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WORK SESSION

October 27, 2009

1. Call Meeting to Order.
2. North I-25 Environmental Impact Statement Update. (staff: Kathleen Bracke, Scott Weeks; Carol Parr, CDOT; 45 minute discussion)

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) is conducting the North I-25 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Interstate 25 corridor from Northern Colorado to the Denver Metropolitan area. CDOT is continuing to gather input from communities and citizens within the project area. CDOT's project team has developed a draft preferred alternative for long-range transportation improvements – both highway and transit - to link Northern Colorado to the Denver Metropolitan area. CDOT is also working on various phasing plan options for long-term implementation of the preferred alternative improvements based on future funding projections. The purpose of this work session is to share this most recent information regarding CDOT's North I-25 EIS process, to request additional input and feedback from Council regarding the proposed preferred alternative, and to discuss the various phasing plan options for these long-term transportation improvements.

3. Occupancy Ordinance Two-Year Review and Policy Discussion. (staff: Beth Sowder, Peter Barnes; 1 hour discussion)

In 2005, City Council amended the Occupancy Ordinance which prohibits more than three unrelated persons from inhabiting a single dwelling unit. At that time, Council indicated that they wanted to review the ordinance after two years of enforcement. Since enforcement of the revised ordinance began in 2007, this two-year review includes 2007-2008. The August 25, 2009 Council work session reviewed the "Economic and Market Impact Study" conducted by Corona Research which concluded that violator households have decreased significantly, neighborhood conditions have improved, rental vacancies and prices have been impacted by factors other than the occupancy ordinance, and stakeholders have some concerns about enforcement. Council also provided staff with direction regarding additional information desired for the occupancy ordinance two-year review and policy discussion.

4. Historic Preservation System Improvement Project. (staff: Steve Dush, Joe Frank; Nore Winter, consultant with Winter & Company; 1 hour discussion)

Last spring, City staff initiated a study to review the policies, regulations and processes and make recommendations for improvement of the City's historic preservation programs and statutory language as they relate to development review. A variety of different viewpoints were sought for this study, including current customers of the historic preservation program, boards and commissions, City Council, and City staff. Following input from Council at its October 27 Work Session, the staff and the consultants will finalize a report for presentation to the public and the Landmark Preservation Commission review on November 18, 2009. City staff will then proceed to implement the study's recommendation over time and as resources permit.

5. Other Business.

6. Adjournment.