



**CITY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THIRD FLOOR, CITY HALL,
#1 CITY HALL PLACE, PUEBLO, COLORADO 81003.**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2023
5:30 PM**

Individuals Requiring Special Accommodations Should Notify the City's ADA Coordinator at (719) 553-2295 by Noon on the Friday Preceding the Meeting.

Executive Committee meetings are special meetings of the City Council and are informal Council meetings for the purpose of receiving information and discussion among Council Members; no official action is taken at such meetings. The public is invited to attend, but public comment is generally not received unless otherwise noted.

Agenda

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENTATIONS

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| A. CITY UPDATES
Laura Solano, Chief of Staff
5 minute presentation | 5:30 p.m. |
| B. SPECIAL RECOGNITION - KRISTEN CASTOR DAY
Heather Graham, President
5 minute presentation | 5:35 p.m. |
| C. ADA ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE
Sharon Campbell - Co-Chair
Kristen Castor - Retired Secretary
15 minute presentation | 5:40 p.m. |
| D. ARPA - UNITED WAY
Shanna Farmer - President/CEO
10 minute presentation | 6:05 p.m. |
| E. LOCAL IMPACT OF WINE SALES IN STORES STATE BALLOT MEASURE
Ryan Seybold - Big Bear Wine & Liquor
Brian Lucas - Big Bear Wine & Liquor
15 minute presentation | 6:25 p.m. |
| F. GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE UPDATE
Mike Ricottone - Golf Course Enterprise Advisory Committee Chair
Dave Lewis - Walking Stick Golf Course Manager | 6:50 p.m. |

Randy Bregar - Elmwood Golf Course Manager
15 minute presentation

G. PUEBLO MUNICIPAL CODE 15-1-12 - USAGE OF MEDIAN

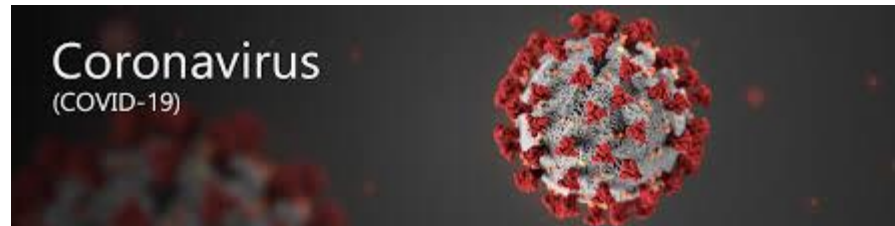
7:15 p.m.

Chris Noeller, Chief of Police
Andrew Hayes, Public Works Director
15 minute presentation

ADJOURNMENT

Americans with Disabilities Advisory Committee Annual Report

The COVID Years: 1/19 – 12/22



Background



- Established 2004 under Ordinance #10097
- Required by DOJ under Settlement Agreement
- Membership authorized is up to 15 citizens with disabilities in City limits or subject matter experts, disability advocates
- Appointed by Mayor: 4-year terms renewable
- <http://www.pueblo.us/153/ADA-Advisory-Committee> has the Settlement Agreement, Bylaws, meeting schedule and agendas and minutes
- Have a continuing outreach plan. Please encourage your constituents to apply or attend. And come yourself!
- Need to effectively represent this population with members with a wide range of experiences.
- Zoom options available.



Goal #1: Continue monitoring access to city facilities and services.

- Receiving ongoing updates from department heads about projects that need our input
- Review curb ramp requests from different sources.
- Significant progress in the business areas.
- Staying in touch with other disability rights groups that report a device that rates sidewalks, which are more difficult to rate because they involve cross slopes.



Accessibility resources the city has developed

1. Ask the Public Works Department for a curb ramp. Most paid for by the CDBG, but the City must still install them in areas not covered by CDBG funds when requested. Sidewalk repairs may need to be included because without a path of travel to the destination curb ramps are useless.
2. City Council has chosen to use \$400,000 in CDBG funding annually for curb ramps. The ADA Committee has established priorities for using this funding:
 - a. Individual citizen requests;
 - b. Bus stops;
 - c. Major thoroughfares or paths of travel
3. Organized neighborhood groups also submit requests.

