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Lafayette City Council sets 2014-2015 Goals

LAFAYETTE, Colo March 5, 2014 – On February 4 the Lafayette City Council participated in a bi-annual goal setting session to discuss an extensive list of potential goals for 2014 and 2015. This exercise allows Council the opportunity to prioritize the projects they deem most important and provide cohesive implementation direction for staff. The following goals and objectives were approved at the March 4 City Council meeting.

"We are excited to add some dynamic new initiatives to our slate this year revolving around increased energy sustainability, historic preservation, capital campaigns and economic development," said Mayor Christine Berg. "By prioritizing the City's most pressing opportunities we will be able to accomplish some very crucial and worthwhile projects."

The broad Planning goal to "Develop new, and review ongoing, major planning initiatives" will be addressed through the following action objectives;

- Develop a new energy sustainability plan with emphasis on the private sector
- Discuss the Historical Preservation Board's recommendations to reduce demolition by neglect
- Update the Water Master Plan
- Investigate funding strategies for State Highway 7 improvements
- Study the concept of a satellite library

The broad Economic Development goal to "Recruit and encourage new economic activity to increase sales tax revenue and the number of jobs in the community" will be addressed through the following action objectives;

- Manage a development plan for the southwest corner of Highway 287 and Arapahoe Road
- Encourage new businesses to locate in Lafayette and encourage the expansion of existing businesses
- Support the Lafayette Urban Renewal Authority Downtown Vision Plan

The broad Communications/Outreach goal to "Continue communication channels and outreach programs with other government entities and the Lafayette community" will be addressed through the following action objectives;

- Schedule meetings with other governmental entities
- Review qualifications for serving on a City board and conduct a meeting with all City boards
- Support Lafayette's Quasquicentennial (125 year) observance

The broad Finance goal to “Review long term planning of capital improvement project funding” will be addressed through the following action objectives;

- Update the Capital Improvement Plan to include a Community Center and Mary Miller Theater upgrades
- Prepare a forecast including revenues that support City services and programs
- Review opportunities to secure grants to supplement city programs and services
- Review Capital Improvement Plan for Indian Peaks Golf Course

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