

February 2020 Edition (Reporting on January 2020)

# **Development Services**

Building \* Planning \* Zoning

## Implementing the Community Vision through Development Activities





Bill Detweiler, Director Development Services

"For last year's words belong to last year's language, and next year's words await another voice."

~~T.S. Eliot

This month's Development Tales is brought to you by Assistant Director, Tara Vargish.

anuary is often the month to look ahead,

plan the year, and possibly make resolutions for improvement or personal growth. Here, in Development Services, we have many new changes ahead of us in 2020. One improvement will be an upgrade to our electronic tracking software eTrakit, that is used for all planning and building permits, site construction and zoning issues. We plan to be using the enhanced system toward the end of February, and are looking forward to improved efficiencies for our customers, as well as smoother internal operations for our staff. We are always looking to improve our communication and coordination with our residents and our customers, and see this upgrade in line with our goal to deliver high-quality customer service.

> For the latest in development activity, please visit: www.CRgov.com/DevelopmentActivity

## **DEVELOPMENT TALES**

So winter sets in here in Castle Rock and we kick off a whole new decade, January permitting activity stayed busy and consistent with past projections. Single-family building permits for the month are close to the 5-year average for January, showing that Castle Rock continues to be a desirable community to live in. Although winter weather can slow down projects, we are seeing a typical permitting pattern for this time of year, keeping with the projection that home building activity in 2020 will be similar to what we experienced in 2019.

*CWP* e wish you the best as 2020 starts to unfold. Please let us know how our team can best assist you, as we begin the next decade in Castle Rock together!



## **STAFF SPOTLIGHT**

### Meet the staff...

The Development Services Enterprise Team is a diverse group with outstanding professional talent. The team works collectively to accomplish the Mission, Vision, and Values of the organization and to achieve the Enterprise program mission, "Implementing Community Vision through Development Activities." Each month we will recognize one staff member to provide you with an inside look at the life and work experiences of our teammates. This month we are introducing you to:

#### Sean Madden, PW Plan Review Engineer



Sean grew up in a very rural area in southwest New Mexico and relocated to Denver in 1989. Sean's father was very helpful in directing him to the civil engineering field and his first engineering job was a Soils and Concrete Technician. Sean started Red Rocks Community College at the age of 25 and graduated from Colorado University-Denver at the age of 30. Fortunately, he had obtained a great part-time/full-time summer engineering position while attending college.

Sean enjoys mechanical challenges and modifications of cars, snowboarding and fishing. Sean and his father own 35 acres near Westcliffe, in the Wet Mountains. The two of them enjoy viewing the beautiful Sangre-de-Cristo Mountains across the valley and wildlife in the area.

Sean is thankful to the Town for the employment opportunity at Public Works and to be a part of the Development Services Enterprise Team. He says everyone has been very nice, supportive and willing to help with difficult situations related to development issues.





# WHAT'S NEW - PEOPLE

### **Years of Service Awards**

In January, Development Services Director, Bill Detweiler, presented one-year service awards to the following staff members:



Dena Paulin Plan Review Project Coordinator



Ben Christensen Development Services Technician



Ben Robinson Combination Building Inspector





Pam Hall Planner I



Ron Weller Combination Building Inspector



Tracy Shipley Development Services Technician

At a Special Recognition Event in December 2019, staff members pictured below were presented with various Years of Service Awards:



Sean Davin Construction Project Manager 20 Years



Sandy Vossler Senior Planner 15 Years



Larry Hearold Plan Review Project Coordinator 5 Years

# WHAT'S NEW - PEOPLE

## **New Public Works Right-Of-Way Inspector**

Please welcome Matthew Anderson, Public Works Right-of-Way Inspector. Matthew has been with the Town for three years starting with Castle Rock Water. He brings a lot of right-of-way experience to our team along with previous excavation and infrastructure experience. Matthew's duties in his new position will be overseeing and managing projects within the Town's right-of-way. He will be working to ensure the Town's infrastructure is properly monitored and cared for along with ensuring contractors are following the Town's policies and procedures while working in the right-ofway.

