

2016

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS  
SUMMIT





March 3, 2016	Loveland Boards & Commissions Summit Rialto Theater Center
5:00pm-5:45pm	Social Hour
5:45pm-6:45pm	Buffet Dinner
6:45pm-7:00pm	Mayor's Welcome – Cecil Gutierrez 2016 Goals—Bill Cahill, City Manager
7:00pm-7:10pm	Introduction to Presentations – Rod Wensing, Assistant City Manager
7:10pm-8:00pm	2015 Accomplishments from:  <b>Community Marketing Commission</b> <b>Disabilities Advisory Commission</b> <b>Fire &amp; Rescue Advisory Commission</b> <b>Historic Preservation Commission</b> <b>Library Board</b> <b>Loveland Utilities Commission</b> <b>Visual Arts Commission</b> <b>Youth Advisory Commission</b>
8:00pm-8:10pm	Break
8:10pm-8:50pm	Activity – Tom Hacker, Public Information Officer
8:50pm-9:00pm	Mayor's Closing Remarks



# Loveland

**VISION: A VIBRANT COMMUNITY,  
SURROUNDED BY NATURAL BEAUTY,  
WHERE YOU BELONG**

**MISSION: ACHIEVE LOVELAND'S COMMUNITY  
VISION THROUGH INNOVATION, DEDICATION  
AND EXCELLENT SERVICE**

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The purpose of the annual  
Boards & Commissions Summit:  
To provide a forum for two-way communication between  
City Council and Commissions  
through:

- **Celebration of 2015 achievements of boards and commissions**
- **Communicate 2016 priorities**
- **Focus on partnership and collaboration**

Council depends on Boards and Commissions for policy development by providing:

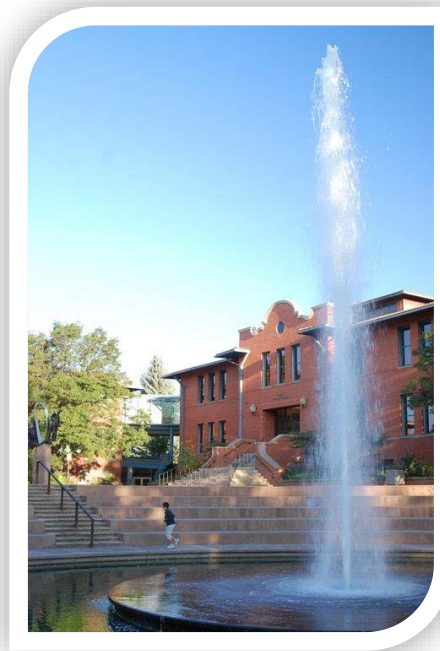
Support in an advisory capacity on issues of specific expertise

Strong leadership in the community

Strengthen partnerships within the community for collaborative solutions

Accountability for advancing Comprehensive Master Plan Vision Statements

Effective meeting management to value those that volunteer their time



## 2015 Accomplishments

- The Affordable Housing Commission reviewed grant applications totaling \$410,223 for five projects and made funding recommendations to city council to allocate \$209,607 for four, including housing rehabilitation, infrastructure for new low-income and veteran housing, office space at the Life Center for a non-profit that serves at-risk youth, and the purchase of land on which to build an affordable home. The projects will leverage an additional \$20.2 million in funding to complete.
- The Commission approved an affordable housing designation for a project to rehabilitate an existing low income multifamily development with 60 units. The project will mitigate mold and plumbing that causes flooding in many of the apartments. All 60 units will be affordable to people living at or below 60% of the AMI.
- The Commission assisted the Community Partnership Office to develop the 2015-2020 Consolidated Plan for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on behalf of the City of Loveland. The Consolidated Plan outlines both the capital needs of our local non-profits and describes Loveland's need for affordable housing.

## 2016 Goals

- The Commission will review applications for the 2016 Community Development Block Grant and recommend to city council an allocation of approximately \$275,000 in grant funding for bricks and mortar projects.
- The Commission will review and make recommendations to city council any requests for an affordable housing designation, which allows the applicant to request a waiver of building and development fees. The Commission will also review fee waiver applications and make recommendations to city council.
- Other projects the Commission will review include developing and recommending an affordable housing policy to city council to continue to increase affordable housing units, proposing a city sponsored fund for rehabilitation and maintenance of affordable housing, and continuing to look at homelessness needs in Loveland, including the scope of homelessness and strategies for addressing issues in Loveland.





