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## City Council Work Session April 12, 2016 6:00 PM

- **CALL TO ORDER.**

1. College and Prospect Intersection Design Concepts. (staff: Rick Richter, Laurie Kadrach; 10 minute staff presentation; 30 minute discussion)

The purpose of this item is to seek Council input regarding the proposed intersection improvements at College and Prospect. Right-of-way acquisition is required from six commercial and two residential adjacent properties. The six commercial properties were brought to Council on April 5 for eminent domain authorization, if necessary, and discussions are on-going with the two residential properties.

The Prospect Road and College Avenue Intersection Improvements Project is a collaborative project between the City of Fort Collins and Colorado State University (CSU). As a part of the construction of the Medical Center, CSU is required to make frontage and operational improvements generally located in the northwest quadrant of the intersection. The City has identified additional improvements intended to improve long-standing congestion and safety problems in the area. The project proposes road and intersection improvements, multimodal enhancements, utility improvements, and access control improvements. This project is intended to address existing congestion and safety problems at the intersection and improve connectivity for bicycles and pedestrians.

The project team has been meeting with affected property owners and exploring the full range of design options over the last several months, with an emphasis on context sensitive design approaches that balance the operational and safety needs of the intersection with property impacts. Through this design process, the City has identified two primary design options that satisfy the goals of the project while balancing property impacts. City staff is seeking Council input on the proposed design options.

2. Neighborhood Connections. (staff: Josh Weinberg, Delynn Coldiron, Laurie Kadrich; 15 minute staff presentation; 45 minute discussion)

The purpose of the Neighborhood Connections project is to develop and implement a best practice neighborhood engagement program in Fort Collins. This program is intended to enhance the quality of life for residents through increased connection, communication, collaboration, and co-creation with the City. The program is intended to build unity within neighborhoods, cultivate leadership capacity throughout the community, provide systems of support, and ensure individuals have a voice and the ability to influence what happens in their neighborhoods and surrounding areas. Through this program, Fort Collins residents will gain an enhanced way to engage with the City and have opportunity to participate in creating and maintaining a healthy, vibrant, and dynamic community.

After researching best practices and conducting public outreach, staff is ready to initiate a prototype program this summer for six to ten months, get further feedback, and adjust for optimal impact. The proposed model is a semi-formal structure balancing multiple factors, including: intensity of effort required by the City and each neighborhood to run the program, and the number and size of participating neighborhoods. As the prototype program is rolled out, increased resources may be required to achieve the level of neighborhood livability envisioned by Council.

3. Waste Optimization and Materials Management. (staff: Honore Depew, Jackie Kozak-Thiel, Lucinda Smith, Jason Graham; 15 minute staff presentation; 30 minute discussion)

The purpose of this item is to provide Council with an update and seek feedback regarding the Advanced Waste Stream Optimization initiative, including Sustainable Materials Management research, waste-to-energy exploration, organics diversion, and regional collaboration.

- **OTHER BUSINESS.**
  
- **ADJOURNMENT.**