

## July 9 INC Meeting Features Strategic Transportation Plan

Denver Public Works, who will give a presentation on the City's Strategic Transportation Plan. Around the City and the usual INC business will also be conducted.

## Denver Public Library Hosts Community Meetings

Library can better serve Denver citizens. All meetings begin at 7 p.m. and are free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, please call 720-865-2009. The meeting dates and locations are:

### Monday, July 11

The Denver Central Library  
B2 Conference Center  
10 W. 14th Ave. Pkwy.

### Tuesday, July 12

Ford-Warren Branch Library  
2825 High St. at E. 28th Ave.

The July 9, 2005 INC Delegates' Meeting will take place at the Heritage Club, 2020 South Monroe Street (see map on back page). The featured speaker will be Bob Kochevar of

The Denver Public Library is hosting a number of Community Conversations throughout the Denver area during July. The purpose is to explore ways in which the

### Wednesday, July 13

Bear Valley Branch Library  
5171 W. Dartmouth Ave. at  
South Sheridan Blvd.

### Thursday, July 14

Ross-University Hills Branch  
Library  
4310 E. Amherst Ave. at  
South Birch St.

### Monday, July 18

Ross-Cherry Creek Branch  
Library  
305 Milwaukee St. at  
E. 3rd Ave.

### Tuesday, July 19

Montbello Branch Library  
12955 Albrook Dr.

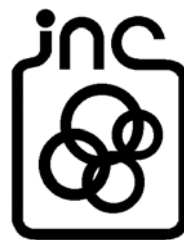
### Thursday, July 21

Woodbury Branch Library  
3265 Federal Blvd. at 33rd Ave.

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## INC Member Neighborhoods (Patrons in Bold)

The names below reflect those associations from which 2005 INC dues have been received as of press time. Organizations whose dues were received after that time will be listed in future issues.

Alamo Placita NA  
Athmar Park NA  
Baker Historic NA  
**Ballpark NA**  
Belcaro Park HOA  
Bellevue-Hale Association  
Berkeley NA  
Bonnie Brae NA

Bow Mar Heights Improvement Assoc.  
Broadway Partnership / MDLDC  
**Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods**  
Cherry Creek East Assoc.  
Cherry Creek North NA  
Cherry Point HOA  
City Park West NA  
Civic Association of Clayton  
Colfax Business Improvement District  
Colfax on the Hill, Inc.  
College View NA  
Congress Park Neighbors Inc  
Cook Park NA  
**Cory-Merrill NA**  
**Country Club Historic Neighborhood**  
**Crestmoor Park HOA (2nd Filing)**  
Crestmoor Park HOA Filing 1  
Denargo Market Neighbors Coalition  
**Downtown Denver Residents Org.**  
East Montclair NA  
Far Northeast Neighbors, Inc  
George Washington HOA  
Globeville United Neighbors Group  
Godsman Community NO  
**Golden Triangle Arts District**  
Golden Triangle Association  
**Greater Park Hill Community Inc.**  
Hampden Heights CA  
Hampden South NA  
Harkness Heights NA  
Harman NA  
Hilltop NA  
Hilltop Heritage Association LLC  
Hutchinson Hills/Willow Point HOA  
Inspiration Point NA  
Ivy Street NA  
Leetsdale COP Shop  
Lowry Neighbors  
Lynwood 7 & 8 NA  
Mayfair Neighbors, Inc.  
Mayfair Park NA  
Montbello United Neighbors, Inc.  
Old South Pearl Street Association  
Platt Park People's Association

Sloan NA  
Sloans Lake Citizens Group  
South City Park NA  
South Gaylord NA  
South Hilltop NA  
South Jackson Street NO  
Southern Hills CA  
**Southmoor Park East HOA**  
**Stapleton United Neighbors**  
Stokes Place Green Bowers HOA  
Summerfield at Indian Creek  
Sun Valley CA  
**Sunny Side United Neighbors, Inc.**  
The Unsinkables  
University Hills NA  
**University Park Community Council**  
University Park Neighbors  
**Upper Downtown Development Org.**  
**Virginia Vale CA**  
Virginia Village/Ellis CA  
**Washington Park East NA**  
**West Highland NA**  
West University CA  
**West Washington Park NA**  
Whittier NA  
Wyman Historic District NA

