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***"The quality of life in your community is
incumbent upon your performance at the ballot box."***

Denver Decides will conduct forums for the two (2) ballot initiatives and four (4) seats on the Denver Public School Board. Forums will be telecast live on Denver 8TV as scheduled below.

Ballot Initiatives:

Green Roofs Initiative

\$937 Million Bond Package (voters will cast seven (7) yes or no votes for the bond package items. They are as follows.)

1. \$431 million for transportation and mobility projects, including road and bridge repairs and repaving, new bike lanes and pedestrian projects.
2. \$151.6 million for parks and recreational projects.
3. \$116.9 million for cultural facility projects, including at the Denver Zoo, the Denver Botanic Gardens, the Denver Museum of Nature & Science and the Denver Art Museum.
4. \$77 million for public-safety related projects, including for police and fire Stations.
5. \$75 million to cover about half of the cost of the Denver Health and Hospital Authority's planned outpatient Ambulatory Care Center.
6. \$69.3 million for library renovations, including at several branches across the city.
7. \$16.5 million for public facilities.

School Board seats and candidates:

District 2 (SW Denver) -- Angela Cobian and Sochi Xochitl Gaytan

District 3 (East Denver) -- Mike Johnson and Carrie Arlene Olson

District 4 (NE Denver) -- Aountai (Tay) Anderson, Jennifer Bacon and Rachelle Espiritu

At Large -- Julie Banuelos, Barbara O'Brien and Robert Speth

Forum Schedule:

Tuesday October 10, 7pm – Candidates Cobian and Gayton

" " " 8pm – Candidates Anderson, Bacon and Espiritu

Thursday October 12, 7pm – Candidates Johnson and Olson

" " " 8pm – At-Large Candidates Banuelos, O'Brien and Speth

Thursday October 17, 7pm – Ballot Issues

Denver Decides is seeking questions from all of you for the ballot initiatives and for the DPS Board Seats. Email questions to: karentaylorphd@gmail.com

"Denver Decides" is sponsored by Denver 8TV, Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation and The League of Women Voters of Denver.

Mark Your Calendars-INC

Oct 14, 2017 INC Delegates Meeting Agenda:

8:30 am—Coffee, Juice and Breakfast

9:00 am — Welcome and Introductions

—Olga Garcia, Community Relations Manager, Denver Health; Robin D. Wittenstein, Ed.D., FACHE, Chief Executive Officer, Denver Health

9:30 am—INC Committee Reports

(Parks and Recreation, ZAP, Transportation)

10:00 am — Park Hill Golf Course Sale and Expected Future —City presentation of their plan and Q & A

10:30 am — Presentation and some analysis of the GO Bond Ballot Initiatives

11:00 am — Green Roof Ballot Initiative

Presentation and time for Q & A

Tuesday October 17

INC Park and Rec Committee Meeting @ Brookside

Oct 17 @ 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Saturday October 28

INC ZAP Committee @ Cheesman Tower 19th Floor

Oct 28 @ 9:30 am—11:30 am

ZAP AGENDA::

9:30 – 10:00 Presentation by Nathan Batchelder, Excise and Licenses, on status of registration and permitting of short-term rentals under the ordinance that ZAP helped develop.

10:30 – 11:00 Presentation by Michael Chavez, Director Denver Public Art Program, to describe the program and how the public is involved.

TIME TO NOMINATE YOUR CANDIDATE FOR INC'S 2018 ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD AWARDS

The date for the annual dinner is January 31 and it will be held at the Doubletree Hotel again in 2018. INC will follow the tradition of honoring those who make Denver neighborhoods a better place to be.

As always, we urge you to be thinking of deserving people to be nominated for the various awards we make. We'll provide live links to each award by November 1.

AWARDS

PERSON OF THE YEAR (Virginia Oredson Award):

The Virginia Oredson Award is given to a person who:

- Has encouraged Denver neighborhoods or citizens to work together in a common effort to solve community problems.
- Has established a record of selfless community service and has encouraged and motivated others to volunteer their services to engage in community improvement.

PUBLIC SAFETY (Bill Gross Award): The Bill Gross Award is given to a person who:

- Has a strong record of working with neighborhoods to better public safety in the community.
- Has made Denver a safer place in which to live.

OUTSTANDING INC DELEGATE (Walt Kembel Award):

The Walt Kembel Award is given to a person or group who:

- Is an INC delegate or a member of a member RNO.
- Has contributed to INC during the past year over and above normal expectations to develop and promote the organization, or has moved INC forward or in new directions in creative or unexpected ways.

Neighborhood Stars: Neighborhood Stars are nominated for that award by the Board of an INC member RNO.

A Neighborhood Star is awarded to a person who has:

- A person who has made a difference in their Neighborhood.

Worked individually or with a group to make "Denver a Better Place to Live".

- Worked individually or with a group over the past year on a cause or a project that has improved the appearance or the quality of life in their neighborhood.

***How to automatically
know when INC posts
new articles to our
website
(www.denverinc.org)?***

Website

E-mail

At the bottom of all website posted articles, you will see a *Leave a Reply* comments area with requirements for a name and email (though your email address will not appear in the reply). Under that are checkbox options you can choose to notify you about follow-up responses to your reply AND/OR notify you of new article posts by email.