Additional City Resources and Solutions

4. Public Works has grant funding from the American Rescue Plan to make all bus stops accessible.
5. Curb ramps are repaired or installed when street re-surfacing or repair occurs. This is accelerating with the street repair program.
6. Bike lanes do provide a technically safe path of travel for people with wheelchairs, but sidewalks are preferred.



Outstanding Issues

1. The condition of our sidewalks and how we are going to make them all accessible is the only outstanding item from the Settlement Agreement to be resolved. We don't anticipate that ever being completed in our lifetimes, but there is a plan in place and there is progress.
2. Our Volunteer Handicapped Parking Patrol was suspended during COVID and has not been re-implemented. We would like to see it start up again when it is feasible for the Pueblo Police Department to do so.



Goal #2: Monitor Access to County Facilities and Services

- The county is not included in the Settlement Agreement and so is not *required* to participate. We have always encouraged them to do so. The last time we met was to assess the Wells Fargo Building for access. There has been no substantial participation in our regular meetings. Again, Zoom options are available.
- The County Courthouse is not fully accessible. There was a time when the Handicapped Office in the basement of the county courthouse was intended to be a liaison between people with disabilities and any county services available in the building. The County Clerk closed it down and to the best of our knowledge it remains closed. This is a significant access issue that may result in litigation should a member of the public denied access choose to file a lawsuit. We strongly encourage the new County Clerk to reopen this option.



Goal # 3: Strengthen Public Transit Options

- A staff member from Pueblo Transit attends all our meetings. We have also met with the director of Citi Lift. Ridership was drastically affected by COVID, yet the system kept running. Finding drivers was difficult as they are exposed to the public all day; it remains so. We applaud the decision to electrify the bus system. This may cut costs. If so, we ask that the city re-invest any savings back into the system.
- We have feedback from members who use Bustang that it is much preferred to Greyhound. Word is that the lifts, the equipment most likely to fail, are well maintained and operators know how to use them. This is in large part because SRDA manages the lines that come through Pueblo.



Goal #4: Emergency Preparedness

- This goal we met in an entirely different way than we had envisioned. Charles Bradley from the Sheriff's Office and other representatives from the Health Department and the Red Cross have come to our meetings and have included some of our members to participate in table top exercises. This was not continued during COVID and we hope that the new Operations Manager will continue this practice.



Goal #5: Promote Awareness of the Americans with Disabilities Act

- We have worked with the Pueblo City and County Library District to put on a symposium about the ADA but were unable to in the COVID years. We were able to give substantial input into the renovation plans for the Rawlings branch. We hope to resume our symposium.
- We reviewed the access at the new Pueblo Community Health Center clinic on the east side. Their team had spoken with us extensively before construction. We hold this up as an example of the gold standard: access was seamless.



Goal # 6: Publicity and Outreach

- We have had several opportunities for this. There was newspaper coverage of our review of the PCHC clinic. There was a call put out for new membership through the Mayor's office that was also published in the paper. This got us several most welcome new members.
- We have also addressed, if not necessarily solved, access issues when citizens bring them to our Committee.



Challenges



- More funding for transit. The concept of a Regional Transportation Authority is somewhat more likely with new funding for transit and so many of our potholes getting filled. The driving public will probably not support transit until the quality of the streets has improved significantly. Public Works is addressing the worst areas methodically and we hope this will lead to better transit too.
- “Service dog” abuse. We see this daily. Everyone has learned to identify their pet animals as service dogs. Businesses are afraid to be sued and appear to have stopped enforcing no pet rules for dogs brought into their stores.
- Zoom captioning. We have adapted quickly to Zoom as a tool and would like to see more City involvement. We do need to caption Zoom, however.
- Disability Symposium. We would like to work with the Library on another one.



Looking to the Future

- There is so much more we need to do to improve the quality of life in Pueblo but it depends on your willingness to allow us to represent our community in accordance with our Bylaws, which go beyond our statutory responsibilities. We look forward to another exciting and productive year.



