# ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXERCISE OF THE TOWN'S POWERS OF EMINENT DOMAIN TO ACQUIRE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS NECESSARY FOR THE PLUM CREEK PARKWAY WIDENING PHASE 2 PROJECT

SEPTEMBER 7, 2021



### PHASE 2-PLUM CREEK PARKWAY WIDENING PROJECT



# **EMINENT DOMAIN**

- Eminent Domain is authorized under:
  - > U.S. Constitution
  - Colorado Constitution
  - > Town Charter
- Commonly used by CDOT, Douglas County, Town of Castle Rock
- Town is required to engage in good faith negotiations with land owner
- Assures landowner receives just compensation
- Assures capital projects can proceed schedule/budget

### PRIOR PROJECT ACQUISITIONS

Ordinance	Project	Parcels	Owners	Cases Filed
2008-38	Plum Creek Parkway (SWACR)	6	2	0
2013-08	North Meadows Phase 1	54	42	0
2013-24	North Meadows Phase 2/3	88	11	3*
2015-44	WISE Transmission Line	28	11	0
2019-008	Crystal Valley Interchange	32	12	0**
2019-009	Plum Creek Parkway Widening/ Roundabout	12	6	0
2019-026	Ridge Road Widening	9	4	0
	Total	229	88	3

<sup>\*1</sup> case filed at Owner's request.

Note: All ordinances approved unanimously on second reading

<sup>\*\*</sup>Request to file 1 case pending at tonight's meeting

# **POST-ORDINANCE PROCESS**

- 1. Complete appraisal
- 2. Appraisal review by special counsel
- 3. Revise appraisal (as necessary)
- 4. Notice of Intent to Acquire informing Owner of statutory rights
- 5. Owner may elect to obtain own appraisal at Town expense
- 6. Initial offer
- 7. Consultation(s) with Owner
- 8. Consider any counter-offer
- 9. Purchase and Sale contract
- 10. Closing on contract

## **ORDINANCE**

- Finds need for the property acquisition to construct the Project
- Authorizes property acquisition to commence under statute
- Authorizes retention of special counsel
- Directs Town Manager to determine fair value
- Requires Council intervention if impasse with owner
- Council decision when condemnation petition should be filed



# **THANK YOU**

"I MOVE TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE AS INTRODUCED BY TITLE."