### Associates

Carter M. Ballinger M.D.  
Broadway Cop Shop  
Councilwoman Carol Boigon  
**Councilman Rick Garcia**  
**Councilwoman Marcia Johnson**  
**Councilwomen Peggy Lehmann**  
**Councilman Doug Linkhart**  
**Councilwoman Jeanne Robb**  
Councilwoman Elbra Wedgeworth  
Denver Auditor Dennis Gallagher  
**Denver Health**  
**Denver Water**  
FRESC (Front Range Economic Strategy Center)  
Bonna Gayhart  
**Gertrude Grant**  
Historic Denver Inc  
LoDo District, Inc.  
Morrison Road Business Association  
Neighborhood Resource Center  
Pamela E. Schenkein



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INC Delegates' Meetings are held on  
the second Saturday of each month at  
8:45 a.m.

The INC Board meets on the second  
Monday of each month at 6 p.m. on the  
top floor of 1201 Williams Street,  
Denver, CO. All members are  
welcome.

The INC web page can be found at  
[www.neighborhoodlink.com/denver/inc](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/denver/inc)

## **Minutes of June 11, 2005 INC Delegates' Meeting**

***By Diana Helper  
INC Secretary***

Delegates were welcomed to the June 11 INC Delegates' meeting by City Councilwoman Peggy Lehmann, who spoke about District 4 (where the meeting was held). She pointed out that this is a comparatively new part of Denver, and the traditional description of "neighborhood character" of older parts of Denver does not always apply. It is important to remember area differences when one is considering what aspects are best to preserve to maintain the community's character.

Two positions are open on the Planning Board. Delegates are giving thought to the selection of active neighborhood candidates for these slots. If you have suggestions, please contact Elizabeth Hamilton or any of the INC Board listed on the back page of this publication.

Harriet Hogue, who has attended INC meetings regularly in her capacity as Parks Department liaison, announced that she is retiring and this was her last official meeting on behalf of Parks and Recreation. Although happy that she is heading into some free time, we expressed our sincere regret INC is losing her help and faithful presence. She thanked INC for sticking with issues and making sure we are heard, reminding us to "put it in writing and keep at it."

Joan Harms, Archives Director for the Denver Public Library's (DPL) Western History Department, spoke about why and how and what to donate. INC's archives are now housed at the DPL and those of a number of RNOs also are kept there. DPL has five certified archivists who do a masterful job with the collections. It is important to keep one's collective memories for the future - - records of families, City events, buildings, achievements, and concerns. Items on paper which can be transferred to microfilm are most enduring. Scotch tape, metal paper-clips, and stick-tight materials are to be avoided. Please contact Joan Harms at 720-865-1810 or jharms@denver.lib.

co.us for information.

Charlotte Pitt introduced the City's new No Sort Recycling program. Residents will get a postcard in the mail with program details, which include many more recyclable items. Call 720-865-6805, or go on line at [www.denvergov.org/DenverRecycles](http://www.denvergov.org/DenverRecycles) for more information.

INC Chairman Elizabeth Hamilton adjourned the meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

## ***Minutes of INC Board Meeting of June 13, 2005***

***By Diana Helper  
INC Secretary***

The INC Board met June 13, 2005. Present were Elizabeth Hamilton, Dave Webster, Diane Wolta, Diana Helper, Anthony Thomas, Karen Cuthbertson, Ken Beaudrie, Michael Henry, and Cathee Fisher. The minutes of the May 9 meeting were approved. The Treasurer's report was approved. Because of the rain, and the location of the INC beer booth at the People's Fair, income from that event is expected to be less than last year.

The July 9 Delegates' Meeting will be at The Heritage Club, 2020 S. Monroe St. in University Park. The program will include information from the Denver Infrastructure Task Force and efforts are being made to engage a speaker on the Strategic Transportation Plan. The August 13 meeting to label Dollar Dictionaries will include a time for INC committee meetings.

