

Land Conservation and Stewardship Board Work Plan For 2016

1. Review proposed land and water conservation transactions, including fee acquisitions, sales, conservation easements, and right of way easements and make recommendations to Council as necessary.
2. Periodically review plans for local, regional, and community separator land conservation and provide input on prioritization of land conservation efforts. Provide this input to City Council and Planning staff as appropriate.
3. Review and comment on long range land conservation strategies and priorities.
4. Review various legislative and policy proposals that have a relationship to the Natural Areas Department and make recommendations to Council as necessary.
5. Receive updates and provide input on wildlife management, including prairie dog management.
6. Review and comment on Natural Area management issues, programs, and plans as needed.
7. Review and comment on Nature in the City related initiatives as the Natural Areas Department takes over the responsibility of leading this effort working closely with staff from Planning and in collaboration with staff from Parks, Forestry, Environmental Services, and Stormwater.
8. Periodically organize and hold meetings with the Larimer County Open Lands Board, and the Loveland's Open Lands Board to discuss regional conservation planning and funding.
9. Provide one LCSB member to serve on the Bicycle Advisory Committee, who reports back to and seeks input from the LCSB, currently Ed Reifsnnyder.
10. Attend staff sponsored field trips when needed to better understand field management issues or land conservation opportunities in order to stay knowledgeable and able to make informed recommendations.
11. Receive a report on the Natural Areas small grant program applicants and recipients.
12. Review and provide input on Poudre River initiatives.
13. Encourage and welcome public input.
14. Encourage presentations from experts in fields related to land conservation and stewardship.
15. Support and provide input to Larimer County and Natural Area staff on the 20 Year Celebration of the HPOS Sales Tax in 2016.

16. Hold a Board retreat to discuss how the board can be more strategic, provide vision, be more engaged, and have fun doing it.
17. Review all Natural Areas and Parks new trail placement and provide input regarding avoidance or minimization of impacts to critical wildlife habitat.
18. Review and provide input on Natural Areas Restoration Master Plan and site restoration plans and invite Stormwater to present its stream restoration projects for input.
19. Review and provide comments on all City Capital Projects that impact Natural Areas.
20. Invite staff from Police, Stormwater, Parks and Parks Planning to meet with the Board to discuss topics that impact Natural Areas..