

Summary of 2017 GO Bond Sub Committee Meeting

At the last NWCAC is was agreed that a Sub Committee would be formed to begin looking at options for community input on the upcoming 2017 bond issue. Attached is a description from the Department of Finance of the 2017 General Obligation Bond, together with a letter from the Mayor regarding the 6 year work plan, which will cultivate into a voter approved bond issue in 2017. Elevate 2020 was a 6 year capital improvement plan which list potential projects for the bond issue.

From the Elevate 2020 document, the committee has looked at several projects, which have been included in the study. The list here is not exhaustive of potential GES projects. In addition to other projects in the Elevate study, we have made suggestions for additional projects which we feel should be included. We have also commented or made suggestions with regard to the attached projects from Elevate, which are included herein. We have listed the page in the Elevate study, which you can obtain online.

- **Globeville, Elyria, Swansea Recreation Center: \$15m, page 47.**

GLOBEVILLE ELYRIA-SWANSEA RECREATION CENTER

BUILDING—BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

- Department/Agency Sponsor: Parks/NDCC ⁰⁵⁰
- Estimated 2015– 2020 Funds Needed: **\$15 million**
- Council District 9



DESCRIPTION

A Globeville Elyria and Swansea Recreation Center will complement existing recreation centers in the neighborhoods and provide additional recreational programming emphasizing health and wellness programs. The location and size of the facility will be suited to the needs of the community and provide programs not offered in existing recreation centers.

ANTICIPATED OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

- Increased building maintenance
- Increased utility costs
- Additional capital equipment
- Increased staffing

There is a long term need for a major regional facility to serve the neighborhoods of Elyria, Swansea, and Globeville. This would be in addition to recreation centers at Stapleton and Elyria, Swansea. The existing Globeville recreation center and park provides a minimal facility with a compromised pool and playground area. A major facility similar to the Colfax and York facility. The new recreation center may also serve as a climate controlled venue for indoor sports including soccer, tennis and a year round recreational program. It should include a full spectrum of fitness facilities, educational areas, provide a place for larger meetings, small concerts and food and childcare facilities. No such facility has been provided for this area and it is anticipated that the Elyria, Swansea, Globeville area with a new Fox Street Station at North Line Station that there will be significant population growth and the need for these facilities will grow exponentially. This center could be combined with the National Western Agricultural and Industry epicenter. Thousands of new workers could utilize this facility and it would have a major impact on the quality of life and growth of the area. This would be located in Northside Park and could include equestrian facilities and trails in conjunction with Colorado State University.

Swansea Recreation Center Enhancements: \$10m, page 52.

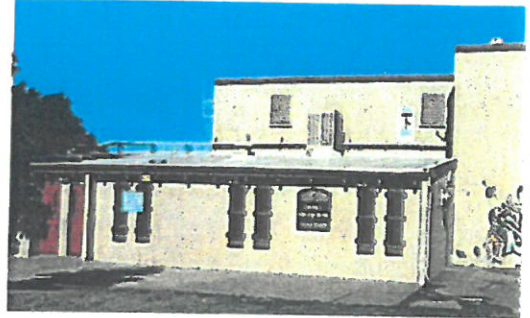
SWANSEA RECREATION CENTER ENHANCEMENTS

BUILDING—BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

- Department/Agency Sponsor: Parks and Recreation
- Estimated 2015– 2020 Funds Needed: **\$10 million**
- Council Districts 8,9

DESCRIPTION

The Swansea Recreation Center is located at 2650 E. 49th Avenue and serves the Elyria and Swansea neighborhood. The recreation center is in need of enhancements and improvements to modernize the space, provide increased recreational programming, and replace building systems that have reached the end of their useful life.



ANTICIPATED OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

- Decreased building maintenance
- Decreased utility costs
- Additional capital equipment
- Increased staffing
- Increased revenue from rec center memberships

Washington Street Reconstruction: \$2m for 47th to 52nd Street, page 55.