- 2015 Accomplishments
  - Audit Review
  - Budget Review
  - Priority-based Budgeting Advice
- 2016 Goals
  - Education
  - Auditor Bid Process
  - Investment Policy Recommendations





- The CMC sponsored a variety of community and destination events throughout the year, including: Loveland Fire and Ice Festival, Colorado Eagles Games, Loveland Loves BBQ, Bands & Brews, USA Pro Challenge, Rock'n Western Rendezvous, Corn Roast Festival, 2 Open House events at Visitors Center, Sculpture Show Weekend, NoCO Mini Maker Faire, Hot Cars Cool Nights, Pastels on 5<sup>th</sup>, Tour de Pants, and more.
- Through a partnership with Colorado Life Magazine, staff saved almost \$30k on printing 85,000 visitor guides in 2015. These guides were distributed throughout Colorado and surrounding states, as well as through Denver International Airport, Rocky Mountain National Park and internationally at travel trade shows.
- Thanks to a great partnership with the Colorado Tourism Office, Visit Loveland hosted 12 fam trips (including tour operators and travel writers): China Cosmopolitan Magazine, Colorado State Welcome Center, South America/Panama, Germany, Mexico, China, UK, Korea
- The new Visit Loveland responsive website launched in October. The website gives staff the ability to easily update and manage content. New features were added including a blog, Instagram feed, and a video section.
- The Front Range Region group collaborated in a marketing partnership to produce a website and print collateral to promote the 50 breweries in the front range region alone. The group consists of Loveland, Boulder, Longmont, Greeley, Fort Collins and Estes Park. The program is supported through a grant from the State of Colorado.
- Loveland was showcased to the state, US, and world at trade shows, conferences and events such as: Go West Summit, Destination Colorado Front Range Trade Show, Governor's Tourism Conference, Tourism Day at the Capitol, IPW (Pow Wow), DMAI, CADMO, TIAC Reception
- Thanks to the support of Economic Development, City Council and the CMC, Loveland, Windsor and Estes Park were able to collaborate on an RTA bid to bring several destination attractions and hotels to the region. Although the projects are not finalized, negotiations are in progress.
- Support of the Fort Collins-Loveland airport helped bring flights from Rockford, IL on Elite Airways. Visitors Center volunteers put visitor guides on each flight.
- More than \$39 million in paid advertising equivalency and more than 221 million impressions were secured through public relations efforts in 2015. In 2015, Loveland was featured in top publications such as: USA Today, AAA Encompass, Cowboys and Indians Magazine, Family Vacations US, The Associated Press, HeidiTown.com, CatchCarri.com, Channel 2 Daybreak, 9 News, 7 News, Fox 31, EveryDay Show, iHeartMedia, 1310 KFKA, 5280 Magazine, Slam'd Magazine, Mile High Mamas, Family Vacation Critic, Fort Collins Magazine, Greeley Tribune, Scene Magazine, Wyoming Tribune Eagle, LA Times, Mountain Living Magazine, Boulder Daily Camera, and many others.
- Staff worked with the Colorado Tourism Office to film 2 Visit Loveland commercials. The commercials are on the Colorado.com website as well as the Visit Loveland YouTube channel, at the Colorado Eagles games and our website.



### 2015 Accomplishments

- Long-time Chairman Greg Meisinger resigned from the board and Chris Rosenberger assumed the role of Chairman
- The CAB held a special open-forum meeting in November for the contracting and development community
- The CAB authorized the modification of existing code amendments to address issues such as required permits

### 2016 Goals

- Review proposed amendments to the currently adopted International Codes
- Provide guidance related to methods of addressing licensing of non-responsive contractors



- Supported community engagement by promoting outreach to the Loveland area during Cultural Services exhibits and events. Participated in cooperative ventures with other City departments, the School District and other organizations
- Provided volunteer support during Cultural Services exhibits and events, and assist with coordinating the best use of volunteers across the Cultural Services Department
- Supported and advocated for the Loveland Museum/Gallery expansion by encouraging a favorable Capital Expansion Fee structure
- Advocated for a stand-alone/off-site collections storage facility that provides for the safety of the collection, allows for environmental control, and is more easily expanded, and has less impact on the Museum building
- Assisted with the establishment of new non-profit board for the Museum
- Assisted with the growth of Rialto membership organization



## Disabilities Advisory Commission 2015 Actions and Accomplishments



1. Longview Recreation Trail Support: Sent a letter of support to the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Division the completion of a section of the expansion of the Longview Recreation Trail that would connect the Loveland and Ft. Collins trails system. The expansion of this trail system would afford for more recreational and socializing possibilities for people with disabilities.
2. Disability Awareness Education and Outreach: Revised and updated DAC's information brochure and webpage. The brochure is distributed to people when educational events are held. Members set up a table at the Rialto for the Phamaly performance and provided information on DAC and resources to people with disabilities.
3. DAC Member Education: Members set out to educate themselves this year on various aspects of the ADA to be in a better position to provide assistance to citizens. One member prepared and conducted a presentation to DAC members on living with a visual impairment.
4. Physical Access: Provided feedback to the Public Works on their updated ADA transition plan for right-of-ways and sidewalks. Met with City's architect to review ADA compliance on the remodel of the Fire and Administration Building, which will house the Development Permit Center and the remodel of the Maintenance Operation Center, where the City of Loveland Transit will be located.