PUEBLO GOLF COURSE ENTERPRISE

City Council Work Session

Monday, January 30, 2023

Presented by:

Mike Ricottone, Chairman – Golf Course Enterprise

Citizen's Advisory Committee

Dave Lewis, Walking Stick Course Manager

Randy Bregar, Elmwood Course Manager

WHO WE ARE:

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mike Ricottone, Chair
Jerry Thomas, Vice Chair
Joe Latino
Karen Conry
Tony Montoya

GOLF COURSE MANAGEMENT

Dave Lewis — Walking Stick Golf Course
Randall Bregar — Elmwood Golf Course



MARKETING

Target Groups

- Attract golfers from neighboring communities and along the front range
- Junior golfers
- Corporate sponsors for course improvements

KOAA TV

- Television and digital ads created late 2018 to target Southern Colorado & South Denver Region golfers to take advantage of Pueblo's year-round golf weather
- New ads being created to include restaurants
- Additional views on Weather Channel

Websites and Social Media





JUNIOR GOLF

**Summer Junior
Lessons/Clinics
443 participants**



**Junior Rounds
3,385**



**First Tee Program
3 Camps – 21 participants**

ROUNDS

	2019	2020	2021	2022	4-YEAR AVE
ELMWOOD	57,186	62,049	63,370	61,178	<i>60,946</i>
WALKING STICK	24,991	30,884	32,172	30,104	<i>29,538</i>
TOTALS	82,177	92,933	95,542	91,282	<i>90,484</i>

2022 IMPROVEMENTS

Walking Stick Golf Course

- Parking lot lights upgraded to LED

Walking Stick Golf Course Restaurant

- A.J. Langoni retires after 10 years
- Name changes to “The Stick”
- New grill purchased to improve speed of service

Elmwood Golf Course

- New cart paths on holes #1, #3, #4, and #9
- New cart path from practice green area to #1 tee box

The Clubhouse Restaurant at Elmwood

- Restaurant remodeled in 2021
- Menu changes coming in 2023

UP-COMING **CAPITAL PROJECTS**

Walking Stick Golf Course

- On-Course Restroom Facility Upgrades (\$50,000 - 2023)
- Parking Lot Entrance Landscaping (\$25,000 - 2023)
- Course Pond Clean up (\$TBD - 2023)
- Thunderwolves Golf Training Facility (TBD – 2023 or 2024)
 - *Funded through the CSU-P Foundation*
 - *Benefits CSU-P and Pueblo Golf!*
 - *\$1,000,000 estimated cost*

Elmwood Golf Course

- Emergency Repair:
 - *Bessemer Ditch to Zoo Drain Replacement (\$80,000) – 2023)*
- Irrigation Pump Replacement (\$80,000)
- Cart Path Replacement (\$100,000)
- Executive Course Restroom Construction (\$150,000)

Equipment/Cart Lease (2024 – 2028)

- Golf Course Enterprise
- Maintenance Equipment Estimated
 - Mowers and utility vehicles
 - *Estimate \$1,477,480*
 - *Last lease/purchase \$408,557*
- Golf Carts
 - 142 new golf carts
 - 2 driving range pickers
 - 2 beverage carts
 - *Estimate \$600,000*
 - *Last lease/purchase \$460,626*

GOLF RATES

- **Cost of doing business continues to increase:**
 - Fuel
 - Labor
 - Equipment Maintenance
 - Equipment Leases
 - Building Maintenance
 - Fertilizer and Seed
- **Golf Course Enterprise Operational Expenses have increased approximately 18% over past five years**
- **Resolution 13846:**
 - January 1, 2018, City Council approved incrementally increasing green fees at both courses through 2020
 - Cart rental fees and driving range fee increase in 2018

- **Cost of Golf Course Enterprise, over the past two years, has been successful in achieving projected revenue, even through the COVID-19 pandemic**
- **Additional revenue has allowed the Enterprise to begin addressing many Capital Improvement needs**
- **Late 2022, the Golf Course Managers presented a proposed golf rate fee increase to the Golf Course Enterprise Advisory Committee which, if approved, would extend over a three-year period to go into effect March 1, 2023**
- **Enhance our customer's golf experience**

YEAR ONE (2023)	
Elmwood	\$78,375
Walking Stick	\$88,763
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>\$167,138</i>

YEAR TWO (2024)	
Elmwood	\$63,785
Walking Stick	\$65,415
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>\$129,200</i>

YEAR THREE (2025)	
Elmwood	\$55,510
Walking Stick	\$81,415
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>\$136,925</i>

3-YEAR TOTAL: \$433,263

QUESTIONS??