WASHINGTON STREET—47TH TO 52ND RECONSTRUCTION

DESCRIPTION

This project consists of the reconstruction of Washington Street from 47th to 52nd including rail road crossing reconstruction at 48th and associated land acquisitions. The Globeville Neighborhood Plan identifies Washington Street as a Transformative Project, stating that the goal is to make Washington Street an attractive corridor that creates a positive sense of place, attracts private reinvestment, and better accommodates all transportation modes. The project will include full utility curb and gutter, sidewalks, crosswalks and multi-modal roadway reconstruction.

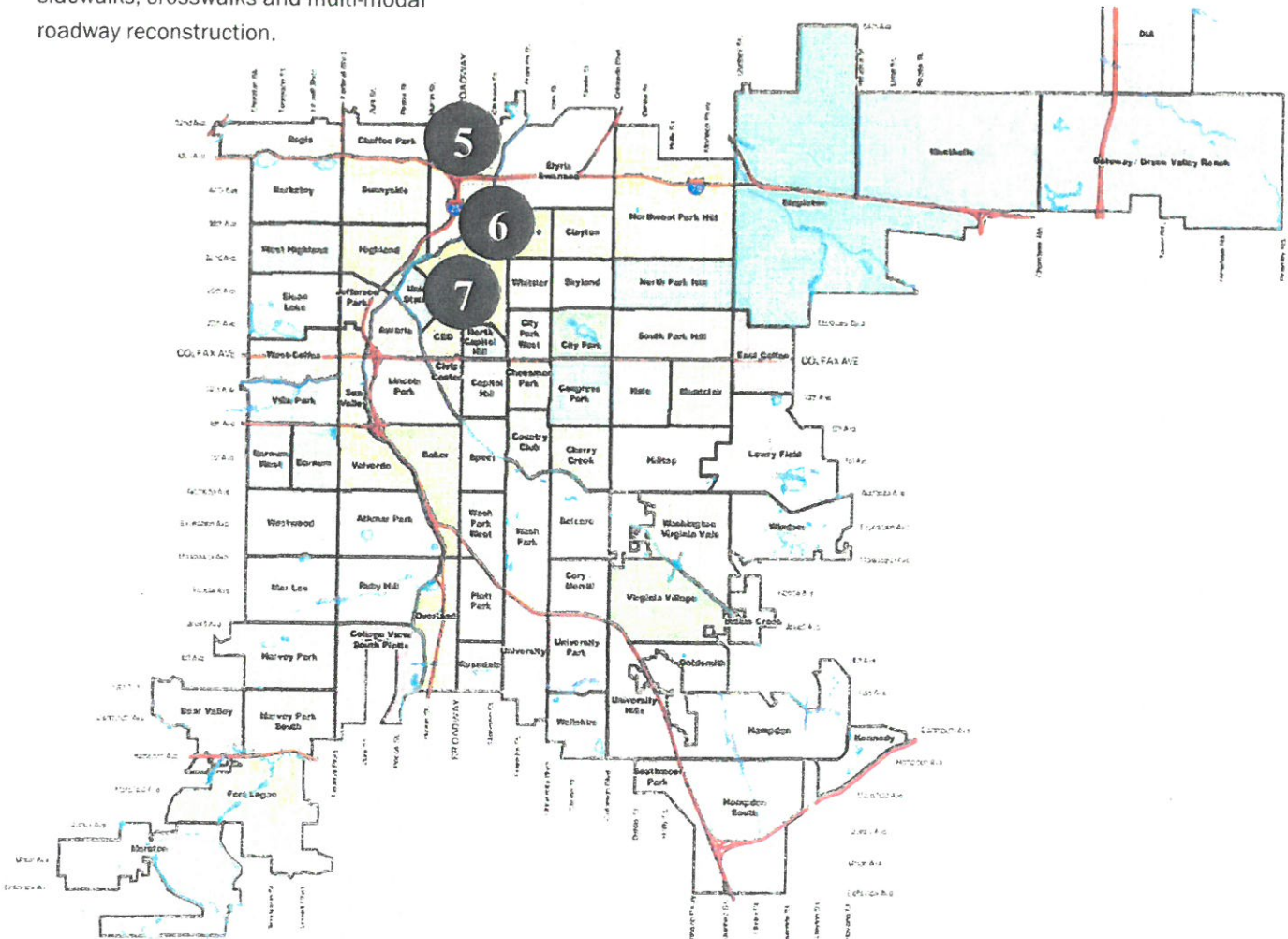
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ROADS—BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