- **FRAC Governing Board Alignment** – As the Loveland Fire Rescue Authority matured this year, so did the relationship of FRAC to its appropriate governing body. As such, FRAC was dissolved as a City of Loveland commission and is now directly accountable to the LFRA Board; representing both City and Rural interests. FRAC was also removed from the Fire Code Board of Appeals process.
- **Capital Expansion Fees (CEF):** participated and provided feedback for the City Council directed review of CEF methodology and proposed change.
- **Food Sales Tax:** FRAC (in conjunction with the Rural Fire Protection District Board) analyzed, provided feedback through a statement to councilors and participated in City Council meetings to bring LFRA and citizen perspective to the potential elimination of the food sales tax.
- **Budget Review:** FRAC Chair participated in a subcommittee and members reviewed the LFRA 2016 Budget.
- **Fire Operations Training:** To further educate and equip FRAC members for future policy and operations planning, LFRA leadership and staff presented monthly materials that expanded the knowledge of FRAC members.

## Examples:

Basic Fire Scene Overview  
 Communications Center Overview  
 Engine, Tower, Rescue Apparatus Tour  
 HazMat Operations  
 LFRA Training Center Facility Tour  
 Wildland Fire Operations  
 Live Burn Demonstration  
 Rope Rescue  
 Airport Fire Operations



## 2015 Accomplishments

1. Work with Staff on 2016 Golf Fund balance projections, 2016 operation budgets, revenue projections and fee setting policies along with updating 2016 – 2021 capital improvement projects schedule  
**Status:** A strategic move to continue to purchase capital equipment was made based on a positive golf fund balance, allowing the golf courses to continue to replace outdated equipment per schedule. A study of fees was conducted; it was decided to increase the Seasonal Pass price for the 3 Course Individual Full Week and leave all other 2015 fees in place for 2016 with no modification.
2. Work with Staff in continuing a Family Golf Initiative and New Golfer Initiative for the Loveland Golf courses; continue to utilize ownership of all Cattail Creek golf course operations and mini-course and SNAG equipment to build new golfer base and transition golfers to other options; review cost recovery goals as they relate to new golfers and youth golfers; continue transition of Cattail Creek into a more diverse “learning center;” investigate possibilities to expand family friendly initiative to other two golf courses.  
**Status:** New Golfer and Family friendly golf opportunities were discussed. Continued marketing the Mini-Course, the 3-Hole Round, and the new Games on the Range at Mariana Butte, as introduction pathways for new golfers. In addition, operations at The Olde Course at Loveland were discussed with the ultimate decision made to self-operate The Olde Course pro shop and to request proposals for the Food and Beverage and Golf Instruction concessions services.
3. Work with staff to formulate and generate ideas to develop and provide innovative and appealing driving range facilities that serve as a fun entry way into the sport.  
**Status:** Great strides were taken in this area with the construction and implementation of the new Games on the Range at the Mariana Butte golf course, and in the construction and addition of M.E.L.V.I.N. at Cattail Creek. Both driving ranges now offer targets and obstacles that can be used both for productive practice, by the more experienced golfer, and as game targets for entertainment and a means as a non-intimidating introduction to the game of golf for new golfers.

## 2016 Priorities

1. Work with Staff on 2017 Golf Fund balance projections, 2017 operation budgets, revenue projections and fee setting policies along with updating 2017 – 2022 capital improvement projects schedule
2. Work with Staff in continuing a Family Golf Initiative and New Golfer Initiative for the Loveland Golf courses; continue to utilize ownership of all Cattail Creek golf course operations and mini-course and SNAG equipment to build new golfer base and transition golfers to other options; continue transition of Cattail Creek into a more diverse “learning center;” continue investigate possibilities to expand family friendly initiative to other two golf courses.
3. Work with staff to continue to develop and provide innovative and appealing driving range facilities that serve as a fun entry way into the sport. Work with staff to develop “self-directed learning” opportunities utilizing the driving range and practice areas.
4. Work with staff to align new City operated pro shop business practices at The Olde Course at Loveland with existing operations at Mariana Butte and Cattail Creek and with Golf Division goals