Matthew grew up in Utah and Montana and moved to Colorado at the turn of the century. He enjoys living in Colorado and takes advantage of all of its outdoor qualities including fishing, ranching and spending time in the mountains with his family.



Matthew Anderson Public Works Right -of-Way Inspector

### **New Public Works Development Lead Engineer**



Will Peacock Public Works Development Lead Engineer

Please welcome Will Peacock, Development Lead Engineer. Peacock will manage the Public Works development staff that works in partnership with the Development Services Enterprise Team. He will also work with our developer partners to ensure that the Town is receiving quality public infrastructure built by the development community and turned over to the Town. Will is a registered Professional Engineer, and has great engineering experience as a Navy veteran and working with private engineering firms. Will is a terrific, new asset to our Town staff, and he is looking forward to continuing to advance our important development efforts.



## **KUDOS**

## **Zoning Division**



**Tammy King** 

Zoning

Manger

On January 16th a resident left a voice message thanking Tammy King, Zoning Manager and Scott Seubert, Zoning Inspector, for their assistance with Heritage Community Church's parking lot lighting. With Tammy and Scott's assistance, the Church has agreed to hood and redirect their parking lot lights.



Scott Seubert Zoning Inspector

## **Building Division**



Kathleen Danziger interned as a Plans Examiner with the Building Division July 2019 through December 2019. On January 23rd, Kathleen sent the following note to the Chief Building Official, Joseph Montoya, "I wanted to send you and everyone in the Building Division my sincere thanks for all your support during my internship. I learned so much, and learned even more things I need to learn in the future! I find myself better prepared to face my classes, and feel that I have an advantage going forward in having experienced 'the other side of the desk'. Thank you all so much for the wonderful opportunity and experience of interning in the Building Division, and for all the hard work you all put in every day making Castle Rock a better place."

#### Danziger Plans Examiner

## **Building Division**

On January 28th, Development Services Technician, Diane Maki, received the following note of thanks, "I appreciate you going that extra mile to schedule Brett to come out and take a look at my fireplace build. Brett Wilkie was great to answer my questions and clear up the misunderstanding I had about the inspection process."



Diane Maki Development Services Technician



Brett Wilkie Combination Building Inspector

# PROJECTS

### **Encore Groundbreaking Ceremony**

Mayor Jason Gray, Council Members, Town Manager, Dave Corliss, DS Director, Bill Detweiler, and DS Assistant Director, Tara Vargish, attended the Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Encore Project on January 31st, at the Encore Site. The event was hosted by the Confluence Company.

Encore is a mixed-use project south of Town Hall in downtown Castle Rock, which includes 124 for-sale residential condominium units, 27,000 square feet of retail/office space, and a 601-space parking garage, replacing the existing Town Hall parking lot.



**Groundbreaking Ceremony** 



Jason Gray Mayor



# **PROJECT UPDATES**

## **New Land Use Submittals (Public Hearings Not Required)**

#### **Castle Oaks:**

Site Development Plan Amendment and Replat: To divide one lot into two (Dog Bone Park and Terrain Swim Club), located east of Autumn Street and Castle Oaks Drive intersection.

#### **Castle Rock Outlets:**

**Site Development Plan Amendment:** For two additional pad sites, located on west side of the Outlet Mall on Factory Shops Boulevard.

Site Development Plan Amendments: For five small cell towers on multiple outlet buildings, located on Factory Shops Boulevard.

#### **Crystal Valley Ranch:**

Landscape Design Revision: For single-family detached home project, located at Crystal Valley Parkway and Loop Road.

**Soil Erosion Control Plans:** For vertical construction of 120-lot single-family project, located at Loop Road and Cholla Trail.

**Soil Erosion Control Plans:** For vertical construction of 208-lot single-family project, located at Loop Road and Deer Hollow Trail.

