason Smith is very helpful."
- "Town staff have always been prompt in meeting our requests."
- "Thanks so much for your quick response on our electrical permit Darcie Hartman!"
- **"Rob Dana** was great and very considerate. He was easy to work with, good at explaining the areas the needed correcting and was always prompt and efficient. My thanks to him in particular!"
- "All inspectors have been helpful answering questions."
- "Lenore Bennett went above and beyond to be of assistance and move my permit application along. Very appreciative."
- "Great Staff. Jason Smith is the best."
- "Great experience. Inspector Rob Dana was great and extremely helpful."

# **Contractor Luncheon**



The Town of Castle Rock has found great value in meeting regularly with our building contractors and their teams. These are great opportunities to discuss code and policy changes that impact construction in our Town. We learn from builders what we are doing well, how to improve communication, and how to streamline our permit processes. Our discussion time continues to help us understand each other's point of view!

# Discussion topics from May's Luncheon:

- New CO Policy Procedure Update
- 2023 Safety Month
- Stakeholders Meeting
- Fire Resistive Exterior Construction
- Gas Pipe Isometrics
- 2024 Updates
- Stormwater
- Be a Good Neighbor
- Signs
- Open Discussion



View luncheon meeting summary notes of past meetings online at CRgov.com

To receive discussion points on the agenda contact: buildingcounter@CRgov.com

To sponsor a contractor luncheon contact: <u>schavez@CRgov.com</u>

### **Next Contractor Luncheon:**

#### Wed., June 21, 2023

11:30 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

Castle Rock Water 175 Kellogg Court

\*Three or more Council, Board or Commission members may be attending this luncheon.



Consider donating spare change to DOT, our charity bank, when you're doing business at the building counter! All collections are donated to a local nonprofit at the end of the year.

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# **New Land Use Submittals**



### **Administrative Projects**

Administrative land use submittals are reviewed and processed by staff, according to Municipal Town Code, and do not require public hearings. All land use submittals go through a rigorous review by Development Services, Castle Rock Water, Public Works, Fire, and Parks and Recreation.



#### Founders Marketplace, McDonald's Construction documents and erosion control plans for 5,140 square-foot McDonald's Restaurant located on northeast corner of Fifth Street and Founders Parkway.



#### **The Famous Steakhouse** Site development plan amendment and construction documents for landscaping and elevations for The Famous Steakhouse restaurant located at 810 New Memphis Court.

#### Castle Rock Auto Dealership

Erosion control plans for phase 2 of 39,000 square-foot building addition and expanded parking located at 1100 S. Wilcox Street.

#### **Castle Rock Office Warehouse**

Design revision for extraterritorial fire service, water main extension located at 3197 N. Commerce Court.

#### Dawson Trails, Filing No. 1

Re-platting of five parcels for future development located north of the intersection of Territorial Road and Dawson Ridge Boulevard. Construction documents and erosion control plans for early grading of approximately 338 out of 414-acres of the Dawson Trails South site located west of I-25 and BNSF railroad, and south of Territorial Road. Construction documents and erosion control plans for northern section of Dawson Trails Boulevard infrastructure and right-of-way.

#### **Grand Mere Restaurant Group**

Replat to divide an existing 0.86-acre lot into two properties; lot one includes 0.297 acres and lot two includes 0.559 acres located at 340 S. Wilcox Street.

#### Hillside/Arbors

Storm drainage design revisions for 54 singlefamily lots located at northeast corner of Wolfensberger Road and Coachline Road.

#### Liberty Village

Construction documents for waterline installation along Pleasant View Drive.

## Meadows, Caliber Collision Auto Body Paint and Repair

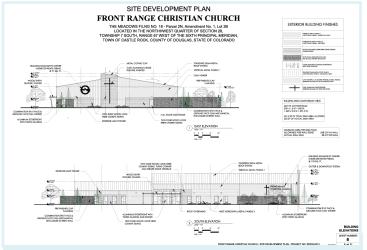
Site development plan amendment for proposed Caliber Collision Auto Body Paint and Repair located at 3563 Timber Mill Parkway.



# **New Land Use Submittals**



### **Administrative Projects**



#### Meadows, Front Range Christian Church Temporary offsite drainage easement for Front Range Christian Church located 3643 Timber Mill Parkway.



#### Verizon

Small cell facility design revision located at 644 S. Gilbert Street.

