



## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2021

### LAND USE HEARING

The Board of County Commissioners met at 3:00 p.m., with Don Threewitt, Principal Planner. Chair Kefalas presided. Commissioner Shadduck-McNally and Commissioner Stephens were present. Also present were Rob Helmick, Community Development; Stephen Rothwell and Connor Sheldon, Engineering; Jeannine Haag, County Attorney; and Eliza Brock, Deputy Clerk.

### CONSENT AGENDA

**1. HIAWATHA HEIGHTS, BLOCK 16-18 AMENDED PLAT, FILE NO. 20-LAND4009:** The applicant proposes an Amended Plat of lots 3 & 4 of the Amended Plat of lots 11-15 Block 18, Lots 7, 8, 14, and a portion of Lots 9 & 13, Block 17 Lot 5 and a portion of Lots 6 & 7, Block 16, Hiawatha Heights Subdivision and Tract "A" of the Amended Plat of Lots 15 & 16, Block 17, Hiawatha Heights Subdivision and Lot 4 Block 17 Hiawatha Heights and Lots 1 & 16 Block 18, Lots 5 & 6 Block 17 Hiawatha Heights to adjust boundaries of the three parcels to conform to use and access.

Originally scheduled for hearing on September 14, 2020, this item was mistakenly not removed from the consent agenda and approved and not tabled as requested by the applicant. The proposed tabling was intended to allow the owners and neighbors to resolve some longstanding property line questions. It took until early December to resolve those issues. Complicated by evacuations from the Cameron Peak fire and multiple party negotiations. The plat does now reflect the acknowledged boundaries and agreements with respect to use.

### DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TEAM RECOMMENDATION:

The Development Services Team recommends Approval of the Hiawatha Heights Blocks 16-18 Amended Plat file #20-LAND4009, subject to the following condition(s) and authorization for the chairman to sign the plat when the conditions are met and the plat is presented for signature:

1. All conditions of approval shall be met, and the Final Plat recorded by July 25, 2021 or this approval shall be null and void.

2. Prior to the recordation of the Final Plat the applicant shall make any technical corrections required by the Larimer County Engineering Department.

## **MOTION**

Commissioner Shadduck-McNally moved that the Board of County Commissioners approve the items on the Consent Agenda subject to the conditions in the staff report and further move to authorize the chair to sign the findings and resolutions.

### **Motion carried 3-0**

With there being no further business, the Board adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2021**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS MEETING**

The Board of County Commissioners met at 10:00 a.m. with Linda Hoffmann, County Manager. Commissioner Kefalas presided. Commissioner Shadduck-McNally and Commissioner Stephens were present. Also present were: Alisha Jeffers, Commissioners' Office, and Eliza Brock, Deputy Clerk.

Commissioner Kefalas opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Ed Behan, with Larimer Alliance for Health, Safety and the Environment, addressed the Board with a request to consider air-quality monitoring to help with oil and gas regulations.

2. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 18, 2021:**

## **MOTION**

Commissioner Stephens moved that the Board of County Commissioners approve the minutes for the week of January 18, 2021.

### **Motion carried 3-0**

3. **REVIEW OF THE SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 1, 2021:** Ms. Jeffers reviewed the upcoming schedule with the Board.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

## **AGREEMENTS:**

### **1. WARRANTY MEMORANDUM FOR RAMSEY SUBDIVISION**

### **2. AMENDMENT TO IGA WITH CDOT FOR HSIP GRANT FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT HWY1/DOUGLAS RD**

### **3. REMOTE WORKFORCE ENABLEMENT SOFTWARE**

#### **DEEDS:**

#### **1. DEED OF DEDICATION**

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

#### **1. RESOLUTION CORRECTING SALARY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER-DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

#### **2. RESOLUTION CORRECTING SALARY FOR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT-DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

**Miscellaneous:** 2021 EMPG-LEMS Jurisdictional Information Form; Monitoring and Permit Deviation Report; Stipulation as to Tax Year 2020 Value; Stipulation as to Tax Year 2020 Value; Stipulation as to Tax Year 2020 Value.

### **M O T I O N**

Commissioner Shadduck-McNally moved that the Board of County Commissioners approve the Consent Agenda for January 26, 2021.

#### **Motion carried 3-0**

**5. COMMISSIONERS GUESTS:** The Commissioners' did not have any guests.

**6. COVID-19 UPDATE AND DECISIONS:** Linda Hoffmann, County Manager. Manager Hoffman introduced Tom Gonzales, Public Health Director. Director Gonzales updated the Board on vaccination efforts in the county. He reported that just under 30,000 doses of the vaccine have been administered in Larimer County along with just under 6,000 second doses. Second doses will be administered in the coming week. At this time, approximately 6.6% of residents have received the vaccine.

Director Gonzalez reported to the Board that approximately 80% of COVID-19 deaths are attributed to those over 70 years of age. Approximately 30% of residents who are over 70 have been vaccinated at this time. They are projecting that all residents of long-term care facilities should have their first vaccine dose by tomorrow.

