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## From the Mayor:

A new Trustee Board was sworn-in this past April. I am entering my second two-year term as Mayor and most of our Trustees also have previous experience including Kathy Boyle, Mike Giesen, Ed Icenogle, Jim Tarpey and Bill Dotson (Deputy Mayor). We have one new board member, long-time Columbine Valley resident Al Timothy. We meet the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall. Our meetings are open to the public and also available in real-time over the internet.

The Town doesn't have a lot of major issues currently, but there is a surprising amount work for such a small Town. The biggest issue at the moment remains our roads, especially in light of the Denver Water project throughout Old Town, which wraps up in August or September. The Trustees are debating now when and how to engage on roads ... not only in Old Town, but throughout our City. We have saved approximately \$4.5 million in our Capital Construction account and I anticipate spending a good chunk of that at the beginning of summer 2023 to address nearly every street in the Town. This will range from full mill and overlay, to chip seal, and to slurry seal. We believe we can get better bids and leverage more contractors by combining all the work at the same time.

Construction continues at Wild Plum, with Lennar having started construction on all their lots and Epic

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## MAYOR & BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Roy Palmer, Mayor  
(Term Expires April 2024)

Bill Dotson, Mayor Pro Tem  
Trustee (Public Safety)  
(Term Expires April 2026)

Kathy Boyle,  
Trustee (Community Affairs)  
(Term Expires April 2024)

Mike Giesen,  
Trustee (Finance)  
(Term Expires April 2024)

Ed Icenogle,  
Trustee (Public Works)  
(Term Expires April 2026)

Jim Tarpey,  
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Al Timothy,  
Trustee (Building)  
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## From the Mayor (cont.)

Homes moving rapidly as well. All the houses should be finished in about a year from now. We don't have any other large tracts of vacant land in the Town, but we do anticipate two or three small (2-3 lot) zoning requests in the near future.

Finally, our staff is hard at work planning for our 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and 5k run, as well as for this summer's concert series (June 23, July 14, and Aug. 4). These are great events and I encourage you to bring your family out.

- Mayor Roy Palmer

## GOLF CART REMINDER

The Town of Columbine Valley adopted the 2020 Model Traffic Code for Colorado. As part of the revisions to the Code, state law allows a municipality to elect whether they will allow golf carts on municipal roadways.

Columbine Valley adopted an ordinance (10.08.030) which states that a golf cart may only be operated on public roads by a



licensed driver. While being operated on a roadway in the town, between the hours of sunset and sunrise, the golf cart must be equipped with two headlights and two taillights which are visible at a distance of 500 ft. Additionally, golf carts must be operated in accordance with state and local laws, which mean all traffic laws apply such as stopping at stop signs.

Golf carts are prohibited from operating on S. Platte Canyon Rd. which is a state highway. Golf carts are allowed to cross over S. Platte Canyon Rd. but please keep in mind that Columbine Valley ordinance 10.08.030 only applies to roadways within the town limits. Once you cross over S. Platte Canyon Rd. or W. Bowles Ave. you are subject to the regulations of that jurisdiction. You should familiarize yourself with the law in each jurisdiction prior to operating a golf cart on their roadways.



Plan to join us for the 2022 Summer Concert Series at Town Hall!

- **Thursday, June 23: The Long Run**—Colorado's Tribute to the Eagles is back by popular demand with Steuben's Food Truck
- **Thursday, July 14: Dr. Kool & the Disco Divas**—Unforgettable melodies from the Disco Era with Sizzle Food Truck
- **Thursday, August 4: Montage**—Extraordinary party band performing hits from yesterday and today with LB Tacos Food Truck

Music starts at 6:15 p.m. Food trucks will start serving at 6:00 p.m. or you can bring your own picnic dinner along with your chairs and blankets.

# 4th OF July

## JULY 3RD FIRE WORKS AT CCC

The Town is once again partnering with Columbine Country Club to open the driving range to all Town residents for fireworks viewing. Starting at 8:00 p.m. please access the driving range from the front of the Country Club (east side). Sunset is at 8:30 and the show will begin shortly there-after.

Bring lawn chairs or blankets. No food, beverage or restrooms will be provided by the Town or Country Club. This will be a great lead-in to the 5k, Parade and festivities the next day!

## The 33rd Annual Fourth of July Parade & Festival

7:00 a.m.—5k Walk/Run Start at Town Hall - check the website for registration information!

7:30 a.m.—Pancake Breakfast (at corner of Fairway & Driver Lanes)

8:00 a.m.—Cart Decorating Contest  
Most Original | Most Creative | Most Patriotic

8:20 a.m.—Mayor's Welcome

8:30 a.m.—Singing of the National Anthem

8:40 a.m.—Parade Kick-Off featuring American Legion and Party Crashers Brass & Drums

9:00 a.m.—Festival at Columbine Park @ Town Hall with Live Entertainment, Face Painters & Balloon Artists, Root Beer Floats and more!



