# OCTOBER 2020 | FINANCE DEPARTMENT



Trish Muller, CPA Finance Director

### **Mission**

Through exceptional customer service and effective partnerships, we deliver accurate and timely financial services.

### Vision

The Finance Department will provide financial solutions and services in support of the Town's vision and community objectives through: proactive education, purposeful planning, excellent communication and fiscal accountability.

How does Finance support the Town's vision and priorities?

### **Accounting**

The Accounting Team provides financial services to internal and external customers such as payroll, accounts payable and receivable, investments and capital asset reporting. In addition, the team ensures financial transactions are recorded in accordance with the Town's Municipal Code and Governmental Accounting Standards and in compliance with governing laws and regulations.

### **Budget**

The Budget Team supports departments Townwide with financial planning to attain strategic priorities in the short and long term. In addition to future budgeting and financial planning, the team actively monitors, analyzes and reports on Town financial activity throughout the year.

#### Revenue

The Revenue Team provides education and outstanding customer service to our community while licensing businesses and collecting sales tax with a "home town" feel and understanding. In addition, the team is involved in economic development, the Downtown Development Authority and the Urban Renewal Authority to align with the Town's vision.

### **Contact Finance Department**

### WHAT'S NEW?

### Welcome to Finance, Karlee and Michelle!



This month, Michelle Schrote, CPA, joined the Town as the **Finance Project Analyst**. She will work with the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and year end audit as well as incorporate future Governmental Accounting Standards Board pronouncements that are relevant to the Town. Michelle worked as the Finance Manager in Elbert County and has broad experience in accounting and finance management. She received her bachelor's degree from The Ohio State University. Her pastimes include horseback riding and taking in Colorado sunsets at her small ranch with her husband and daughter.

Karlee Suhanyi also came on board in October in the role of **Financial Analyst** assigned to Town Clerk, Town Attorney, Fire, DolT and other departments for budgeting and planning. She comes to the Town from the Douglas County School District where she worked as a Budget Analyst. A product of DCSD herself, Karlee also graduated from Colorado State University. She enjoys hiking, the great outdoors, and spending time with friends and family.



### TOWN AND STATE WIDE

#### Town Council - October

#### October 20

- Ordinance (First Reading) approved:
  - » Line of Credit with FirstBank on behalf of the Castle Rock Downtown Development Authority (CRDDA)
- Discussion/Direction Five applicants received funding:
  - » 2021 Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program
    - 1. American Legion Post 1187
    - 2. Crisis Center
    - 3. Douglas County Veterans Monument Foundation
    - 4. Help & Hope Center
    - 5. Home Builders Foundation



### ON THE HORIZON

### Town Council through 2020

#### November 17

- Discussion/Direction:
  - » 2019 Metropolitan District Summary

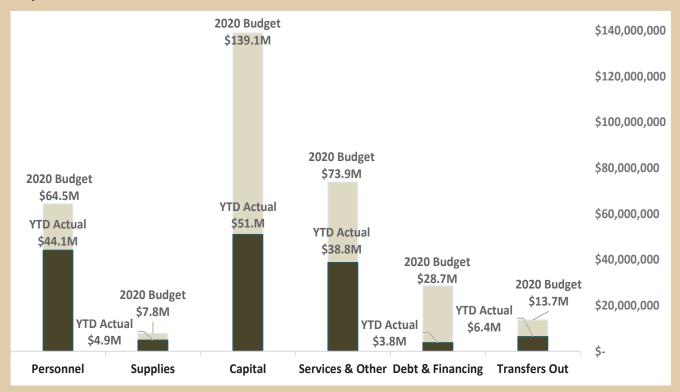
#### December 1

- Ordinances (Second Reading):
  - » TOCR Mill Levy
  - » CRDDA Mill Levy
- Update:
  - » 2020 Third Quarter Financial Review

#### December 15

- Discussion/Direction:
  - Council Community Grant Program - Review of Application(s)

### **Expenditures** Preliminary Townwide expenditures by category September 30, 2020



### PARTNERSHIP

### **Business licenses issued October 2020**

For more information on new Castle Rock businesses, please visit www.CRgov.com/411





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Total businesses licensed in October



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**Businesses licensed in Castle Rock** 