- Attained National Designation of Downtown Historic District
- Saving Places Conference Attendance
- Outreach Booth at Mahaffey Park Opening Event
- Appointment of High School Student Youth Commissioner
- Attained Local Designation of Loveland Substation Railroad and First Street
- Marketed and coordinated in May is Historic Preservation Month
- Hosted Second Annual Tour de Pants Event featuring Marshal Frank Peak, a Loveland officer who was murdered by unknown assailants in 1915.
- Provided information posted on Facebook
- Guided Bill Reed Middle School Photography/Architecture/History Walk
- Provided historic preservation fan giveaways at Pro-cycle challenge and Corn Roast Festival
- Hosted annual holiday outreach event with architectural student project presentation





## 2015 Accomplishments

- The Human Services Commission reviewed grant proposals from 39 agencies requesting \$915,113 for 45 programs. Eleven commissioners attended more than 25 hours of agency presentations each in addition to spending, on average, 35 hours reading proposals.
- The Commission made a funding recommendation to City Council to allocate \$548,370.00 for programs that provide food, shelter, physical and mental health care, as well as crisis prevention and assistance with sustaining independent living for Loveland citizens.
- Commissioners made 11 site visits to non-profit agencies that received city grant funds in 2015.
- The Commission reviewed the 2015 grant process and made appropriate changes.
- An annual survey, completed by applicant agencies reviewing the grant process, showed a 96% favorable rating.

## 2016 Goals

- All Commissioners will receive training on the grant lifecycle management online program that is used to receive and store proposals and project reports, and assist with the distribution of grant funding.
- The Commission will review proposals for the 2016 Human Services Grant and recommend to city council an allocation of approximately \$550,000 in grant funding.
- The Commission will make site visits to the non-profit agencies that receive grant funds.
- The Commission will review the 2016 grant process and request comments from agencies about the process.
- The Commission will review funding requests from non-profits for bricks and mortar projects, upon City Council direction.





### Library Board Accomplishments in 2015

- A committee of library staff spent most of the year studying and developing a new brand for the library. At various points all staff and board members were asked to participate in decision making. By the end of the year the new brand, logo and website were launched with the tagline "Where you can!"
- The Library Board continued to study and provide input for the City's analysis of the Capital Expansion Fee program, meeting several times with the consultant and City Financial Advisor. Options for a future branch library are being studied, possibly in conjunction with plans for an additional recreation center.
- Two members of the Library Board met with two library employees and two Friends of the Library Foundation members to select and oversee the quarterly art exhibits in the five display cases in the Galleria.
- A local mother visited the Library Board to address the lack of local resources for children with visual impairments. She provided the names of contacts that library staff investigated. As a result, the library now hosts the bimonthly Northern Colorado meetings of the Anchor Center for Blind Children and has started a collection of books in braille.
- The Library's strategic plan adopted by the Board in November 2014 put emphasis on outreach to underserved users, services for teens and young adults and ways to increase awareness of new and expanded library services. The Friends of the Library Foundation funded the library's pedal-powered Library Interactive Mobile Outreach (LIMO) that was taken to community events including the farmers' market, Cherry Pie Festival, Corn Roast Parade and Storyteller in the Parks sites in the summer. New partnerships were developed and the library hosted events including:
  - Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) celebration
  - A community marketplace with the Loveland Center for Business Development
  - Tales on Tap, an event with Grimm Brothers Aleworks that incorporated storytelling of Grimm Brothers' tales with beer history and tasting.
  - Oh Heck Yeah, a community engagement arcade
  - A Winter Reading Program with the Colorado Eagles Hockey Team
  - An Author Showcase featuring 50 local writers.
- Another important outreach is cooperation with the Thompson School District. All school supply lists included a public library card. There are discussions on how to coordinate school registration with library card applications for the 2016-17 school year. Digital library cards were created for students at two local private schools so students could access library databases and electronic resources.
- Several new electronic resources were added in 2015. The largest, Hoopla, provides access to movies, television shows, music albums, and audiobooks that can be borrowed for instant streaming or temporary downloading to smartphones, tablets, and computers.
- Professional development for library staff was another important goal in the strategic plan. The Library Board approved closing the library one Friday in August for a Staff Tech Training Day.