- Department/Agency Sponsor: North Denver Cornerstone Collaborative
- Estimated 2015– 2020 Funds Needed: **\$2.0 million**
- Council District 9

ANTICIPATED OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

- Decreased short-term maintenance costs (street paving)
- Aids increased sales and property tax from anticipated development
- Improved pedestrian access and safety

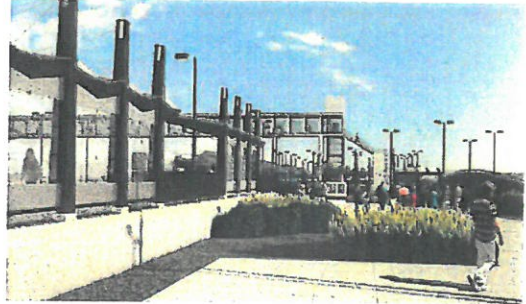


38th & Blake Signalization and Multi Modal Improvements: \$8m, page 58.

38TH AND BLAKE SIGNALIZATION AND MULTI-MODAL IMPROVEMENTS

TRANSIT—BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

- Department/Agency Sponsor: Public Works
- Estimated 2015– 2020 Funds Needed: **\$8 million**
- Council District 9



DESCRIPTION

The Public Infrastructure (38th & Blake Station) transit oriented development project invests in infrastructure improvements to provide better pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular access to the Regional Transportation District's future 38th & Blake rail station that is being built as part of its FasTracks program. The project will construct thousands of feet of new sidewalks immediately surrounding the station and define a plan for improving the existing Blake Street Bridge over 38th Street, which has been identified by the City and local community as a priority for improving accessibility to the station. This project also includes signal improvements supporting access to the 38th and Blake Station.

ANTICIPATED OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

- Aids increased sales and property tax revenue from anticipated redevelopment
- Decreased short-term maintenance costs

GES Pedestrian Connectivity Improvements: \$16.9m, page 61.

GLOBEVILLE ELYRIA-SWANSEA PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIVITY IMPROVEMENTS

TRANSIT—BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

- Department/Agency Sponsor: Public Works
- Estimated 2015– 2020 Funds Needed: **\$16.9 million**
- Council District 9



DESCRIPTION

This project consists of various connectivity improvements that will provide for safe, multi-modal, and sustainable connections within the Globeville, Elyria and Swansea neighborhoods. Connectivity improvements include additional street infrastructure such as curb and gutter, sidewalks, crosswalks and supporting storm drainage as well as bicycle facilities, and improved bicycle and pedestrian connections. These improvements will allow for access to rail transit stations, build a connected street network, and facilitate walkable and bikeable neighborhoods.

ANTICIPATED OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

- Increased long-term maintenance costs
- Decreased short-term maintenance costs

47th and York Bridge: \$4.5m, page 64.



47TH AND YORK—BIKE PED BRIDGE

BRIDGE—BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

- Department/Agency Sponsor: Public Works
- Estimated 2015 – 2020 Funds Needed: **\$4.5 million**
- Council District 9

DESCRIPTION

This project is to construct a bicycle/pedestrian bridge over the 47th & York intersection and the Union Pacific Railroad railroad tracks. The bridge is needed to address long-standing pedestrian and bicycle safety issues across the railroad tracks. The bridge structure would likely include an elevator and ramps for ADA-compliance and ease of use. It is anticipated that this project will be completed via transportation grant funding.

