

## CITY OF ENGLEWOOD WEEKLY REPORT

# Week of October 28, 2024

#### **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

- Council Calendar
- Council Request Responses
  - <u>CRT 0841</u> (Russell) Traffic calming at Dartmouth Place between University and Vine
  - o CRT 0851 (Ward) Broadway bridge over US 285
  - o CRT 0855 (Wright) Book Club book collection
  - o CRT 0858 (Wright) Regulation enforcement at Sam's Automotive site
- Outstanding Council Requests

### **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

### City Manager's Office

- Set date for and organized an emergency management exercise in collaboration with Arapahoe County scheduled for December 13
- Completed 9 focus groups with staff to collect information on how to improve the city's efficiency and effectiveness; results will be used to provide Council with recommendations regarding updates to the Strategic Plan's governance section.
- Hosted 20+ Board and Commission members for the quarterly City Projects Update Briefing. See attached report provided to all board and commission members. This update occurs monthly with a rotating list of citizen academy alumni groups and our boards and commission members.

### City Clerk's Office

- Board and Commission applications are now open and will remain open through Monday December 9<sup>th</sup>. Interviews are scheduled to take place on January 13<sup>th</sup>. There are numerous <u>openings</u> both for potential reappointments as well as new members.
- An Arapahoe County Voter Service and Polling Center (VSPC) will be open at the Englewood Civic Center 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Community Room beginning Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup> through Election Day on Nov 5<sup>th</sup>. - services offered, hours, and other locations can be found at <a href="https://www.arapahoevotes.com">www.arapahoevotes.com</a>

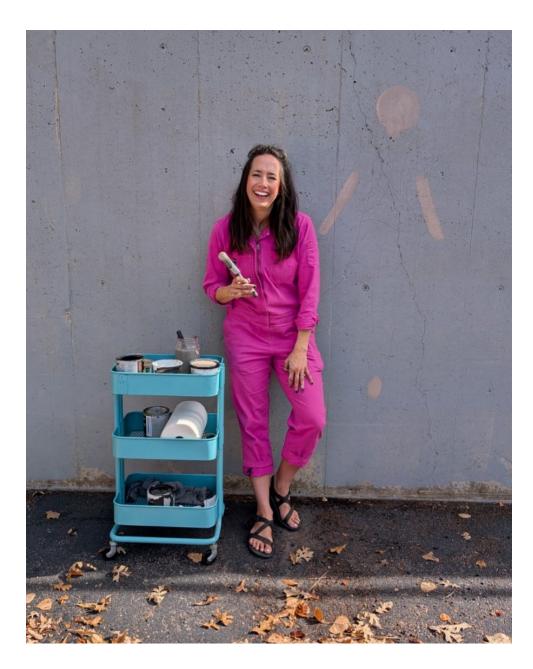
 Passport revenue for the month of October closed out at a total of \$13,635.00 servicing a total of 297 applicants. Appointments for the month of November are still available on the website. Please visit englewoodco.gov/passports to make an appointment.

#### Communications

- o Englewood in the News:
  - Completion of Englewood resource center for the unhoused is delayed
  - Englewood's popular Rotolo Park sledding hill closed until spring
  - NKollectiv Gallery relocating from Art District on Santa Fe to Englewood's south Broadway corridor
- City of Englewood Monthly Email Newsletter 3,872 subscribers
- o COE Social Media Engagement Statistics
  - Facebook
    - Number of Posts: 2014 New Followers
    - Top Post: Traffic Cabinets
  - Instagram
    - Number of Posts: 187 New Followers
    - Top Post: Traffic Cabinets
- o Parks & Recreation Social Media Engagement Statistics
  - Facebook
    - Number of Posts: 83 New Followers
    - Top Post: <u>Bates Logan Park Updates</u>
  - Instagram
    - Number of Posts: 10
    - 2 New Followers
    - Top Post: Trunk or Treat
- Lucia Magnuson presented at the Colorado Municipal Clerk's conference on the topic of Digital Accessibility. Her presentation focused on the legal framework surrounding digital accessibility for local governments, emphasized the importance of accessibility in fostering inclusivity and ensuring that all citizens can engage with their municipalities and walked through the development of the City of Englewood's Digital Accessibility Plan.