## 2015 Accomplishments

1. Continued 2013 flood restoration and service recovery efforts by completing a water transmission main replacement, two river crossing projects, a lift station sanitary sewer force main project as well as the large rebuild/restoration of electric infrastructure.
2. Completed Home Supply Big Dam rehabilitation including dam structure upgrades and repairs to the City's and the Home Supply's' individual diversion structures. In addition a viewing and display area for dedication plaques will be built this spring, 2016, to bring full completion to the project.
3. Evaluated and recommend Wastewater Treatment Plant improvements to accommodate nutrient changes and future growth using cutting edge technology, including a nutrient removal State review and conceptual designs of a new digester tank and a control building.
4. Completed a Water and Wastewater Cost-of-Service Rate Study that was adopted by City Council in October, 2015.
5. Supported Planning's Comprehensive Plan Update and Master Plans for development along Highway 287, Highway 402 and downtown revitalization efforts.
6. Further developed the Asset Management Program for LWP by developing risk mitigation plans that include actions such as creating and revising standard operating procedures and implementing preventative maintenance work orders.
7. Completed the FEMA Alternate Project resubmittal to the State and FEMA and gained approval of the scope change, approved a solar developer contract, gained support by presenting at Construction Advisory Board, City Council, Preliminary and Special Review public meetings and several Home Owners Association meetings.
8. Supported City Council's direction on a broadband fiber network by making presentations to possible stakeholder groups and supporting the public's vote in favor of overriding SB-152.
9. Construction is at 70% completion at the Water Treatment Plant which will increase capacity, efficiencies and the safety of operations.
10. Improved the quality control and reliability significantly at the Water Treatment Plant through risk mitigation investigations and improvements.
11. Initiated risk mitigation and wastewater infrastructure improvements as a result of the 2014 Wastewater Treatment Plant influent sewer line collapse.

## 2016 Goals

1. Complete a Power Cost-of-Service Rate Study which will include a rate analysis of each customer class and current rates as well as explore new renewable rate concepts.
2. Evaluate options to find the best level of participation and funding strategy for the Windy Gap Firming Project.
3. Support the completion of the FEMA Alternate Project by installing the Foothills solar facility by December 30, 2016 to take advantage of the 3x State credit, start the construction and the bidding process for equipment at the Foothills substation with the goal of completing the entire project by September 2017.
4. Complete reliability, safety, and capacity capital improvements at Water Treatment Plant.
5. Begin design of regulatory, reliability, and capacity capital improvements at Wastewater Treatment Plant.
6. Redefine the Key Accounts Program by analyzing customer utility billing data, determining appropriate metrics that qualify businesses as a Key Account and justify a tiered approach for which services are offered to Key Accounts.
7. Update the 2012 Raw Water Master Plan to address current and anticipated trends and concerns.
8. Continue to support a city wide Priority Based Budgeting approach which City Council will use to make future decisions on services and programs offered by the City.
9. Continue to further develop the Asset Management Program for LWP with a focus on critical infrastructure.
10. Continue to provide support of a city wide broadband initiative through staff representation on the Broadband Project Team in conjunction with representatives from Information Technology, the City Manager's Office, the Public Information Office, Finance and the City Attorney's Office.
11. Participate in the discussion with the four cities and PRPA to explore the feasibility, the best location, and the best implementation practices on how to deploy a community solar garden program which would provide our customers with another renewable energy option.
12. Develop a Loveland Water & Power Strategic Plan which will include discussion on a community vision, the City's mission, LWP's mission and the departments strategic focus areas which may include public health and safety, connectedness, public infrastructure, innovation and legacy, excellent service, honor the public trust and high performance while integrating information technology through all strategic initiatives.
13. Assist in the development of PRPA's Integrated Resource Plan which will be adopted by Western Area Power Administration in 2017 and will encompass resource planning, demand side management program results, the direction on demand response, and the future of energy efficiency goals along with the evolution of the EPA's Clean Power Plan.



## 2015 Accomplishments:

### 1) Completed permanent repairs and fully opened River's Edge Natural Area for public access

River's Edge opened for full public access on September 28, 2015. Permanent repairs from 2013 flood damage included the relocation of the parking lot, flood hazard mitigation, reconstruction of trails and pond access points, and wetland restoration. Funding was provided by FEMA and GOCO flood recovery grants and insurance reimbursements.