ANTICIPATED OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

- Increased long-term maintenance cost
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I-70 Swansea Cover: \$TBD, page 65.

I-70 SWANSEA COVER CONNECTIVITY/AMENITIES I-70 MONTCLAIR BASIN AMENITIES

TRANSIT—BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

- Department/Agency Sponsor: Public Works
- Estimated 2015— 2020 Funds Needed: **TBD**
- Council District 9



DESCRIPTION

The Colorado Department of Transportation is proposing to lower a portion of I-70 near Brighton Boulevard known as the I-70 Partially Covered Lowering (PCL). As part of the project, CDOT proposes to build a 100-year storm pipe system that protects the depressed section of highway from stormwater flows. The City is currently pursuing an open channel option as the recommended combined drainage system from Montclair and Park Hill drainage basin. The open channel meets a number of goals including improved water quality through the use of green infrastructure, increased multi-modal transportation options, and enhanced redevelopment opportunities. Connectivity and place making enhancements are needed to support the PCL as well as the open channel.

ANTICIPATED OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

- Aids increased sales and property tax revenue from anticipated redevelopment
- Decreased short-term maintenance costs

Elyria Swansea Neighborhood Parks Improvement: \$1.5m, page 70.

ELYRIA-SWANSEA NEIGHBORHOOD PARK IMPROVEMENTS

PARKS—BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

- Department/Agency Sponsor: Parks and Recreation
- Estimated 2015— 2020 Funds Needed: **\$1.5 million**
- Council District 9



DESCRIPTION

In 2015, the City completed the Elyria and Swansea Neighborhoods Plan which identifies a vision and various capital improvements for the Elyria and Swansea neighborhoods. During the planning process, improvements were identified for Swansea Park, Elyria Park, and Dunham Park. Improvements include improved lighting to enhance safety, additional access and circulation, playground and equipment replacement, construction of shade structures, and rehabilitation of recreational areas. Both Elyria Park and Swansea Park are adjacent to recreational centers thus resulting in the parks being utilized in conjunction with the recreation centers. Improvements and enhanced features will provide greater opportunities to make the Elyria and Swansea neighborhood parks a neighborhood focal point and activity space.

ANTICIPATED OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

- Decreased short-term capital maintenance costs
- Increased long-term capital maintenance costs
- Increased operating costs

Urban Greenway Corridor North: \$5.5m, page 71.

URBAN GREENWAY CORRIDOR NORTH (RIVER NORTH) TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS

PARKS—BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

- Department/Agency Sponsor: Parks and Recreation
- Estimated 2015 – 2020 Funds Needed: **\$5.5 million**
- Council District 9



DESCRIPTION

The City and the Greenway Foundation have led a multi-disciplinary group to develop the River Vision Implementation Plan, which includes detailed recommendations for development of the Urban Corridor Greenway North (River North). The River North Platte district is defined as the river reach from W. 20th Ave. to the city's northern boundary, which contains an underutilized existing trail and opportunity for redevelopment on adjacent parcels of land. Improvements to this area would include construction of a widened bike route, adjacent pedestrian path (wherever possible), new public gathering spaces, a pedestrian bridge and restoration/stabilization of the river bank.

ANTICIPATED OPERATIONAL IMPACTS

- Increased maintenance costs with development of a new trail and riverfront public amenities.

The trail should connect the riverfront areas or parks from 20th to the city's northern boundary with riverfront trails being lit and playgrounds and a variety of park areas and rest areas in route. Pedestrian bridge connecting RiNo and Globeville would be critical. Of particular importance is access to the riverfront trail from 45th, which should provide clear access and not require an unclear trail between McDonald's and the service station. The trails should have lighting.