#### Meadows, Prairie Hawk Dental

Utility easement agreement for Prairie Hawk Dental located on northeast corner of Prairie Hawk Drive and Limelight Avenue. Erosion control plans for Prairie Hawk Dental office building located on northeast corner of Prairie Hawk Drive and Limelight Avenue.

### Meadows, VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic

Site development plan for proposed 25,096 square-foot VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic located between Dacoro Lane and Virtuoso Loop, north of Prairie Hawk Drive.

#### Meadows, Filing No. 19

Construction documents and erosion control plans for off-site extension of sanitary sewer to service Meadows Filing No. 19, Lot 1. The sewer extension would extend from Plum Creek Water Reclamation facility along the western side of the Union Pacific Railroad to the lot located south of N. Meadows Drive.

#### Plum Creek

Site development plan for three custom home lots and tracts located at Mt. Royal Drive and Prestwick Way.

### Promenade, The Brinkerhoff Restaurant and Bar Hummingbird

Drainage, drainage access and water easement agreements for The Brinkerhoff and Bar Hummingbird Restaurant buildings located on southwest corner of Castle Rock Parkway and Promenade Parkway. See page 2 for a rendering of the project.

#### Town project, Public Works

Erosion control plans for construction of Dawson's Ridge Boulevard.

#### Town project, Public Works

Erosion control plans for construction of Crystal Valley Interchange.



### Actions and Updates Boards and Commissions

### Town of CASTLE ROCK

Development Services supports five boards and commissions that serve specific purposes for building appeals, variance hearings, land use case recommendations and determinations. These boards and commissions consists of residents and in some cases business owners as appointed by Town Council.



#### Board of Adjustment May 4, 2023 Meeting canceled.



Design Review Board May 10, 2023 Meeting canceled.

May 24, 2023 Meeting canceled.



#### Historic Preservation Board May 3, 2023 Meeting canceled.



### Planning Commission

May 11, 2023 Meeting canceled.

#### May 25, 2023

The Planning Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting and heard the proposal for Memmen Young annexation and associated rezoning. The proposal requested to annex a 5-acre enclave parcel into the Town of Castle Rock and include it in the Memmen Young/ Founders Vista Planned Development. This proposal would reduce the allowed number of units from 904 to 562 while increasing the dedicated open space area by 31 acres. The Commission voted to recommend approval to Town Council by a vote of 5 to 0. The Commission also voted to recommend approval to Town Council of the Planned Development zoning by a vote of 3 to 2.

### **Town Council**

#### May 16, 2023

Interviews were conducted during a Special Town Council meeting on May 9 to fill current and upcoming vacancies for Boards and Commissions. The panel comprised of the current Chair or designee, staff liaison, and Council liaison. The panel recommended appointments that were ratified by Town Council during the May 16, 2023 meeting. The recommended appointments for Development Services Boards and Commissions, effective June 1, 2023, are:

#### **Board of Adjustment**

- Mike White
- Dalton Lyons
- Blerim Morina

#### Board of Building Appeals

- Chimezie "Mac" Akaya
- Glenn Pappas

#### Design Review Board

• Chris Leevers (reappointment)

#### **Planning Commission**

- Carlos Salinas
- Jeff Samuelson
- Kevin McHugh
- Todd Warnke
- Tom Martinez

#### **Historic Preservation Board**

- John Beystehner (reappointment)
- Robert Lange (reappointment)
- Diane Evans
- Chris Plucinski

Town Council also heard an item on multi-family parking requirements and asked staff to conduct more research for multi-family homes and provide updates at the next Council meeting. This could lead to an increase in the number of parking spaces required.

Visit our <u>webpage</u> at CRgov.com to find more information on upcoming public hearings and Board, Commissions, or Town Council meetings

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# CASTLE ROCK DEVELOPMENT SNAPSHOT: May 2023