# ELECTRICAL SAFETY

*From South Metro Fire Rescue's Community Risk Reduction Bureau*

Have you ever been tempted to use a frayed phone charger? Are you guilty of using multiple extension cords? Are your kids always unplugging your appliances so they can charge their devices?

Faulty electrical outlets, frayed cords, or improper charging techniques are a leading cause of residential fires. We have more electronics in our homes than ever. Here are some tips to help you stay connected safely.

## **Take Charge:**

When charging cell phones, tablets, and laptops, make sure they are on a solid nonflammable surface. As mobile devices charge, they produce heat. Charging devices on your bed, couch, or other soft surface, limits the amount of air flow around the device. As a result, both the soft surface and the charging device could heat enough to start a fire.

## **Loose outlets:**

Do plugs fall out of your outlets? A loose outlet is a sign that your outlet is not making a solid connection with the rest of the power in your home. This can create sparks which could lead to a fire inside your wall. A loose outlet should be inspected and replaced.

## **Damaged electrical and extension cords:**

Are your cords showing signs of wear and tear? If electrical cords are fraying, pulling away from the plug, or you see exposed wires, it is time for a new cord. Do not try to fix the cords; replace them. Frayed cords can harm you or harm your device.

## **Outlets and power strips:**

Can you overload an outlet or a power strip? Yes. If you have multiple items plugged into one outlet, the outlet is pulling more electricity than it was designed for. Never plug one power strip into another. Never plug an extension cord into a power strip. This can result in an electrical fire which may start behind the wall and go undetected until it has advanced dangerously.

## **Other helpful hints:**

- Never put water on an electrical fire.
- Know how to turn off electricity to your home.
- Appliances should be plugged directly into the wall. Large appliances like refrigerators require a lot of power and frequently cycle on and off, which can easily overload a power strip.
- Not all extension cords are the same. Some are not designed for use outside. Make sure the extension cord is designed your intended use.
- Learn about volts, amps, and watts in this video: <https://youtu.be/Rl7JcaigBAM>

For information on other safety issues, visit [www.southmetro.org](http://www.southmetro.org) or contact Selena Silva, Community Risk Reduction Specialist, [selena.silva@southmetro.org](mailto:selena.silva@southmetro.org).

# WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Denver Water has completed Phase 1 of the water main replacement project and moved on to Phase 2.

This second phase will last approximately three months and includes:

- Fairway Lane from Club Lane to Damsire Drive (approx. one month)
- Driver Lane and Cleek Way (approx. one month)
- Wedge Way (approx. one month)

Future phases include:

- On the golf course, from the cul-de-sac on Niblick Lane to the cul-de-sac on Driver Lane (to be completed in the fall/winter months)

The Town's Board of Trustees will soon be discussing follow up street work to begin next summer.

Denver Water will provide a reminder notice on the front door of impacted properties one to three days prior to work beginning on your street. Working hours are typically Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., but emergency operations outside of those times may be necessary. Denver Water will notify homes directly who will be impacted by temporary water outages or shut-offs. Residents may contact Denver Water Customer Care at 303-893-2444 or visit [www.denverwater.org/pipes](http://www.denverwater.org/pipes) for additional information.

## TRASH AND RECYCLE CONTAINERS

Please remember to practice good trash can etiquette. While some HOA's require trash and recycle bins to be stored in your garage or out of sight, others rely on residents to do so on their own accord. Be sure to know what rules your HOA has in place to avoid potential fines. Additionally, the Town has adopted set hours at which trash and recycle should be at the curb. Bins should be out no earlier than one hour before sunset the day prior to trash/recycle service, and no later than 9:00 p.m. the day of trash/recycle service.

## GARAGE SALES

As a reminder, individual garage sales are prohibited in Columbine Valley. Each HOA is permitted to have one coordinated event each calendar year at which residents can open their homes, yards, or garages for an annual purge of unwanted items. Check with your HOA to see if they have scheduled an event this year. Please visit the Town's website for more information.

## LEASH REQUIRED

Columbine Valley has a leash law requiring all dogs be on a leash, in the hands of a competent person, when off your own property. Dogs should not be allowed to run free, and you will receive a citation for the offense. As a reminder, the Columbine Country Club is private property and trespassing laws are enforced.



## FIREWORKS

Fireworks that leave the ground or explode are illegal per State Statute. Anyone found lighting such fireworks will be subject to a citation from the Police Department. We ask that you also be cognizant of red flag warnings or fire bans active in the area for the safety of our entire community.

Follow the Town on Nextdoor!



## *DATES TO KNOW*

- **June 21:** Board of Trustees Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **June 23:** Concert in the Park, 6:15 p.m.
- **July 4:** Fourth of July Parade & Festival
- **July 14:** Concert in the Park, 6:15 p.m.
- **July 19:** Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- **August 4:** Concert in the Park, 6:15 p.m.
- **August 9:** Planning & Zoning Meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- **August 16:** Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

## TOWN STAFF

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