### **Meeting Coordinator Needed**

A coordinator for INC monthly meeting sites is needed. Future topics may include the City budget, bond issues, and the work of the INC subcommittee on zoning compliance.

### **Mayor Banks on Tamara**

The Board's meeting with Mayor Hickenlooper on May 24 was discussed. The naming of Tamara Banks

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## Around the City from

### June 11, 2005 INC Meeting

**Ball Park Neighborhood Assn.** - Drug dealing at Broadway and Park Avenue is a major concern.

**Baker Historic NA** – The Mayan Theater's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary went well. Dedication of Baker Blooms, a garden planting by the neighborhood, is June 18.

**Civic Assn. of Clayton** - Will hold a child's coat drive for kids 6-13 years old. Please bring coats to the next two INC meetings and they will be picked up after the meeting. The Clayton Remembers Neighborhood Picnic will be August 27 at City of Nairobi Park, located between 35<sup>th</sup> and 36<sup>th</sup> on Cook Street in Denver. Those interested in having a booth/table at this function please call Frank Workman at 303-399-3514.

**College View NA** – Is monitoring zoning and Board of Adjustment cases, graffiti, cruising on South Federal Boulevard, concerns about increasing crime in apartment buildings on South Federal and West Evans Avenue. The neighborhood is trying to increase awareness and involvement of neighbors in CVNA.

**Congress Park NA** – Is focusing on redevelopment issues, zoning, Board of Adjustment cases, increasing neighborhood participation in its meetings, and continuing attention to crime issues.

**Cook Park** – Will hold its yearly garage sale June 25 combined with Virginia Village-Ellis and Cook Park Recreation Association. The Leetsdale Cop Shop needs volunteers!

**East Montclair NA** – Its fifth annual yard sale proceeds were \$480, of which 10% will be donated to the Ashley Elementary School library.

**Golden Triangle** - Two new condo developments are under discussion. The association is working to be sure the Justice Center is designed according to plan and alternatives to incarceration proceed.

**Hampden Heights Civic Assn.** - A number of houses in Hampden Heights flooded June 3 during a severe rain storm. Flooding has been an ongoing issue here. HHCA thanks Councilwoman Lehmann and the City Engineer for their prompt response and continuing effort to resolve this issue, and thanks Channel 9 for its extended coverage.

**Hampden South NA** - The developer of the Tiffany Center offered an informative public meeting. Its opening date is September 7. Interior and exterior work is progressing. The City inspected overgrown property at two vacant houses (South Quebec and South Mercer Place) and will take care of the yard work. The cost will be back charged to the owners. Legal procedure is in progress for the mentioned violations. The neighborhood received a personal appointment and immediate help from Councilwoman Peggy Lehmann and her office in these cases, and in its request for the removal of manhole rings on Mansfield Avenue which were a hazard for pedestrians.

**Mayfair** - Printed material regarding the problem of methamphetamine production and use, and a copy of the National Institute of Health (NIH) office of Drug Addiction will be made available by Carter Ballinger, 303-321-4952.

**Southmoor Park East** – Its neighborhood garage sale was held June 11.

**University Park** - Events include its Annual 4th of July Parade at Observatory Park and free stargazing at the Observatory on July 16. Residents are working to perpetuate the integrity of this "stable neighborhood" (Blueprint Denver designation) where

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many changes are occurring in both residential and business areas.

**Virginia Village-Ellis** - Reminder! Have all your neighbors voice their concerns on issues to your City Councilperson and both at-large Council members, and the Mayor.

**West Highlands** - Its Neighborhood Festival will be held June 18.

**West Washington Park** - Is working with Baker Historic NA and CHUN, WWPNA and negotiated an agreement with the owners of the Mayan Theater tying to its new tavern license conditions that prohibit transfer of the license to a new owner and restrict hours of operation. Copies are available from wwpna.org.