### 2) Acquisition of 7 Properties (315 acres) for Open Lands Purposes:

- River's Edge Additions (2 properties, 9 acres; River's Edge now totals 162 acres)
- Namaqua Skyline Natural Area (156 acres)
- Oxbow Natural Area (12 acres)
- Boedecker West (25 acres)
- Loveland-Fort Collins Separator Partnership (113 acres, 50 shares CBT water)

### 3) Site Development for Public Access:

- Mariana Butte Trail
- Initiated access projects at Oxbow, Old St. Louis and Kings Crossing Natural Areas

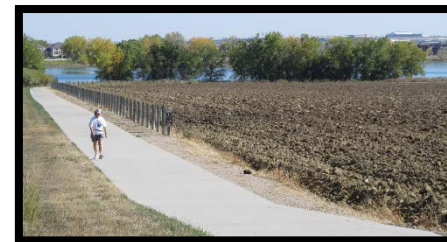
### 4) Growth in Public Outreach and Environmental Education:

- Significant growth in Trail Hosts & Environmental Education volunteers and training
- New Preschool Env. Ed. Programs (PEEPs)
- New program offerings for school groups and the public



## 2016 Goals:

- Complete quick-win projects and open sites for public access.
- Complete management plans for Sunset Vista and Namaqua Skyline natural areas.
- Update the Management Plan for Morey Wildlife Reserve, incorporating flood recovery and mitigation measures, public access options, and the adjacent Ward Trust Property and other future acquisitions nearby.
- Preserve property by fee simple or conservation easements to provide connectivity to existing open lands, address fragmentation of wildlife habitat, and balance resource protection and public access on city open lands.
- Maximize public benefit from the open space sales tax, capital expansion fees and general funds, as well as grant and partnership funding sources.
- Increase public outreach, environmental education programming, and volunteer opportunities.

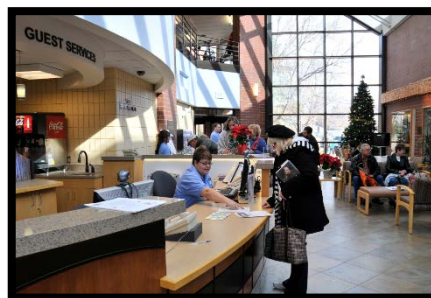


## Accomplishments for 2015:

- Worked closely with staff on the Recreation Facilities Feasibility Study to evaluate the nature, scale, and economics of constructing new recreation facilities in the community.
- Participated in the analysis of CEF plans based fee methods with staff and consultants BBC Research Consulting representatives.
- Provided valuable input and support in the successful opening of Mehaffey Park.
- Contributed input into the concept plan review for Viestenz-Smith Mountain Park.
- Reviewed the listing of low and moderate income discount programs
- Approved the North Lake Sculpture Garden Master Plan in accordance with the agreement between the City of Loveland and the Loveland High Plains Arts Council.
- Participated in review and analysis of the 2016 department budget process and 10-year Capital Plan.
- Transitioned into a new staff liaison, Director Elizabeth Anderson.

## Goals for 2016:

- Complete review of applications and recommended funding for \$10,000 to local self-directed athletic groups as a part of the annual Parks and Recreation Commission managed Youth Athletic Grant Program.
- Continue to advocate on behalf of a new recreation center, as supported in the 2015 Recreation Facilities and Feasibility Study and the 2014 Parks and Recreation Master Plan.
- Systematically evaluate quality of Parks and Recreation programs and services.
- Provide valuable input on park features and design for a new neighborhood park in the southeast (NP-2) part of the City, which supports identification in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.
- Support the acquisition and development of “missing links” in the completion of the City’s recreation trail loop and continued regional connectivity.
- Participation in review and analysis of the 2017 department budget process and 10-year Capital Plan.





## 2015 Planning Commission Accomplishments

- 287 Strategic Plan: The Commission provided guidance to the project team in a series of study sessions, ensuring that the Plan represented the positive attributes of this corridor and contained clear implementation priorities; the Plan was adopted by City Council in December of 2015.
- Create Loveland: The Commission participated in the development of the plan as participants on committees as the primary review body guiding the Plan's development. The Commission reviewed the Plan in a series of study sessions, guiding staff in preparing the Plan for adoption in early 2016.
- Thompson Schools / High Plains K-8 Project: The Commission worked closely with staff and School District representatives to complete the review of the High Plains School. In addition, the Commission provided direction in re-establishing a positive relationship with District representatives. This strengthened relationship will serve a catalyst for a positive relationship between the School District and the City of Loveland.