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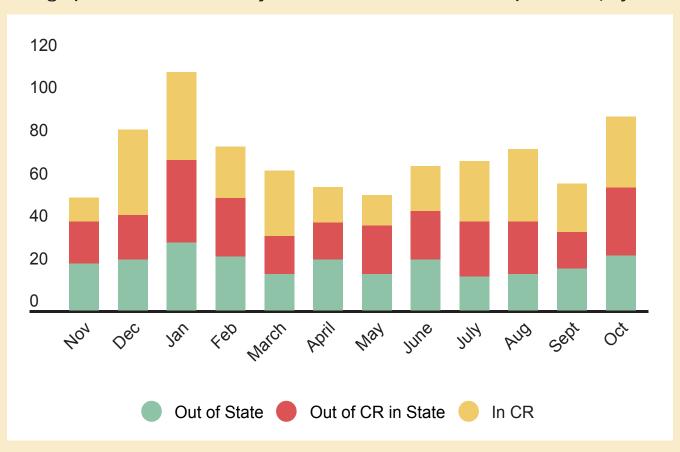
**Businesses licensed out-of-state** 



32

**Businesses licensed in CO but outside of Castle Rock** 

This graph illustrates how many business licenses are issued per month, by area.



## Businesses licensed in Castle Rock, October 2020 - Check them out!

Brittany Robinson Hair Design-Hair products	Good Deeds Vending LLC- Landscaping services	Pal & Co Wedding rentals and gifts
The Cake Company Cake and cupcakes	Highlands at Red Hawk new owner Multi-family housing	Passport Burger Food truck with burgers, sides and drinks
Castle Rock Gold & Silver Coins-Gold and silver coin, jewelry, bullion and antiques	Hope for Health Dental hygiene services and oral health products	Pinnacle View Prep Child care services
Chocoholics Coffee Co Coffee and chocolate confectionery	Knight Counseling Counseling services	Polish Bar Nail technician
Cruise America RV rentals	Knockout Junk new owner-Junk removal	Revamp Auto Custom bedliners
DB Cards LLC Trading cards online only	Lash & Glow Inc. Lash extensions and related products	Rip Saw Creations Crafts, personalized items, corn hole sets, and more
Dream Dinners Castle Rock-Meal assembly and food prep	<b>Liorah Gene LLC</b> Clothing retail	RNK Running & Walking Running shoes and equipment
Eloquent Beings LLC Metaphysical goods	Looks and Lashes by Lex LLC-Esthetician	Rocky Mountain Discount CBD-Medicinals and botanicals
Endodontic Associates Brock Deal, DDS Endodontic services	LUCKY OPCO LLC Clothing and accessories	S & S Camping Camping gear
Family Together Alliance LLC-Respite care	MEC Vintage Posters Vintage posters	SoulSoundImages Freelance web and photography services
FFG Castle Rock LLC new owner Bakery and cafe goods	MR POLLO ASADO Mexican BBQ chicken	Talisman Probiotic Hot Sauce-Fermented hot sauce (cottage food)



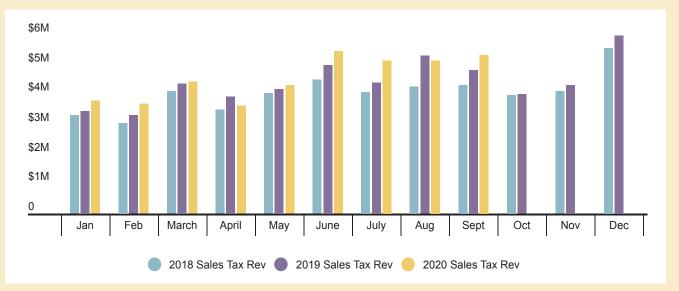








#### Revenue



As sales tax returns are due 20 days after the end of the month, this report shows the prior month's revenue.

### Communicating results

Sales tax collections for September were up 10.4 percent from the previous year's month, or up \$503,475 compared to September 2019. Year-to-date (YTD) is up 5.6 percent. The Outlet mall category was down YTD. Overall, 2020 is showing cautious signs of improvement with the near future still uncertain for sales tax revenues as COVID-19 cases are on the rise. Staff will continue to watch trends through 2020 and inform Council accordingly.

September	Gross Sales Tax Collections		Town Audit Revenue and Amounts Collected on Behalf of Others		Net Collections	
2019	\$	4,823,346	\$	276,321	\$	4,547,025
2020	\$	5,326,821	\$	298,551	\$	5,028,270
Dollar +/-	\$	503,475	\$	22,230	\$	481,245
Percent Change	10.4%		8.0%		10.6%	
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2019 YTD	Tax \$	38,734,471	Amor on Be	evenue and unts Collected chalf of Others 3,149,250	\$	ollections 35,585,221

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### Supporting fiscal accountability



#### \$128,119

Collected from delinquent accounts in September for the month of August.



#### \$748,217

Year-to-date delinquent account collections



Audits in process



#### \$44,462

Audit revenue collected for the month of September