83,658 Estimated Population

Population based on the total number of

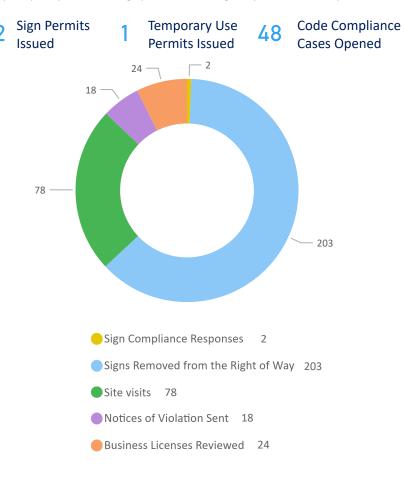
occupiable residential units



# **Zoning Division**

#### **Core Service Levels**

Zoning staff process numerous code enforcement actions each month, from rubbish, abandoned vehicles and setback encroachments to illegal uses. They respond to complaints from the community, visit sites to determine compliance and issue Notices of Violation as necessary. Our inspection team removes hundreds of illegal signs encroaching into Town rights-of-way. Staff reviews all business licenses, temporary use permits and sign permits for zoning compliance in a timely manner.



# Planning/Development Review

#### **Core Service Levels**

The Planning and Development Review teams process numerous submittals each month. These core service levels are reported for all land use projects, including projects that go through public hearings and projects that are under administrative review.

#### **Pre-Applications**

16New Pre-Applications This Month47

Year-to-Date Pre-Applications

#### 22%

Pre-Applications that advanced as new projects over the previous 12 months A pre-application meeting is required prior to any land-use submittal. Meeting may review conceptual ideas that never lead to a formal submittal. Pre-applications expire and must be resubmitted after 12 months.



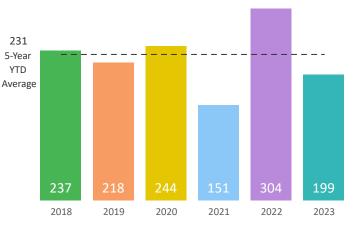
### Development Reviews



**9** Third Reviews or Greater

\*on time with the exception of 9 late first reviews, 2 late second reviews, and 9 late third reviews or greater due to high volume and being short staffed

#### Year-to-Date Planning/Development Reviews



#### **New Development Applications**

New Development

**Project Applications** 

this Month

Other Project Applications this Month

# CASTLE ROCK DEVELOPMENT SNAPSHOT: May 2023



# Building Division

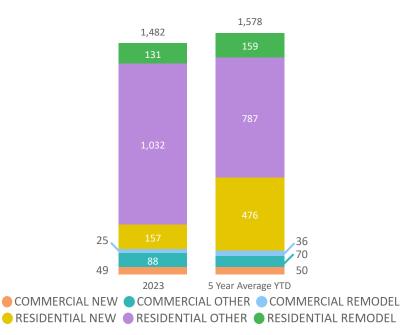
Building Division staff process hundreds of building permits a month, ranging from simple permits like a new hot water heater or deck, to constructing an entire new home or commercial building. Our inspection team conducts thousands of inspections each month to determine code compliance. We report on the following levels of service monthly, although they are just a snapshot of some of the work we do.

Development Services staff process permits, conduct inspections, respond to code violations and review plan submittals each month. This snapshot highlights staff activity during the previous month for the Zoning Division, Building Division and Planning/Development Review. Information on previous months can be found in the <u>Development Services'</u> <u>Monthly Report Archive.</u>

# 159 Building Fees Calculated: 159 Within 3 days Monthly Build 330 Building Permits Issued 4 1,990 Inspections Completed: 1,990 Within 24 Hours 4

#### **Building Permit Applications Received**

Year-To-Date Building Permit Applications Received



#### **Building Permits Reviewed**

#### Monthly Building Permit Reviews by Type

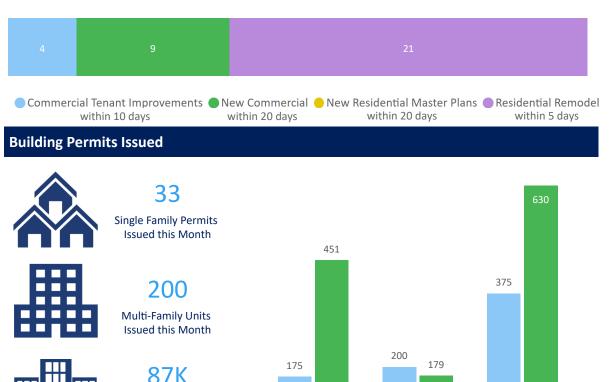
Square Feet of

Commercial Space Permitted Year-To-Date

**Commercial Space Permitted** 

Date Average

Compared to the 5 Year Year-To-



2023 YTD

Single Family

Multi-Family

Combined

5-Year Average YTD