#### Founders Village, Lower Sunstone:

Floodplain Revision: Located south of SH86 and Autumn Sage.

#### Founders Marketplace:

Site Development Plan Amendment: Minor site revision for Canvas Credit Union, located at the northeast corner of Founders Parkway and SH86.

#### Liberty Village:

**Irrigation Design Revision:** For 174 lot single-family subdivision, located north of Castle Oaks Drive and west of 1st McMurdo Gulch Bridge.

#### Meadows:

**Grading and Soil Erosion Revision:** For future commercial-office-industrial tract, located westerly of new roundabout on North Meadows Drive.

#### <u>Metzlers:</u>

**Site Development Plan Amendment:** For Dutch Brothers Coffee, located at 248 Metzler Drive previously Good Times Burgers).



# **PROJECT UPDATES**

## **New Land Use Submittals (Public Hearings Not Required)**

#### Promenade:

Plat Amendment and Site Development Plan Amendment: For four new pads and lot sites, located on the east side of Promenade Parkway, southeasterly of Verizon store.

Site Development Plan Amendment: For new 4,000 square foot retail building, located on east side of Promenade Parkway (south of Verizon building).

**Site Development Plan Amendment:** For Buffalo Wild Wings, 7.074 square-foot, full-service restaurant, located on southwest corner of Factory Shops Boulevard and New Memphis Court.

#### **Riverwalk North:**

**Proposed Lighting:** Proposed string lighting over Wilcox at crosswalk to Festival Park.

#### **Terrain:**

Plat Amendments for Design Revisions: For Ravenwood Pool Property, located near Valley View Drive and Rocky View Road.

#### **Town Project:**

**Construction and Soil Erosion Control Plans:** For construction of industrial tributary stabilization, located at the south end of Prairie Hawk Drive.

#### **Town Project Castle Rock Water Administration:**

Construction and Soil Erosion Control Plans: Located at 175 Kellogg Court.

#### **Burt at Castle Rock:**

Site Development Plan Amendment: For design revisions, located on Manatt Court.



# WHAT'S NEW - TOWN COUNCIL

## Ordinance Amending Title 17 of the Castle Rock Municipal Code by Adoptions of a New Chapter 17.51 Entitled Dissimilar Residential Interface Regulations

Town Council approved the second reading of an ordinance that establishes buffering requirements between dissimilar residential developments in Town. Dissimilar residential developments are properties where single-family detached homes are adjacent to either single-family attached or multi-family homes, or where single-family attached homes are adjacent to multi-family homes.

The ordinance establishes a minimum 50-foot buffer between dissimilar residential developments to help mitigate impacts between varying types of developments. The requirements apply to developments that share a property line (in whole or in part) or those separated by less than 50 feet of open space. The ordinance also allows Council to waive the requirements if certain conditions are met.

### **District 6 Open House**



On Thursday January 23rd, Councilmember George Teal held an open house at Fire Station 152 located in Crystal Valley. Town staff, including Bill Detweiler, Director of Development Services, was there to answer questions and provide updates on Town news.

George Teal Councilmember





## WHAT'S NEW - TOWN COUNCIL

### **District 3 Open House**



On Tuesday January 28rd, Councilmember Kevin Bracken held an open house at The Grange located in the Meadows. Town staff, including Tara Vargish, Assistant Director of Development Services, and Kevin Wrede, Planning Manager was there to answer questions and provide updates on Town news.

Kevin Bracken Councilmember







# WHAT'S NEW - BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

## **Design Review Board**



On January 22nd, the Design Review Board held their regularly-scheduled meeting. The Board approved a Resolution of Appreciation for Dennis Dickey for his service on the DRB. The Board also discussed the Town Council's ongoing review of the DRB's authority and design criteria for downtown projects.

## **Planning Commission**



The regularly scheduled Planning Commission meetings of January 9th and 23rd were cancelled.