**Denver Solid Waste Management** - June 15 launches the new, expanded Denver Recycles program which adds corrugated cardboard, paperboard, junk mail, office paper, magazines and catalogs, phonebooks and brown paper bags-- items may be mixed. Call 720-865-6805 or visit [denvergov.org/DenverRecycles](http://denvergov.org/DenverRecycles). Remember to report graffiti - 720-865-STOP.



**Parks and Recreation** - Outdoor pools are open June 4 to August 14, only \$1.00 for kids and \$2.00 for adults. Swim classes are available. Please remind kids to be safe and look before crossing park roads to pools and playgrounds. Please contact Harriet Hogue at 720-913-0694 with any questions and issues.

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## Minutes of May 21, 2005 INC Zoning & Planning Committee

By Diana Helper  
Committee Member

The INC Zoning and Planning Committee meeting of May 21, 2005 began with a discussion of telecommunication towers. A task force, which includes INC Chairman Elizabeth Hamilton, Nicole Hernandez of Historic Denver, the Mayor's liaison to City Council Happy Haynes, Tyler Gibbs of the Planning Office, City Attorney Kerry Buckey and others, is working on an ordinance that will allow for more towers while protecting neighborhoods from blight. Lynea Hansen from T-Mobile stated that it needs 30 more towers now and 30 more in the next 5-10 years. Towers can be shared by telecommunication companies, but such towers must then be larger in circumference. Antennae are preferred to towers. Fifty feet is generally the desired height.



Process: the company goes to the councilperson of the appropriate district, then is advised to go to the Registered Neighborhood Organizations (RNOs) affected. A sign is to be posted at the site, the RNO notified, the proposal goes to Board of Adjustment (BOA), and a sign is posted with the decision. Electronic notification to RNOs was requested as well.

The topic of "Administrative Exceptions" was addressed briefly, and will be considered more fully at the June 25 ZAP meeting. This regards the BOA's proposal to move many variance appeals directly to the Zoning Administrator for decision. Those decisions may be appealed to the BOA. Notification to RNOs is important. ZAP members have concern about adding this work to the Zoning Administrator's heavy load unless the Community

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# Minutes of INC Board Meeting

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as the Mayor's liaison to neighborhoods is appreciated. The Board believes it is important to meet with the Mayor at least twice a year. Also discussed was the INC website being updated by Al Habercorn, the meeting times of the Zoning Task Force and the Citizens' Zoning Advisory group, and special recognition for Harriet Hogue (Parks Department) to be arranged by Ken Beaudrie and Dave Webster. The Board agreed that, at the request of Carolyn Etter, her informational e-mail regarding the proposed sale of liquor in certain Denver parks will be sent by Karen Cuthbertson to recipients on the INC e-mail list.

Nominations/application to fill the two vacancies on the Planning Board are due tomorrow (June 14).

Diane Wolta moved and the Board voted unanimously that a procedure be in place for member organizations to bring neighborhood issues to the INC Board.

1. Request that the issue be placed on the Board meeting agenda.
2. Introduce the issue to the Board.
3. If the issue is agreed to be a substantive concern, assign it to an INC committee for attention.
4. Report to the delegates at the monthly meeting, during the Committee Reports portion, which should be placed early in the meeting, before the speaker.

Carter Ballinger presented the issue of methamphetamine problems, which are far-reaching. Christopher Urbine of Denver Health wants to work with Registered Neighborhood Organizations (RNOs) and neighbors, especially working to educate children. The Police Department has a program on this topic. The Board agreed that this subject is important and could be part of an INC program later this year.

Cathee Fisher reported that the Dollar Dictionary Drive needs \$6,000-7,000.

The Board was asked if the regular every-two-weeks communication from Denver Public Schools to RNOs is enough? Those on the Board who receive these updates said that they appear to be primarily public relations pieces and usually are not distributed beyond the RNO President.

E-mails requesting INC to send its approval on certain applications for zoning variances are sometimes received by the INC Zoning chairman. These applicants want their projects (i.e. overheight fences) to proceed quickly, but generally are advised that INC defers to the appropriate surrounding neighborhoods.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Planning and Development (CPD) staff and budget is increased rather than diminished, as is the present situation.