## 2016 Planning Commission Goals

- Zoning Code Update: Provide guidance in the development of zoning code amendments that reflect Loveland values and facilitate desired residential and commercial development. In 2016 the Planning office will be selecting a consultant to assist in the preparation of amendments to various portions of the zoning code. With guidance from staff and the Title 18 Committee, proposed amendments to the code will be brought to the Planning Commission for review in a series of study sessions followed by public hearings.
- Create Loveland: Conduct a public hearing and recommend approval to the City Council of the updated Comprehensive Plan. Monitor plan implementation following plan adoption. Throughout 2015, the Commission was very involved in the development of Create Loveland. Commissioners served on the Advisory Committee and participated in several outreach efforts. The Commission also held several study sessions on the Plan. The Plan has been scheduled for public hearing based on final comments/direction from the Commission. The next step is for the Commission to recommend adoption to the City Council.
- Development Center: Guide and support staff in promoting and operating the new facility. The Planning and Building Divisions will be relocating to the new development center by the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2016. The Planning Commission is in position to guide staff in the centers' operations and to promote the new facility to customers and the broader community.
- Downtown Revitalization: Monitor and remain active in downtown planning and development initiatives.
  - Schedule regular staff briefings with the Commission
  - Participate on committees and in workshops
  - Monitor progress made by the Downtown Development Authority & the Loveland Downtown Team
- Quarterly Events/Informational Sessions: The Commission will work with staff to conduct regular informational sessions and other events that expand knowledge of the planning and development process, including innovations that are applicable to Loveland. Activities will include: A field trip to Loveland's water treatment facilities, a field trip to review and assess completed projects for compliance with the approval granted by the Commission, at least one update on downtown efforts by the DDA and the Loveland Downtown Team and at least one presentation by an expert on innovations in the planning field.
- 402 Corridor Planning: Beginning with a joint study session with the Larimer County Planning Commission on February 10<sup>th</sup>, monitor progress and provide input to staff on Hwy. 402 corridor planning efforts.
- 287 Plan Implementation: Obtain regular updates on implementation efforts, ensuring that adequate resources and attention is given to corridor revitalization.
- Improved Communications: During the second half of 2015, staff has been providing an expanded format of information on the Commission meeting agendas. Information has included upcoming Commission agenda items, Committee reports, briefings on relevant City Council matters and other City government information pertinent to the Commissions' activities. In 2016, the Commission will guide staff to ensure that a consistent flow of pertinent information is provided to the Commission.



## 2015 Accomplishments

- ✓ Active participation in Partnership for Age-Friendly Community Initiatives:
  - Spring Summit Support
  - Senior-Directed Volunteer Teams
  - Loveland Walkability Audit

*PFAC is a technical grant project charged with making Larimer County a great place to grow-up and grow old in the United States. We are one of five communities nationwide who received this grant.*

- ✓ Co-hosted with City of Fort Collins Senior Advisory Board and Larimer County Office on Aging Advisory Board a *senior service provider* networking event called Bridging the Gap with over 200 participants. Boosting collaboration in Larimer County.

We must be aware of what resources we have in order to manage the needs of our citizens.
- ✓ Enjoyed sharing our dreams for Loveland's future in the draft master plan with the Create Loveland team.
- ✓ Shared our passion with council at a study session in support of the concept "a great place to grow-up and grow old."
- ✓ Harvested more information from other Senior Advisory Boards around the country with the intent to share best practices.



## Overview of 2015 Objectives and Results

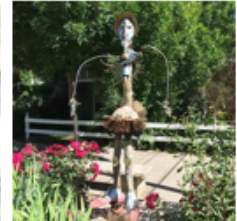
- 1. Identify and contribute to outlining the regional transportation needs of the Loveland Community and the region.**
  - Several meetings on the Public Works Strategic Plan, including capital 10 year plan, funding, safety, and innovation and legacy
  - Briefing by the NFRMPO on the regional 2040 Transportation Plan
  - Attended Regional Transportation Summit, with focus on I-25 funding issues
- 2. Monitor progress against the current transportation system plan within the community**
  - Followed several projects including RR Avenue, Madison Bridge, Boise extension, and Highway 34 Flood Damage repairs
  - Briefing on all 2015 capital projects and planned 2016 including pavement program
- 3. Evaluate and investigate the costs and potential impacts associated with the various modes of surface transportation.**
  - Responded to the City Council on recommended budget cuts if sales tax revenue fell due to grocery tax elimination
  - Reviewed the annual transportation budget
  - Briefed on the I-25 Coalition and the Highway 34 coalition funding studies
- 4. Review and amend the freight rail plan section of the Transportation Master Plan.**
  - Discussion of train noise issues
  - Inclusion of safety in Public Works Strategic Plan
- 5. Describe and implement those aspects of a Congestion Management System that affect Loveland.**
  - Discussed traffic flow and monitoring with innovation and legacy impacts
  - Briefing by the Regional Air Quality Council on new ozone standard
- 6. Review and amend the current public transit system to ensure they meet the needs of the community**
  - Discussed existing COLT system – Council review postponed
- 7. Create and adopt a Bike and Pedestrian Component to the Transportation Master Plan**
  - Several members Participated in the AARP Walkability Study
- 8. Review and recommend strategies identified through the public input process.**
  - Board members and visitors raised various local items, such as painting on crosswalks, busy intersections, etc. Referred to staff for follow up.
  - Briefed on snow removal process in response to public concerns.