### **Historic Preservation Board**



The regularly scheduled Historic Preservation Board meeting of January 1st was cancelled.

### **Board of Adjustment**



The regularly scheduled Board of Adjustment Board meeting of January 2nd was cancelled.



## WHAT'S NEW - GENERAL

### **Contractors Luncheon**

The January Contractors Luncheon was held on January 8th and sponsored by Adamo Homes. Approximately 50 people attended the luncheon. Agenda topics included:

- New Codes effective January 1st
- TESC Update
- Final Grade Certificate Bonding
- Master Plans
- Fire Resistive Unfinished Basement Inspection Request
- Orange Inspection Cards for 2018 Codes



Luncheon meeting summaries may be viewed by visiting: http://co-castlerock2.civicplus.com/2887/News-and-Updates

Upcoming sponsor opportunities are still available. Please contact our Development Services Technicians at buildingcounter@CRgov.com or 720-733-3527, and they would be happy to assist you.

The next contractors luncheon is scheduled for:



- Wednesday, February 12, 2020
- 11:30 am to 1:00 pm
- Mill House at Philip S. Miller Park 1375 W. Plum Creek Parkway

# WHAT'S NEW - GENERAL

## **Board and Commission Annual Appreciation Event**

January 29th was a special evening at Siena At The Courtyard, where the DS Board and Commission members gathered for an Italian dinner. Town Council members, as well as key DS staff, were in attendance to recognize and thank the Board and Commission members for their valuable time and volunteer service.

DS Director, Bill Detweiler, gave an overview of DS 2019 projects and accomplishments, in addition to 2020 projections.

Development Services supports five Boards and Commissions: Board of Adjustment, Board of Building Appeals, Design Review Board, Historic Preservation Board and the Planning Commission.







