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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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QUINCY FARM UPDATE

On Dec. 8th, City Council approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and the Cherry Hills Land Preserve regarding Quincy Farm. This MOU represents a positive first step in this next phase of the Farm's future.

Under the MOU, the future of Quincy Farm will be organically driven by the Cherry Hills Land Preserve (CHLP). Each year, a Quincy Farm team comprised of CHLP board members and staff and city staff will create an Annual Plan

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for the Farm. This document will be completed by July 31st and will plan for the following calendar year. It will contain four main parts:

- a list of programs and activities proposed for the year
- a budget for operating and capital funds, specifying the amount of funds to be contributed by CHLP towards the Plan
- any requests for funds from the City
- a list of potential grants that could be pursued

CHLP will present the Plan to City Council for consideration and approval each summer, starting next year. In the meantime, the great programming CHLP provided at the Farm in 2021 will start up again in 2022. This is a significant milestone for the future of the Farm, and both City staff and CHLP are ready to form a team and get started!

Questions?

Email quincyfarm@cherryhillsvillage.com, or check cherryhillsvillage.com/gfnews for the latest updates.

RECREATION REIMBURSEMENT REMINDER

Remember to submit your recreation reimbursement receipts for 2021. The deadline for submitting your 2021 recreation receipts is January 17th. **There will be no exceptions to the January 17th deadline** and it is the resident's responsibility to ensure recreation reimbursements are received by the City by the deadline.

Residents can drop off their reimbursement submittals or mail them to City Hall at 2450 East Quincy Avenue Cherry Hills Village, 80113 (please make sure to apply enough postage, submittals that arrive with postage due will not be accepted). If it is after hours, there is a recreation reimbursement drop box near the front entrance of City Hall. Recreation reimbursement forms and receipts can also be faxed to Pamela Broyles at (303) 761-9386 or emailed to pbroyles@cherryhillsvillage.com. Please visit cherryhillsvillage.com for further information about the program or contact Pamela at (303) 783-2744 with any questions.



“Colorado Landscapes” WATERCOLOR EXHIBIT

The Cherry Hills Village Art Commission's “Colorado Landscapes” watercolor exhibit is available to view at City Hall and will hang until the end of May. The exhibit contains paintings from both professional and amateur artists, all with a “Colorado Landscape” related theme. Stop by City Hall to view the exhibit before it comes down. City Hall office hours are Monday-Friday from 8:00-4:30. Most paintings are still available for purchase!

THE CREW SERIES RELOCATION



The Crew series pieces were donated to the City by artist Emmett Culligan in 2015. The Crew series consists of fabricated steel and individually cut blocks of stone which are carefully fit together using the time honored techniques of the stone mason. Collectively, these blocks interact to create a greater formal unity and make reference to the modern era by conjuring up space age images of capsules and rocket tops. Here the past is linked to the future as the work calls to mind the ingenuity and persistence of mankind through the ages. The City also owns Rubric by Emmett Culligan, located on the Quincy Avenue side of the Joint Public Safety Facility.

The Crew series pieces were originally placed in the median on Holly Street just north of Bellevue Avenue, then moved in 2016 to the Denver Water Park on the southwest corner of Holly Street and Quincy Avenue where they are today. The Cherry Hills Village Art Commission (CHVAC) has been discussing a better, permanent home for the Crew series pieces since 2018. Due to upcoming construction in the Denver Water park, CHVAC is proposing relocation of the pieces to the southeast corner of Quincy Avenue and University Boulevard (see map above).

City Council will consider the Crew series relocation at their January 18th meeting.



Cherry Hills Village Police Department HIRES NEW POLICE OFFICER



Officer
Damian
Kissler
was born in
Littleton,
Colorado.
After
graduating
from

Columbine High School, Damian went to school to obtain his Associates of Arts Degree at Arapahoe Community College. In 2007 he began working for Clear Creek County Sheriff's Office. He was employed there from 2007 to 2021. While working for Clear Creek County Sheriff's Office he worked for the Detention Department and assisted with County Courts. Damian put himself through the Arapahoe College POST academy in 2014. He is happily married with four great kids. In his free-time he loves going boating and hanging out with friends and family. He is excited to start his new career working for the Cherry Hills Village Police Department.

babysitter's list...

The Crier offers the following list as an informational service only. The Crier does NOT review babysitter qualifications. Residents must screen babysitters themselves.