Pueblo Municipal Code 15-1-12 - Usage of Median

Andrew Hayes – Public Works Director
Chris Noeller – Chief of Police



15-1-12 – Usage of Medians

Adopted 12-14-2020

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to access, use, occupy, congregate, or assemble on or about any median that has been posted with a sign pursuant to this section prohibiting such access, use, or occupancy.
- (b) Determination and signage:
 - (1) The Traffic Engineer may prohibit pedestrian access to or use of occupancy of any median that is not designed or suitable for pedestrian use, by erecting and posting a sign on such median prohibiting such access, use, or occupancy.
 - (2) Signage must be reasonably posted to provide notice, but is not required to be visible from every position on the median.

15-1-12 – Usage of Medians (Cont.)

(c) Definitions. For purposes of this section:

- (1) “Median that is not designed or suitable for pedestrian use” shall mean any median that is located on any higher speed and higher volume roadway within the City, and that does not possess a flat area of at least four (4) feet in width the length of the median from one median-endpoint to the opposite median-endpoint. The width is measured from face-of-curb to face-of-curb if a raised median, or edge-of-asphalt to edge-of-asphalt if a depressed median.
- (2) “Flat” shall mean having a cross slope of eight (8) percent or less, consistently from one median-endpoint to the opposite median-endpoint. Such surfaces must be uniform, and will not include surfaces of loose river stones, cobblestones, or other substances that make tripping or injury more likely.
- (3) “Higher speed roadway” shall mean a roadway with a speed limit of thirty-five (35) miles per hour or greater.
- (4) “Higher volume roadway” shall mean a roadway classified as a Freeway, Expressway, Principal Arterial, or Minor Arterial on the Pueblo Roadway Development Plan.
- (5) “Median” shall mean the area between two roadways of a divided street or highway, measured from the edge of the traveled way to the edge of the traveled way, including areas between traffic lanes for control of vehicular movements. Such an area may be physically defined by curbing, landscaping, or other physical obstacle to vehicle use of the area, or by traffic control markings (also known as a painted median).

15-1-12 – Use of Median (Cont.)

(d) Affirmative Defenses. It is an affirmative defense to a violation of this section if a person:

- (1) Is waiting to cross the roadway at the next pedestrian signal, or in the absence of a pedestrian signal, when traffic has cleared or yielded.
- (2) Obtained a permit or license from the City to access the median, including a special use permit for use of the street.
- (3) Was authorized by the City or State to access the median for maintenance, repair, or building purposes.
- (4) Was a local, state or federal officer engaged in the performance of their duties.