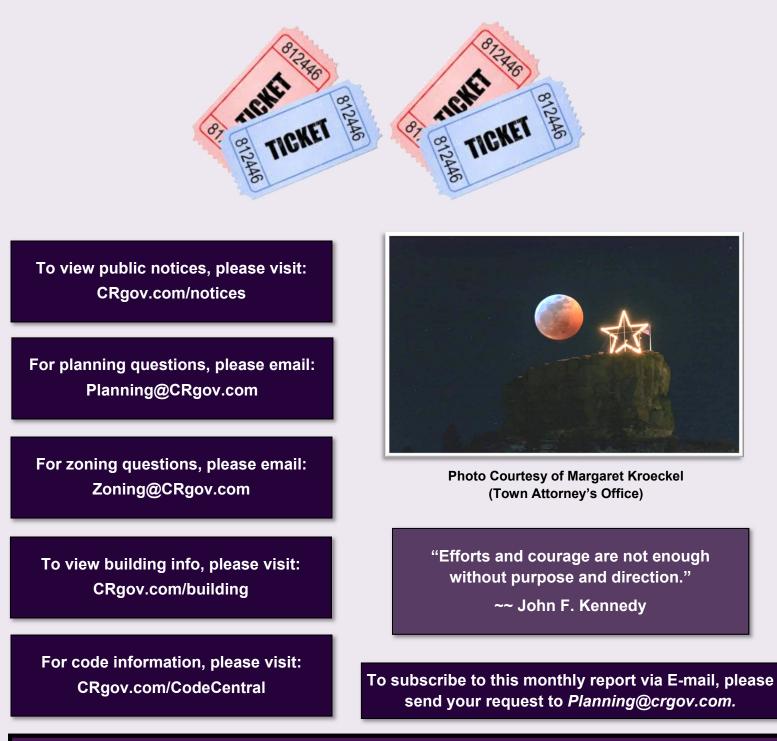


## WHAT'S NEW - GENERAL

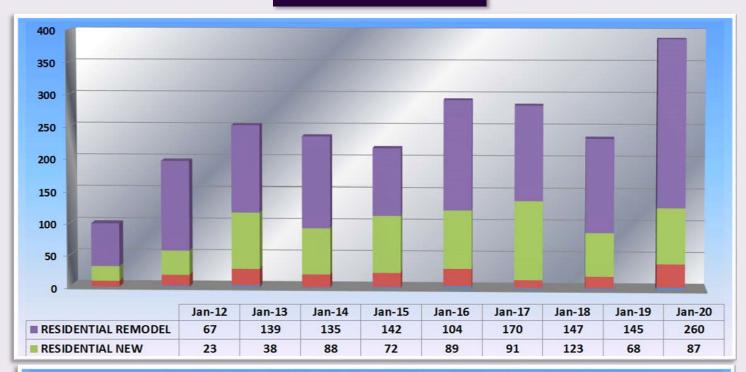
### **Customer Survey Winner**

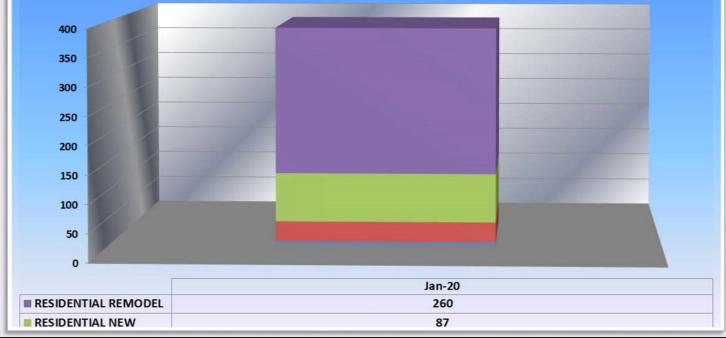
An electronic survey was implemented recently seeking input regarding our customer service program and level of responsiveness to inquiries and development activities. Customers who participate in the survey are entered into a monthly drawing for a chance to win a \$25 gift card to the Castle Rock Factory Outlets.

Congratulations to Steve Beard, winner of the January drawing!



## Building Division

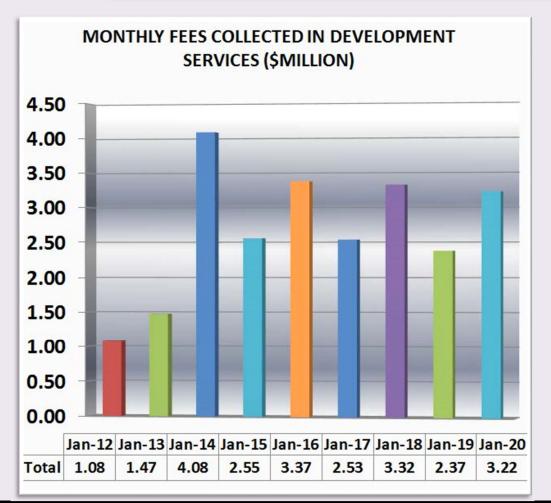


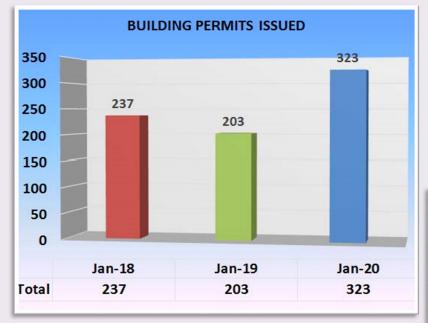


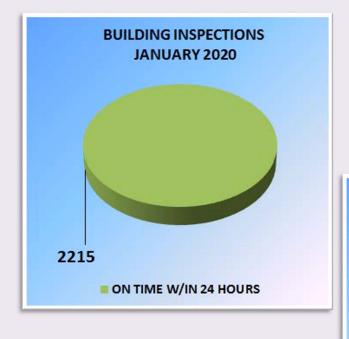
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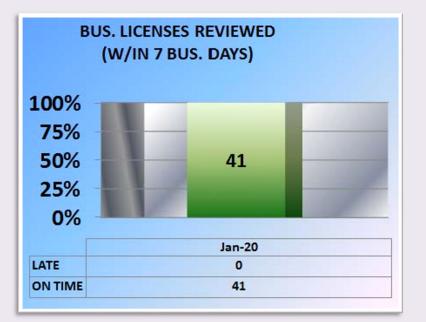