- * Indicates pet and plant care
- ** Indicates the babysitter can drive
- *** Indicates housesitting
- + Indicates Red Cross babysitting certified
- ▲ Mentor in Education

Arianna Alami+* 917-334-9673
Sophia Antonopoulos* 720-296-8091
Ellie Bauer 303-808-5185
Bridget Brown+ 303-765-4470
Emerson Damiano+* ** 303-918-8402
Chelsea Davidson 303-520-9727
Anjali Devagupta ** 303-639-6110
Jessica Diamond 303-692-9475

Isabella Diamond 303-692-9475	Rachel Markenson+* 303-917-3727
Kristin Douglass 303-762-0080	Emily Matthews* 303-781-6777
Kate Duymelinck+* 720-539-9529	Will Matthews* 303-781-6777
Lizzie Elliott+* ** 720-550-3777	Aydan Metsch+* 720-483-0527
Liana Fagelson+* 303-829-0662	Samantha Morrow+* 720-646-1684
Sibel Fite* 720-568-0880	Katie Mullen 303-803-8150
Jayne Fraser+* 720-556-2240	Claire Murphy* 307-351-9172
Lauren Garofalo+* ** 303-885-7174	Emma Murphy+* 307-359-5380
Abby Goodrum+* 303-475-0979	Molly Murphy+* 307-359-2404
Emma Goodrum+* 303-475-09792	Eleanor Nielsen+* 720-884-7727
Isabel Gutrich+* 303-909-2086	Eden Odendahl+* 303-513-1703
Presley Harding+* ** 720-984-9600	(mentor in education)
Caroline Hashimoto+* 303-321-6155	Lexi Pavlakis 303-761-6183
Nicole Honnen* 303-819-4841	Elizabeth Schwartz 303-886-7431
Tylor Hopkins* 720-300-4625	Sander Sveen* 303-761-7757
Alexa Huguez+* 720-244-4034	Caitlin Vickers+* 303-756-3266
Lauren Huttner+* 303-759-2054	Margaret Vogelpohl+* 303-320-0546
Morgan Jones+* 303-910-9422	Sloane Wehrman+* ** 303-870-6269
Emily Markenson+* 303-917-6138	Davis Woodruff+* 720-448-9330
Rachel Markenson+* 303-917-3727	Emory Woodruff+* 303-717-1904
Emily Markenson+* 303-917-6138	(mentor in education)

Kingsley Woodruff 720-326-7429
(pet allergies)
Gabriella Zane* 781-513-6451
Caden Zimmerman 303-733-9199

Please help us by updating your son, daughter or neighbor's information if the sitter listed is no longer available or has moved. You can send the updated information to Jessica Sager at jsager@cherryhillsvillage.com. A special "thank you" to those of you who have already contacted The Crier with updates.

In an effort to protect the privacy of our babysitters, the Crier will only print names and phone numbers in the listing going forward. We apologize for any inconvenience this causes.

ON THE TRAIL

By Parks, Trails, and Recreation Commissioner Fred Wolfe

We are fortunate to live in a community like Cherry Hills Village that places a high value on recreational trails, dedicated open space, and beautiful parks. This column about our trails will appear monthly in the Village Crier. Many trail-related issues will be explored including signage, maintenance, and trail use. There are many different types of trail users in Cherry Hills Village including walkers, runners, bicyclists, e-bikers, equestrians, skiers, snowshoers, and wheelchair users. The pandemic has also caused more residents to get outside and use our trails.

There are three general types of trails in Cherry Hills Village:

- **PAVED TRAILS**

(i.e., Quincy Avenue, Colorado Blvd., and Holly Street)

- **OFF-STREET BRIDLE/WALKING DIRT TRAILS**

(i.e., Village Trail, Woodie Hollow Park Trail, etc.)

- **HIGH LINE CANAL TRAIL**

(3.75 miles)

A new system of trail signage has been approved by the City Council. For many years, our bridle trails have been marked with a four-digit number sign that apparently corresponds to a map grid system. No one knows what these numbers represent. In 2019, the Village Trail was created by combining many existing trails into a 5.85-mile loop that wanders through the center of the Village. This off-street trail takes about two hours to walk. The signposts for the Village Trail also contain mileage and walking times to the Village Center, Quincy Farm, the High Line Canal, and our parks. In November 2021, new signs and signposts for the Woodie Hollow Trail were also installed. Six additional named trails will receive new signs in 2022.