 Emily Dykes, the artist for the Uniquely Englewood Malley Mural started this week. Her design features bold colors and intergenerational relationships! We anticipate the mural being completed in early November.



## • Community Development

- Affordable Housing Task Force The next task force meeting will take place on November 7<sup>th</sup>. The goal of the meeting will be refinement of the recommendations of the task force through small group discussions and reporting out on the major areas of focus: Build, Assist and Preserve, Fund.
- 3395 South Broadway There have been several questions about the status of the former Kaufman's Big/Tall store on S. Broadway. The building is currently undergoing a major renovation in order to provide a wider opportunity to attract a new commercial tenant in the future. Economic Development staff are in contact with the building's broker.

# • Parks, Recreation, Library and Golf

o Construction on the play equipment has begun at Bates Logan. 30 yards of concrete will be poured for the footers and base for the play equipment.











- The Basketball Court at Bates Logan is scheduled to be completed the first week of December.
- Parks crews removed several homeless camps throughout the city this week.
- At Broken Tee Starting November 4<sup>th</sup>, the Cart Path Only restriction will begin for the golf season. Any patron requiring a handicap flag will be added to the list with a proper handicap placard or doctor's note. There may be days when this is not allowed due to weather conditions.
- City Employee Offer at the Broken Tee Range: Now during the end of the year, stop by the Pro Shop to get a free-range bucket if you need to take a break or let off a little steam.
- The Broken Tee geese-deterring fake predators have been put in place and will be moved frequently so the geese don't get used to them and think they are predators.



o Broken Tee crews have been working hard on drainage improvements on hole #1. Pictures are the cart path before and drainage improvement after.





 The annual JamBOOree program was held in the library with some very happy and spooky participants! Lots of games, crafts, and fun were had by all!







### • Public Works

South Englewood Flood Reduction Update: This week the closure of the intersection of Stanford and Stanford went into effect. The closure is planned to run through March, depending on weather, productivity, and the possibility of unforeseen conditions. At this location waterline work is underway, necessary prior to digging the receiving pit for the tunnel. The tunnel is progressing smoothly this week after some equipment issues, with total tunneling at over 1,065 feet tunneled to date. Earthwork at Rotolo Park is also progressing. Please see photos below.





### South Platte Renew

 On Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, South Platte Renew (SPR) hosted a tour for representatives from Hazen & Sawyer and the Weber Basin Water Authority, a water utility serving communities north of Salt Lake City. Weber Basin is currently entering the design phase of a construction project that will incorporate technologies similar to those in use at SPR. Participants toured various process areas, allowing for a detailed exchange on the operational aspects and benefits of these technologies.

## Utilities

## o AMI Program Update

 As of October 31<sup>st</sup>, the AMI contractor has exchanged or retrofitted a total of 5,644 meters.

## o Lead Program Update:

 The Lead Reduction Program is scheduled to replace 27 lead or galvanized service lines next week. The majority of these replacements will occur along the 2800 and 2900 blocks of S Lincoln

- St, 2900 block of S Washington St, 3200 block of S Pennsylvania St, and 2900 block of S Grant St
- As a part of the Lead Reduction Program, the program manager continuously updates the Service Line Inventory Map as the material of service lines in the water service area is physically verified. This map is publicly available <a href="here">here</a>.

### Water main breaks

- Utilities Distribution and Collections staff coordinated the repair of two water main breaks this week:
  - Near E Amherst Ave and S Ogden St
  - Along the 1000 block of W Stanford Dr

## **o Billing System Conversion Update:**

 Anticipate full recovery of the utility billing schedule by November, at which time, we also anticipate the issues with the graph and consumption data appearing on the bill to be resolved.