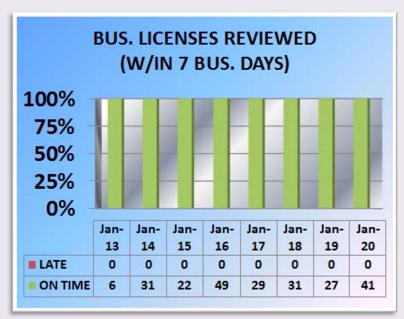


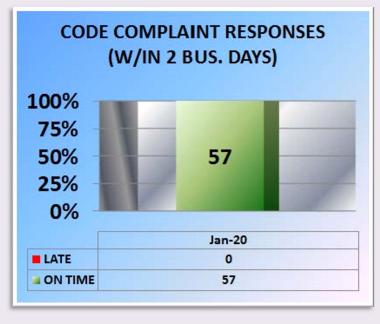


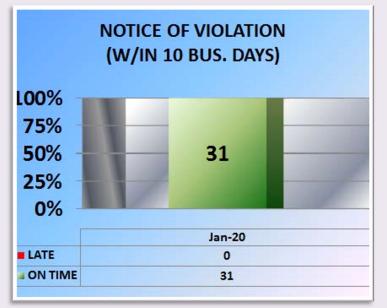


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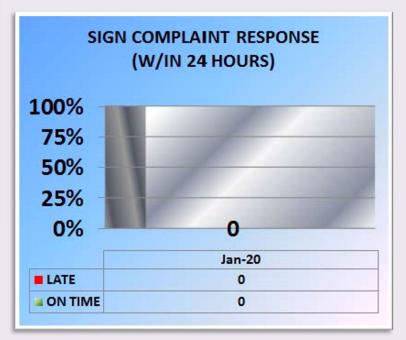










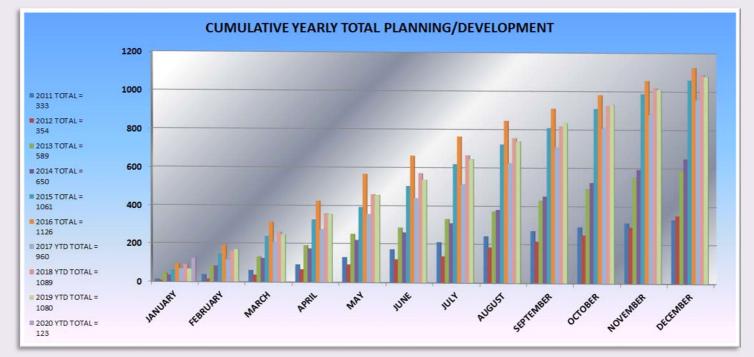




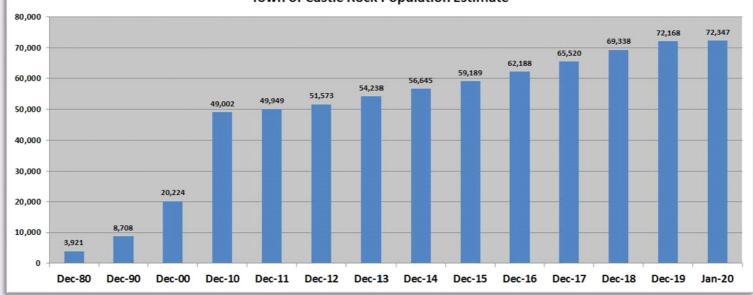
## **DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY**

## Planning Division





# **POPULATION ESTIMATE**



#### **Town of Castle Rock Population Estimate**