The county has received just under 6,000 doses of vaccine this week. Director Gonzales encouraged everyone to visit [larimer.org](http://larimer.org) and click on "COVID-19 Updates" to receive current information. Individuals in group 1A and 1B can also sign up here to receive the vaccine. If citizens do not have internet access, they can also call and get set up. They are working with providers to get to those in the community that cannot make it to a provider or site to receive the vaccine.

Educators are projected to start receiving the vaccine around March 1, 2021, after group 1A and 1B are vaccinated.

Director Gonzales explained there are a few variants of the virus including the UK variant (B.1.1.7) which is 30-50% more transmissible. There are currently ten total cases in Colorado, and we need to be vigilant to make sure that this variant does not become the dominant form of the virus in the community.

Hospitalizations are down slightly to 50 patients and ICU utilization for the county is at 76%. The regional ICU Utilization did jump up to 90%, and they are looking into this. Testing outreach is expanding and introducing creative ideas including setting up in rural and mobile home park communities to bring testing to those residents that are not able travel to their current testing sites. Contact tracers are finding better cooperation with the community, however, are hearing more reports of large gatherings and activities. It will be important for the community to minimize exposure to ensure that schools can stay open. Our current case rate is 360 per 100,000.

There was a discussion between the Board and staff regarding other variants of the virus. There is a variant that has been found in California; however, we are more focused on the UK variant. The vaccine has proven to help against the UK variant, but it is unknown if it will protect against the variant discovered in California.

The Board also asked Director Gonzalez about other vaccine manufacturers. The manufacturer that the Department of Public Health is closely watching is Johnson and Johnson. They are producing a one-dose vaccine which can be a game changer. They are anticipating it will be ready in March.

The Board requested more information on the testing site at the Thompson School District. Director Gonzales invited Katie O'Donnell, Community Relations Supervisor, to provide an update. Ms. O'Donnell explained that the district reached out for help in testing their symptomatic teachers and will eventually test their students. They were able to set up a connection into their system that records test results and provides a liaison for contract tracing on positive cases. They offer rapid testing in a drive-up model a few times a week. This helps them stay ahead of the cycle of the virus in their schools. They have finished training Poudre Schools who will have a similar set up and Estes Park is looking into a similar model. Currently the testing is only for symptomatic individuals, and they are partnering with the Thompson School District to conduct different testing on asymptomatic individuals on Wednesday afternoons.

The Board requested further information on why Poudre School District has delayed in-person learning. Director Gonzales explained that they are taking a pause to monitor whether things are going smoothly before they set dates for returning students to the classroom.

The 14-day case rate seems to be hovering on the dial rather than going down. Case rates, hospitalizations and percent positivity have all plateaued. There is a concern of outbreaks popping up in the community. With schools opening, the community needs to stay vigilant to avoid social gatherings and spectators at extracurricular activities

Manager Hoffmann introduced Shayle Sabo who is currently working under several roles including Emergency Management Coordinator, Planning Section Chief in Emergency Operations Center, Program Manager for Larimer Connect, and a Recovery Manager for the COVID-19 Pandemic Board for Larimer Recovery Collaborative. Ms. Sabo brought attention to the deadline for small business relief that is tomorrow. This includes restaurants, bars, breweries, wineries, distilleries, gyms, and movie theatres. Businesses can apply at Larimer.org or their closest municipality.

Manager Hoffman reported that there will be a full update with Ms. Sabo at the scheduled work session on Monday February 1, 2021. The session will focus on moving forward with the new Board on plans and funding.

The Board thanked Mr. Gonzalez and the public health staff for all their continued hard work and efforts to keep Larimer County residents safe. They also encouraged the community to continue following the public health orders of wearing masks, keeping six-foot distance, and avoiding large gatherings.

7. **COUNTY MANAGER UPDATE:** Manager Hoffmann updated the Board on this week's coordination meetings and upcoming projects and activities.

8. **COMMISSIONER ACTIVITY REPORTS:** The Board detailed their attendance at events during the previous week.

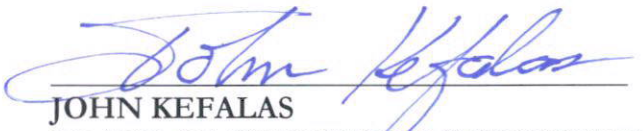
13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b): specific legal questions and status reports on two pending court cases involving Northern Integrated Supply Project (NISP).

## MOTION

Commissioner Stephens moved that the Board of County Commissioners enter executive session pursuant to C.R.S 24-6-402(4)(b), conferences with an attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions and status reports on two pending court cases involving Northern Integrated Supply Project (NISP).

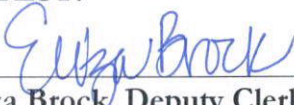
**Motion carried 3-0**

With there being no further business, the Board adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

  
JOHN KEFALAS  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ANGELA MYERS  
CLERK AND RECORDER

ATTEST:

  
Eliza Brock, Deputy Clerk