SEPTEMBER DELEGATE MEETING NOTES



Link to I-70 Forum Video

<https://youtu.be/-3AXBTr3cBs>

The panelists included: Luchia Brown, moderator, Dennis Royer, PE; Bill DeGroot, PE, F.ASCE, Albert Melcher, MS civil engineer; John VanSciver, PE; Patty Ortiz, PE, PMP Andrea Gelfuso, Esq, and Kyle Zeppelin, developer.

INC's monthly meeting was held at Manual High School on Saturday September 9. INC appreciated DPS allowing us to meet in this lovely school. About 100 people attended the meeting.

In lieu of a regular meeting, INC held a public forum to discuss CDOT's planned expansion of I-70 through the neighborhoods of Elyria and Swansea, and the City of Denver's related Platte to Park Hill Storm Water Project. Over 100 people attended the event. CDOT and Denver's City Planning were invited to be on the panel and both declined.

INC's goal was to provide an opportunity to have a serious open discussion about these two very complicated and controversial projects as well as ask hard questions that many feel have not been answered.

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Although INC invited representatives from the City of Denver and CDOT to participate, they declined. Because many of the concerns and questions need to also be answered by the City and CDOT, INC has requested Denver and CDOT officials provide answers and when received, INC believes this further input will help satisfy expressed concerns, especially about health impacts.

As a result of the forum, delegates (members) from INC passed the following Resolution:

- *INC neighborhoods oppose the proposed expansion of I70 because it increases the health impacts on our neighborhoods and we call on*

Governor Hickenlooper and Mayor Hancock to halt the project until all health impacts have been eliminated.

The Resolution passed by an overwhelming majority vote. This Resolution has been sent to the Governor, Denver's Mayor, members of Denver City Council, and CDOT officials.

The quorum remaining after the forum also approved Board positions Jo Barrios as Secretary and Loretta Koehler as Delegate-at-Large and approved minutes from the delegate meeting held August 12.

**29 RNO's Represented
September 2017 Delegate Meeting**

Topic: I-70/P2P Forum

Alamo Placita N.A.

Baker Historic N.A.

Cherry Creek East Assn.

CHUN

City Park FAN

Cole N.A.

Congress Park Neighbors

Cory-Merrill N.A.

Curtis Park Neighbors

Elyria & Swansea N.A.

FANS of Wash Park

Globeville Civic Partners

Globeville KARES

Golden Triangle Assn.

Green Valley Cit. Adv. Board.

Harkness Heights N.A.

Harvey Park Improvement Assn.

Highland United Neighbors

Lowry United Neighbors

Overland Park N.A.

Rosedale Harvard Gulch N.A.

Stokes Place/Green Bowers Nbrhd.

University Hills North Community

University Neighbors Assn.

University Park Comm. Council

Uptown on the Hill

Wash Park East N.A.

West Highland N.A.

Winston Down Community Assn.

About INC

Established in 1975, Denver INC (Inter Neighborhood Cooperation) is a voluntary, non-profit coalition of representatives from Denver's registered neighborhood organizations (RNO's), city agencies and others that gather to promote responsible city change and growth for Denver. Membership represents over two-thirds of Denver households. We focus on citizen education/advocacy and fair-balance presentations on issues impacting Denver residents. For more information www.denverinc.org



Who can vote at INC meetings?

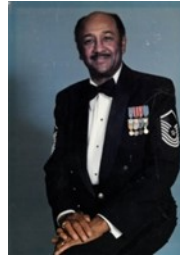
INC hosts monthly meetings on the second Saturday of every month. Any paid RNO member organization representative shall be recognized as a "Voting Delegate".

Per Bylaws: Each Member Organization (RNO level) shall have no more than two (2) voting delegates, who shall be designated on the annual membership application. Each attending delegate shall have only one (1) vote, regardless of how many member RNO's a delegate represents.

Rotating Delegate Option

We know you are busy so, RNO members can also designate alternating/rotating voting delegates to attend INC's meetings. This means that if your "regular" delegate cannot attend all meetings, your RNO can send a substitute of choice to represent your neighborhood. The "in writing prior to the start of a meeting" includes email notices or when you sign in upon arrival. We hope this makes it easier for your RNO to be represented more often at our meetings.

IN MEMORIUM



Harold Brewer Sr.

Harold Brewer, Sr. passed way September 26, 2017. After retirement, he pursued his passion to support the great City of Denver and his community. INC awarded him a Neighborhood Star in 2005 for his services which included his service as a member of the Comprehensive Planning and Advisory Steering Committee for the City and County of Denver, Vice President of the North City Park Civic Association and INC delegate, and Community Liaison for District 8. Additionally, he served on the Police Citizen Advisory council the Appreciate Policy Board, the Colorado Community Policing Board and the Citizen Advisory Board District 2. Brewer also was a community representative for various city efforts, including the "Keep Denver Beautiful" program, the light rail development and the Mayor's Neighborhood Citizen Bond Task Force.

Welcome New Members

Larimer Place Condominiums

Lower DownTown Neighborhood Assn

NOON/Neighbors of North Overland

North City Park Civic Assn

The Fax Partnership



Save the Date

INC Annual Neighborhood Awards Dinner

Doubletree Hotel Stapleton

Wednesday, January 31, 2018

5:30 - 9:00 pm

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