SAVE THE DATE

Master Plan Update OPEN HOUSE

On behalf of the Planning and Zoning Commission, City staff and the project consultant (RICK Engineering), will host the second open house for the City's Master Plan update. The exact day and time have not yet been determined, but it will occur sometime in late February 2022. Once a final date and time is determined that information will be published in the Crier and also via the City's different platforms. Subjects at this open house will likely include options for different topics covered in the Plan and some information related to visioning.

The Master Plan is a critical document that the City uses to help make decisions about a variety of things. From funding capital improvement projects to making decisions on land use applications, the Master Plan is the City's guide. Per Colorado state law, every jurisdiction is required to have a Master Plan (sometimes called a Comprehensive Plan). The Master Plan is a long-range policy document that generally looks at time horizons of 20 to 30 years. It is standard practice for communities to update their Master Plan every five to ten years. The first Master Plan in the City of Cherry Hills Village was adopted in 1970 and was updated in 1993. The current Master Plan was adopted in 2008.

For more information on the Master Plan you can contact Paul Workman, Senior Planner at pworkman@cherryhillsvillage.com or 303-783-2729.

MAYOR'S REPORT

This month a report on why the Village is now reviewing the Master Plan and a recent judicial decision that answers questions about how term limits apply to municipal office holders.



Village Master Plan Legal Framework
The Village Master Plan is an advisory document the Village uses to guide land development decisions. The Master Plan creates no enforceable legal rights, but it is a touchstone for Council when writing and deliberating land use resolutions and ordinances.

Section 8.3 of the Village Charter created a Planning and Zoning Commission which is tasked with, among other things, the duty to prepare and submit to City Council a Master Plan for the physical development of the Village.

Section 2-6-10(1) of the Municipal Code requires the Commission to review the Master Plan every ten years and then submit to City Council findings, recommendations, and amendments (if any) which Council may adopt, modify, or reject. That review is now underway, with a questionnaire that was sent to all households, a kick-off meeting held at City Hall, and additional public meetings planned in 2022.

The Master Plan must show the general location of streets, roads, rights-of-way, bridges, waterfronts, transportation plans, public facilities, schools, historical buildings, playgrounds, parks, open spaces, trails, and wildlife areas. The Master Plan must also show, among other things, the location and extent of public utilities for water, sanitation, communication, power and other purposes and propose projected needs for capital facilities and utilities, including priorities, anticipated costs, and funding proposals for such facilities and utilities. Finally, the Master Plan must include water conservation policies.

After the Master Plan is adopted by the Commission and approved by City

Council, § 31-23-209, C.R.S. provides that no park, square, street, or other public, ground or open space, public building or structure, may be constructed or authorized until the location, character and extent thereof has been approved by majority vote of Commissioners. If

the Commission disapprove of the submission, Council may overrule the disapproval only with the votes of at least four council members.

New Guidance on Municipal Term Limits

In 1994 Colorado voters amended the Colorado Constitution to provide for state, county, and city officials. Article XVIII section 11 of the Colorado Constitution now provides:

(1) In order to broaden the opportunities for public service and to assure that elected officials of governments are responsive to the citizens of those governments, no nonjudicial elected official of any . . . city . . . shall serve more than two consecutive terms in office, except that with respect to terms of office which are two years or shorter in duration, no such elected official shall serve more than three consecutive terms in office. . . . For purposes of this Section 11, terms are considered consecutive unless they are at least four years apart.

How this provision applies to several specific situations has been unresolved. For example, in cities where council members are elected from districts and at-large, can a person serve two terms in a district and then run for an at-large position? Can a council member term-limited in one district move to another district and stand for election? Or can a council member serve two terms and then run for election as mayor of the same elected body? This last question was recently placed squarely before a district judge in Adams County.

Jan Kulmann was elected to Thornton City Council in 2013, served four years and was reelected in 2017. In 2019, while still serving her second term on

council, Kulmann was elected mayor, a four-year term expiring in 2023.

Thornton citizen Cherish Salazar sued Mayor Kulmann contending that “office” in Section 11 is not limited to an individual position but extends to the entire governing body. Interpreting the term “office” as applying to the entire body would mean that after serving as a city council member for two consecutive terms, in any capacity, Ms. Kulmann would be precluded for 4 years from serving on city council, as mayor or council person.

Mayor Kulmann countered the term “office” as used in Section 11 is more naturally read to mean a specific individual office and not the entire governing body. Under that interpretation, Section 11 would allow Mayor Kulmann to serve as council member for two terms, serve as mayor for two terms, then serve again as council member for two terms, without interruption.