Kent Olson reported on the progress of the ZAP subcommittee for zoning improvement plans, which include issues regarding construction, setbacks, porches, and open space. The final draft of this work will be submitted to ZAP, then the INC Board, then delegates, before going on to the City.

Bill Johnston and Charles Howard told of the ongoing work of the Drive-Through Restaurant Task Force, which addresses adjacency, access, safety, pollution (sound, light, emissions) and notification to RNOs. Many regulations already deal with these issues, but more focus on restaurant drive-throughs is needed.

The subject of "Alcohol in the Parks" was brought up. Policies, conditions, and a list of parks to be affected appear to be unclear at this time. The "After Hours" proposal for bars to remain open until 4:00 a.m. has been rejected by the Downtown Denver Residents' Organization. There will be further meetings.

Other topics included a need for INC notification when a new RNO is registered, a report from the "McMad" rezoning on East Colfax, and information about Historic Denver (HD) plaques for older houses that have been restored -- please contact Nicole Hernandez at HD: (303) 534-5288.



## Letter from INC Public Safety Committee

*The following letter was sent to members of City Council and the Mayor's office on June 23, 2005:*

Members of the Public Works & Public Safety Committees:

The INC Public Safety Committee has been meeting to analyze the top 5 safety concerns voiced to us by numerous Denver registered neighborhood organizations. Near the top of the list is traffic safety.

We've followed the consideration of photored installations at intersections around Denver with interest. In reviewing the minutes from your March 9, 2005 meeting, we noted that Division Chief Klee listed the intersections with the most accidents resulting from red light infractions. However, the INC Public Safety Committee looked at the top 6 accident-prone intersections in Denver for the five year period between 2000 to 2004 (listed below). We saw that none of these intersections correspond to those mentioned by Chief Klee.

While we recognize that the number of accidents is likely due to vehicles entering traffic, rather than to running red lights, the high number of broadside accidents at these intersections below seems likely due to drivers making turns who continue through the intersection after the turn arrow has turned red. This is as much a red light infraction as those at the intersections cited by Chief Klee.

We would urge your committees to propose that these intersections with the highest traffic accidents be the initial sites for installation of photored.

This would assist the City in:

- 1) catching drivers who run red lights/red turn lights.
- 2) reducing the high accident rates at those intersections, as drivers become enlightened to the consequence of their illegal behavior.
- 3) savings in lives, as well as costs to the City for emergency response.

### Rank (total crashes)

Location	Count	Broad-side	Head-on	Rear-end	Sideswipe
6th Av & Lincoln St	195	91	0	20	66
Colfax & Speer Blvd	155	66	3	40	27
Colfax & Colo. Blvd	151	44	7	60	15
Alameda & Federal	145	21	3	76	23
Hampden & Sheridan	144	32	4	90	3
Leetsdale & Monaco	139	26	9	64	14

NOTE: The above intersections are surface street intersections. Intersections such as I-70 & Peoria and I-70 & Federal, while ranked with these top 6 surface street intersections, were not included, as they are not appropriate locations for photored installation.

The stats were provided by:  
David J. Weaver, PE, MURP, PTOE  
Engineering Supervisor  
Traffic Engineering Services

Mr. Weaver added this comment: "With roughly 25,000 crashes in the City per year, even a reduction of a few percent would have a staggering economic and emotional benefit."

Thank you for your consideration. We would appreciate continuing to receive copies of your discussions regarding photored.

Sincerely,

Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation  
Public Safety Committee

Lisa Dobson  
Karen Cuthbertson  
Diane Wolta  
Steve Nissen  
Joe Ely  
Mike King

## Next Meeting

**Saturday  
July 9  
2005**

**Heritage Club  
2020 S. Monroe St.  
(see map below)**

### AGENDA

**8:45**

Coffee and Chat

**9:15**

Around the City

**10:00**

Bob Kochevar  
Strategic Transportation  
Plan

**11:00**

Committee Reports

**Noon**

Adjourn

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### Map to July 9 INC Meeting Heritage Club - 2020 S. Monroe St.

