



Date: Tuesday, March 02, 2021
Time: 9:00 AM
Location: Hearing Room, 1st Floor, 200 West Oak Street, Fort Collins

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

All who wish to comment must follow the [Rules and Procedures for Public Comment](#) as established by the Board of County Commissioners. **PLEASE NOTE:** Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and limited room capacity, we are taking public comments via email and phone, in addition to in-person comments. If commenting via email, please send your comment to bcc-admin@larimer.org. If commenting by phone, you must register in advance. Please email bcc-admin@larimer.org or call (970) 498-7010 and provide your name, topic for comment and phone number. We will call you for your comment.

Approval of Minutes

1. Draft minutes for the week of February 22, 2021

Upcoming Schedule Review

1. Draft schedule for the week of March 8, 2021

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda consists of items of no perceived controversy and routine administrative actions, such as Abatements, Agreements, Deeds, Final Plats, Liquor Licenses, Resolutions and other matters previously reviewed by the Board of County Commissioners. Staff recommends approval of the Consent Agenda. A Commissioner may request that an item be “pulled” off the agenda and considered separately. Items pulled from the agenda will be considered after the Board takes action on the remainder of the Consent Agenda.

[Please click here for Consent Agenda and related documents](#)

Comments from Commissioners' Guests

Larimer County is home to La Cocina, a one-of-a kind purpose driven, affinity-based organization meeting the mental health needs of 600+ Latinx families. Janina Fariñas, Chief Executive Officer of La Cocina, will present *La Cocina: Created & Cultivated Here, Now Pride of Colorado!*

Discussion Items

1. Dixon Station Conservation Easement Project

Submitted by: Daylan Figgs, Meegan Flenniken, Natural Resources; Charlie Johnson, Engineering/Natural Resources

DESCRIPTION: This 73-acre agricultural property is located north of Wellington and adjacent and west of I-25. The property was purchased by the Poudre Valley Community Farms (PVCF) and Colorado Open Lands is seeking to place a conservation easement on the farm and asking Larimer County to be a financial partner.

Poudre Valley Community Farms, a Land Cooperative, was born from the challenges faced by young farmers in northern front range in finding affordable farmland. PVCF is an incorporated Colorado cooperative entity which offers shares of farmland ownership to its prospective members. Under PVCF's model, members cooperatively own farmland, thereby allowing them to offer secure, long-term leases to producers. This conservation project will help further this innovative model whereby community-owned farmland can provide secure tenure for the next generation of willing and capable farmers who wouldn't otherwise have access to land. In this case, PVCF is leasing the property to Jodar Farms which raises meat chickens, laying hens and hogs for sale to local restaurants, area farmers markets, and through the farm's own CSA and farm store.

Dixon Station Farm includes prime soil and reliable water delivery systems and being adjacent to I-25 protects the visual and scenic rural character of this area. All residential development rights will be extinguished. PVCF plans to include a 2-acre Agricultural Building Envelope to house future agriculture related infrastructure such as a barn, packing house or other similar structures. One NPIC share and two wells will be encumbered by the conservation easement and enable PVCF to lease additional NPIC water as needed.

This partnership consisting of Colorado Open Lands, Larimer County Natural Resources, and Poudre Valley Community Farms is precedence setting in terms of a unique partnership for the conservation of irrigated agricultural lands and promotion of local food for the community.

Funding:

PVCF Donation	\$470,000 (Land)
Larimer County	\$150,000 (Land)
PVCF	\$ 57,200 (due diligence costs)
Grant Family Foundation	\$ 10,000 (appraisal)

2. 2021 Legislative Session Update

Submitted by: Michelle Bird, Public Affairs Director

DESCRIPTION: The 2021 State of Colorado Legislative session began in mid-February. We would like to update the Board of County Commissioners on several legislative issues including legislation that would impact the Office of Emergency Management and Community Corrections.

3. COVID-19 Updates and Decisions

Submitted by: Linda Hoffmann, County Manager

County Manager Update

Update to the Board of County Commissioners regarding administrative matters and other items that do not require in-depth discussion or are for informational purposes only.

Commissioner Activity Reports

The Board of County Commissioners represent the County on various committees and task forces and serve as liaisons to the County's boards and commissions. Commissioners report the activities they have been involved in over the past week.

Legal Matters

No decision expected

- Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b): conference with attorneys for the purpose of receiving legal advice regarding the court order issued by Larimer County District Court in the City of Thornton vs. Larimer County Commissioners, Case #19CV30339.

- Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b): conference with attorneys for the purpose of receiving legal advice regarding the Colorado Department of Health & Environment surface water discharge permit and solid waste compliance order for the Landfill.

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