On October 29, 2021, Adams County Judge Teri Vasquez issued an order in *Salazar v. Kulmann* granting Ms. Salazar’s motion for summary judgment. Judge Vasquez reasoned that intent of the Constitutional provision as expressed in its plain language, as expressed in the 1994 Blue Book voter’s guide, and as expressed in a Colorado Attorney General Formal Opinion, all pointed one direction. Judge Vasquez held that “the mayor’s seat and council seats are part of one elected body and constitute the same office for purposes of terms limits under Article XVIII, Section 11.”

If applied to Cherry Hills Village, the *Salazar v. Kulmann* holding likely means that council members elected and serving two terms must wait four years before seeking election as mayor, which is a departure from past practice and convention. The district court Salazar opinion may not be the last word. The City of Thornton is likely to file an appeal and seek appellate review that could definitively resolve the question state-wide.

MAYOR MONDAYS. I have resumed regular drop-in office hours on Mondays from 9 to 11 a.m. at City Hall. I’m also available by appointment other days and times. You can reach me to schedule a meeting at rstewart@cherryhillsvillage.com or 303-607-3688.

Russell

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The Village Crier advertisements will be provided for a fee to both Village residents and advertisers outside the Village. Ads should be limited to 45 words and may be purchased for the entire year. **Publication of the ad in The Village Crier does not imply endorsement.** The Village Crier reserves the right to reject ads. To inquire about placing an ad call (303) 783-2730 or email jsager@cherryhillsvillage.com.

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Recreational fires which constitutes outdoor fire burning materials, other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, portable outdoor fireplace, barbecue grill or barbecue pit are allowed but must be a minimum of 25' away from all combustible materials and structures, including houses, decks, fences, sheds, utility poles, etc. Recreational fires must be attended by an adult (18 years old, minimum) who has access to a telephone to notify the fire department if a problem develops. The attendance shall be constant and shall continue until the fire is completely extinguished.

The goal for South Metro Fire Rescue is to allow the use of recreational fires while ensuring the safety of the homeowner, neighbors and firefighters. Recreational fires may not be utilized during the times listed to the right:

South Metro Fire Rescue (SMFR) will conduct a site inspection, free of charge, to any resident in the district. The purpose of the inspection is to ensure safety as well as awareness and compliance with all regulations. SMFR will not conduct a site inspection for portable outdoor fireplaces. Portable outdoor fireplaces may not be utilized during the times listed to the right.

For any questions regarding appropriate use of recreational fires, please contact South Metro Fire District at 720-258-8911.

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AN EMERGENCY,
PLEASE CALL 911.**

When there is a "Red Flag Warning" issued by the National Weather Service: <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/bou/>

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During periods of sustained or gusty winds that make the activity unsafe

When the Fire Weather Outlook for the day is "Elevated, Critical or Extreme": http://www.spc.noaa.gov/products/fire_wx/fwdy1.html

From all of us at the Cherry Hills Land Preserve,
We're wishing you and yours a very...

Happy New Year!

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CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE POLICE COMMANDER **RECOGNIZED FOR 40 YEARS OF SERVICE**



Photo Above: Police Chief Michelle Tovrea and Commander Patrick Weathers.

At the City Council meeting on December 8th, Police Chief Michelle Tovrea presented Commander Patrick Weathers with an award for his 40 years of outstanding service for the City of Cherry Hills Village. Commander Weathers joined the Cherry Hills Village Police Department as a Police Officer on December 16, 1981. He is the longest serving employee the City has had. Over the course of his career he has served in many capacities from Officer, Motor Officer, Detective, Sergeant and finally Commander. The expectations of the Cherry Hills Village Police Department are Service, Procedural Justice and Accountability and the City was honored to recognize Commander Weathers on behalf of the residents of the City and the Police Department for the assistance he has provided in pursuit of those principals.

After thanking Chief Tovrea and City Council, Commander Weathers noted that it has been a rewarding experience to work in the City of Cherry Hills Village. Weathers stated initially when he was hired, he thought he would stay for about five years to gain some experience and move on to a larger Police Department. Soon after he started, he realized how fortunate he was to work for the City because the residents and City Council are extremely supportive and the Community is a great place to work. Weathers commented that he has been extremely fortunate to work with a high caliber Police Department and that he and Chief Tovrea have been able to watch it grow into a professional, well respected police organization.