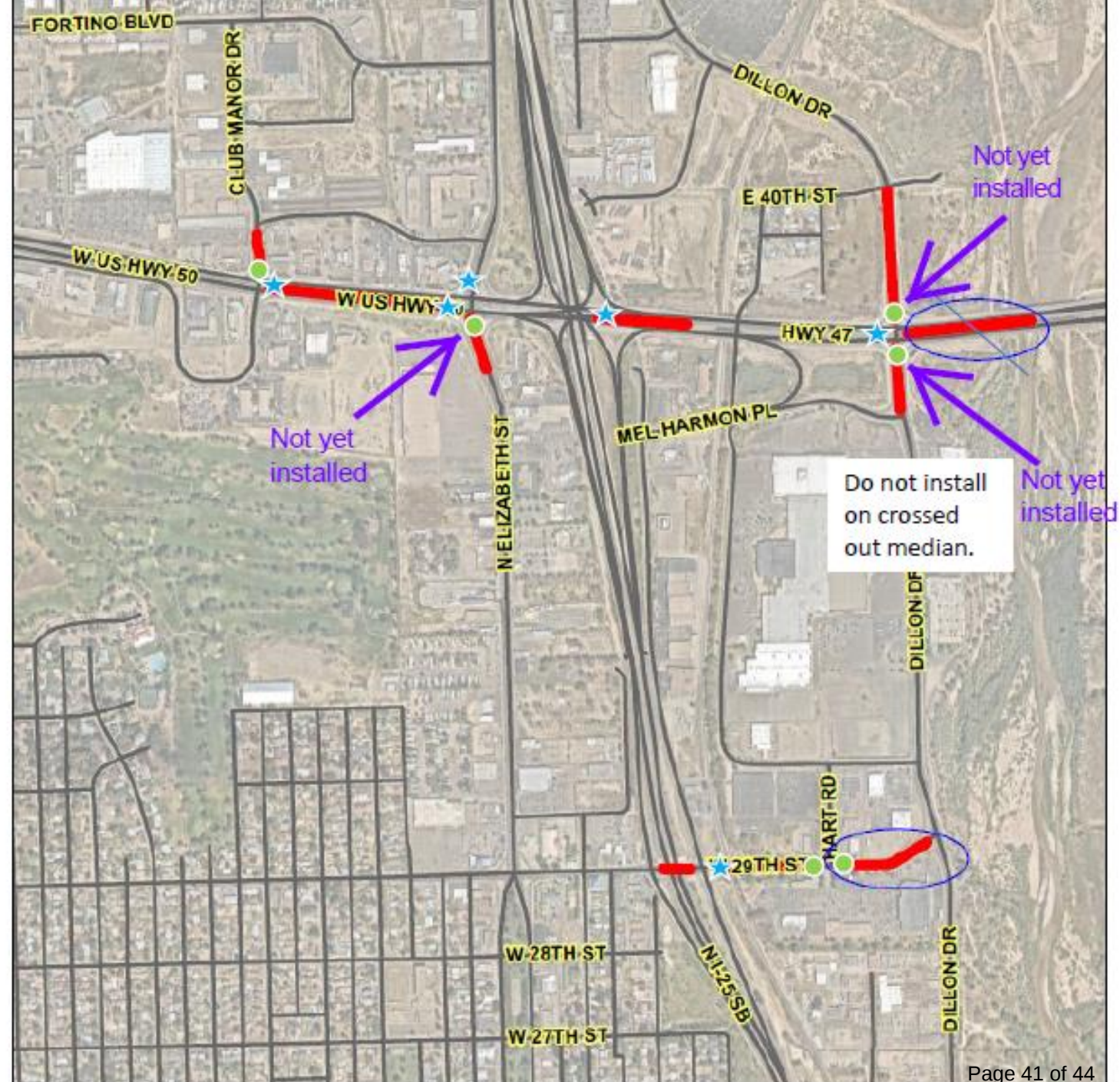
15-1-12 – Use of Medians (Cont.)

(e) A violation of this section is strict liability in nature. No Culpability or mens rea of any type or degree shall be required for a violation of this section.

(f) It shall be unlawful and a Class 2 municipal offense for any person to access, use, occupy, congregate, or assemble on or about any median that has been posted with a sign pursuant to this Section. However, a first offense under this Section will only be liable for a maximum fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00). Subsequent fines and penalties for violations under this Section will be at the discretion of the Court.

12 Northside Locations

- Highway 50 West
 - Highway 50 West and Club Manor
 - Highway 50 West and Elizabeth
- Club Manor
 - South Bound Club Manor @ Hwy 50 West
- Elizabeth St
 - Southbound Elizabeth @ Hwy 50
 - Northbound Elizabeth @ Hwy 50 (not installed)
- Highway 47 (Cesar Chavez)
 - Westbound Hwy 47 @ I-25
 - Eastbound Hwy 47 @ Dillon
- Dillon Drive
 - Northbound Dillon @ Hwy 47 (not installed)
 - Southbound Dillon @ Hwy 47 (not installed)
- 29th Street
 - Westbound 29th @ I-25 Frontage Rd
 - Eastbound 29th @ Hart Road (not installed)
 - Westbound 29th @ Hart Road (not Installed)



3 Southside Locations

- Northern Avenue
 - Eastbound Northern Avenue @ Prairie Avenue
 - Northeast bound Northern Avenue @ Hollywood Drive
 - Southwest bound Northern Avenue @ Vinewood Lane



Enforcement

Location	Citations Written
Hwy 50 & Elizabeth Group	21
Club Manor & Hwy 50 West Group	2
Cesar Chavez (Hwy 47) & Dillon Group	11
29 th Street Group	0
Northern Avenue and Prairie Group	0
Northern Avenue & Vineland/Hollywood Group	0
Total	34

Dice Team 2022 Stats

Citizen Contacts	1,618
Citations	265
Warrant Arrests	215
PR Bonds Issued	80
Calls for Service	52
COP Calls	44
Trespass Notices Issued	146
Recovered Stolen Handguns	1
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	8
Recovered Stolen Merchandise - Value	\$20,576
Methamphetamine Seized	3.38gm
Fentanyl Seized	2.18gm