# **COLUMBINE**VALLEY**VOICE**

**FALL 2022** 



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## From the Mayor:

The Summer has slipped by quickly. It's a busy time for the Town. From Town directories, to building permits, parades, concerts, special events, or maintenance ... it's always busiest in the summer. I'd like to say a special thanks to our Town staff for holding it all together these past few months.

Thanks are owed as well to our Police department (9 full or part-time). They work 24/7 and are visible and patrol all our streets multiple times per day. And they don't just write traffic tickets. Over the summer the Department has dealt with cart thefts, home and car break-ins, alleged sex assault, trespassing, domestic disputes, DUI's, financial fraud, vagrancy, and much more. They've made many arrests this summer and helped solve several significant crimes. Thanks to all.

If you've driven by Town Hall lately you may notice a new flat bed pick-up/snow plow. This truck was ordered 11 months ago and replaces a decades old, undersized truck. We plow our own snow, which is a change from when I started on the Town Board several years ago and all of those services were contracted out (expensively and somewhat unreliably).

As far as development goes, there is still a lot of major re-model work going on and several scrapes underway or permitted. There are also a few remaining unplatted plots of land in the Watson Lane area that may come in for review in the near future. Our major new development, Wild Plum, is moving closer

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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)

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### From the Mayor (cont.)

to the end of construction. Last I checked, all but about 3 lots were under construction (out of 95 homes) and more than half are now occupied. We welcome our new neighbors and look forward to expanding our Town services to serve you.

Finally, our Town staff is preparing for Board approval a comprehensive paving and resurfacing plan for the whole Town for late spring next year. The Denver Water project is now complete in Old Town and we know those streets need a major overhaul. But we also plan to address nearly all of the other streets in Town as well. We anticipate spending up to \$4 million and hope to sign a contract this fall for the 2023 work.

### NEIGHBORS BY RING

Hello Columbine Valley Community! This is Chief Bret Cottrell from the Columbine Valley Police Department. We just wanted to remind you that we have partnered with Ring, in our efforts to connect with residents and improve the safety of our communities. Neighbors allows you, the user, to share photos, videos and information related to local crime and safety incidents so fellow residents can stay informed.

The Police can view what local residents have posted publicly to Neighbors and can now chime-in with relevant updates or safety alerts to help residents stay informed. You do not need a Ring device to join Neighbors. Anyone with a smartphone can download the Neighbors App in order to receive updates and have the option to post photos or videos from any device.



Neighbors by Ring

Join the Neighborhood.

#### Step 1

Download the free Neighbors App from the Apple App store or Google Play store



#### Step 2

Open the Neighbors App and tap "Join Neighbors".

#### Step 3

Enter your address and tap "Done" then tap "Confirm" to continue.

#### Step 4

Enter your name, email address, password then tap "Sign up". Welcome to Neighbors.

## COLUMBINE SQUARE

The City of Littleton is working on the Master Development Plan for Columbine Square at 5151 S. Federal Blvd., at the southwest corner of Belleview Ave. and Federal Blvd. Updates regarding the development may be found at <u>https://</u> <u>data.littletongov.org/pal.php?project=MDP22-0003</u>. Littleton Planning Commission and City Council meetings are avenues at which residents may voice opinions on the project. There will also likely be opportunities for community meetings and public comment announced through the City of Littleton.

## 2023 DIRECTORIES

We will prepare a printed Town directory for 2023. Updates and new submissions may be sent using the Directory Form under "Community/New Residents" on the website to Erin Acheson by October 31 at eacheson@columbinevalley.org.

Residents can also opt in for the online directory to manage their own contact information by contacting Erin. Those who opt in will also receive occasional direct-to-resident emails from the Town with news and event information.

## TOWN HALL HOURS

As of August 1, Town Hall is observing new business hours: 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by appointment.

## WATER MAIN WORK

Denver Water has completed Phase 2 of the water main replacement project. The final phase begins this fall on the golf course to connect pipes from the cul-desac on Niblick Lane to the cul-de-sac on Driver Lane.

## DUMPSTER ORDINANCE

Columbine Valley Trustees passed an ordinance in April 2022 prohibiting dumpsters, storage units, portapotties and the like in the street for any reason. These items will need to remain on your property.

### Fall Events



**9/10 & 17, Hazardous Material Drop Off** 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. | *Englewood Service Center, 2800 S. Platte River Dr.* Residents can safely dispose of household hazardous materials such as batteries, motor oil, and pesticides. A co-pay and proof of Columbine Valley residency will be required.

#### 10/3, Flu Shot Clinic

7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. | *Town Hall* 

Front Range Flu Shots LLC will offer flu immunizations. Fees range in price and a copay may apply. You must present your insurance card.

#### 10/8, Fall Shred Event

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | *Town Hall* Bring your confidential documents and records to be shredded while you watch! Check the website for a list of what can and cannot be shredded.

#### 10/29, Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. | *Town Hall* Town Hall serves as a prescription drug collection site for this national event to help keep unwanted or expired drugs out of the wrong hands.

### **SOLICITORS & THE NO VISIT LIST**

Solicitors must be permitted by the Town of Columbine Valley and would have a Town issued badge. Residents may request to be placed on the "No Visit List" that is also provided to approved solicitors.

Learn more and check to see if your address is already on the No Visit List at www.columbinevalley.org/solicitationsno-visit-list/. Add your address by emailing Communications Coordinator Erin Acheson at eacheson@columbinevalley.org.

#### Follow the Town on Nextdoor!





DATES TO KNOW

- Sept. 5: Town Hall Closed for Labor Day •
- Sept. 10 & 17: Hazardous Material Drop Off, 8:00 a.m. .
- Sept. 20: Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. •
- **Oct. 3:** Flu Shot Clinic, 7:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. .
- Oct. 8: Fall Shred Event, 9:00 a.m.
- Oct. 11: Planning & Zoning Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- Oct. 18: Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. •
- Oct. 29: Prescription Drug Take Back, 10:00 a.m. •
- Nov. 15: Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 p.m. •
- Nov. 24 & 25: Town Hall Closed for Thanksgiving

#### **TOWN STAFF**

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