# Visual Arts Commission



Four new sculptures were dedicated in Benson Sculpture Garden in July of 2015

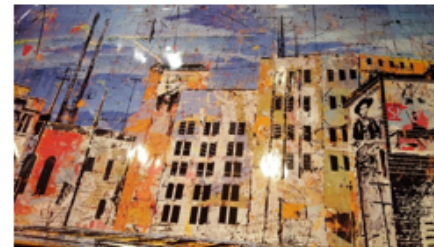


Art in Public Places celebrated 30 years in November of 2015. In 1985 the city of Loveland passed ordinances that established Loveland as a model of public art in Colorado.

Artwork by Robert Tully was dedicated in Mehaffey Park in August of 2015.



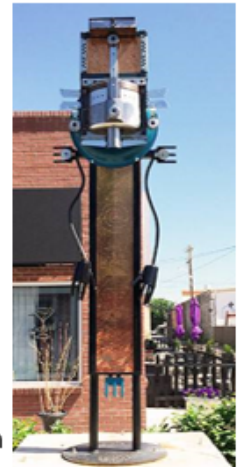
Six new Transformer Boxes were added to the collection.

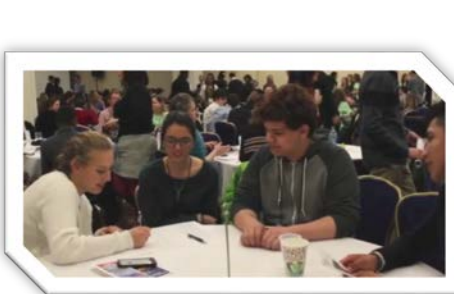


Artwork for the new Development Center was selected by committee in December 2015. The mural will be installed in March 2016



The Art Advocacy Project (TAAP) placed 6 pieces in downtown Loveland, allowing artists to showcase their work in Downtown Loveland.





## 2015 Accomplishments

- **Annual Recruitment Meeting:** Interviewed over 50 applicants for 8 positions.
- **Attended outside meetings:** YAC continued their self-imposed requirement to attend at least one City Council meeting and one other community meeting per term. Over half of the commission completed this requirement.
- **Volunteer Opportunities/Service Learning:** Colorado Children's Day, Halloween Family Fun Festival, Grand Families Project, Mentor Program, and other volunteer opportunities.
- **Fundraising Opportunities:** Through various projects, money was raised to send teens to DC for the NLC.
- **YAC Appointments to other committees:** 1 YAC representative serves as adhoc member for Citizen's Finance Commission (since 2010)
- **Partnerships with outside organizations:** Working with Summit Stone Health Partners on the Grand Families Project and TobaccNO Coalition.
- **Presented to City Council:** Shared what the group learned at the 2015 National League of Cities Conference with City Council.

## 2015-2016 Goals

- **Link youth to City Council and Government:** Attend annual Boards and Commissions Summit; Attend at least one City Council per term; Attend other Loveland Board or Commission and/or or a Thompson School District Board meetings per term; Communicate with Council Liaison.
- **Provide Learning Opportunities for Peers:** Encourage and educate peers on volunteer opportunities, safe youth activities and leadership opportunities in the Loveland community.
- **Service Learning:** Volunteer at local events, charity functions and more; Provide commissioners with a deeper connection with their local community.
- **Program Development:** Partnering with Grand Families to provide programming for children being raised by grandparents, Collaborate with Fort Collins YAC on a service project for the County, Working with TobacNO of Larimer County to update smoking policies for the City of Loveland
- **Attendance:** Ensure attendance and provide a quorum at every scheduled YAC meeting.
- **Fundraise:** Raise funds to help YAC send commissioners to networking retreats such as CML, NLC and the CPRA Youth Summit.
- **Opportunities to Travel and Learn:** Continue to send members to conferences such as the CPRA Youth Summit, Colorado Municipal League annual conference and National League of Cities conferences, as well as other educational and leadership-forming opportunities when possible.
- **Recruitment:** Since YAC has a different dynamic than other boards and commissions (graduating seniors each year) YAC members will be responsible for a recruitment drive in April of each year to find replacement members to fill the empty slots.

## NOTES