Other projects not included in the Elevate 2020 Study but contemplated:

- **Platte River Flood Mitigation**
- **Northside Park**
- **Heron Pond**
- **Church Project (across from Garden Place Academy)**

OTHER PROJECTS CONTEMPLATED BUT NOT INCLUDED IN THE ELEVATE 2020 STUDY:

- **PLATTE RIVER FLOOD MITIGATION. IMPROVEMENTS MUST BE MADE TO TAKE GLOBEVILLE OUT OF THE FLOOD PLAIN AND PROTECT THE AREA FROM FLOODING.**
- **NORTHSIDE PARK. IMPROVEMENTS MUSTT BE MADE TO NORTHSIDE PARK SUCH AS PLAYGROUNDS.**
- **HERON POND. MUST BE CLEANED AND FREE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS.**
- **COMMUNITY CHURCH PROJECT (ACROSS FROM GARDEN PLACE ACADEMY), 4400 LINCOLN STREET. FUNDS SHOUD BE SET ASIDE TO RENOVATE THE FACILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMMUNITY DESIRES.**

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Denver 2017 GO Bond

Periodically, the City and County of Denver authorizes General Obligation (GO) Bonds to restore, replace, and expand infrastructure and capital assets across the city. The last General Obligation bond, known as the Better Denver Bond Program, was in 2007 and allowed Denver to improve, preserve, renovate and build new roads, libraries, parks, city offices, and other facilities related to health and human services, public safety and culture. You can read more about the 2007 GO Bond here (<https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/better-denver-bond-program.html>).

Denver will present the next general obligation bond (GO Bond) authorization to voters in November 2017. The foundation for the 2017 GO Bond is based on *Elevate 2020* (https://www.denvergov.org/static/documents/344/2013-2018_CIP_6Year_Plan.pdf), the 2015-2020 Six Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The CIP identifies Denver's major city asset rehabilitation needs and new investment opportunities in capital infrastructure. Projects that the GO Bond can pay for must be city-owned and operated assets.

Initial public meetings regarding the city's 2017 bond process will be in November and December 2016 and are intended to gather residents' desired areas of focus for capital investment. The information gathered during the initial public input phase will help identify a package of proposals that will be submitted to City Council for referral to the November 2017 ballot. Read the press release from Mayor Hancock announcing the community meetings here (</content/denvergov/en/mayors-office/newsroom/2016/city-seeks-resident-input-on-short-and-long-term-infrastructure.html>).

Community meetings co-hosted with Denver City Council members:

- **Tuesday, November 15**, 6-7:30 p.m.: Montbello Campus, 5000 Crown Blvd (<https://www.google.com/maps/place/5000+Crown+Blvd,+Denver,+CO+80239/@39.7867037,-104.8303835,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m5!3m4!1s0x876c64c45f43b4df:0x9c0e0c61e104.8281948>).
- **Thursday, November 17**, 6-7:30 p.m.: Teller Elementary School, 1150 Garfield St. (https://www.google.com/maps?q=1150+Garfield+St,+Denver,+CO+80206&um=1&ie=UTF-8&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwjKnYra2NjPAhWBRsYKHe3IA_oQ_AUICcgB).
- **Tuesday, November 29**, 6-7:30 p.m.: Corky Gonzales Library, 1498 Irving St (https://www.google.com/maps?q=1498+Irving+St,+Denver,+CO+80204&bav=on.2,or_r_cp.&bvm=bv.135475266,d.eWE&biw=1920&bih=935&um=1&ie=UTF-8&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwiK5L7S2NjPAhWGTSYKHQ7yBNIQ_AUIBigB).
- **Thursday, December 1**, 6-7:30 p.m.: Lincoln High School, 2285 S. Federal Blvd. (<https://www.google.com/search?q=2285+S+Federal+Blvd%2C+Denver%2C+CO+80219&oq=2285+S+Federal+Blvd%2C+Denver%2C+CO+80219&aqs=chrome..69l57j0.470j0j4&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8>).
- **Tuesday, December 6**, 6-7:30 p.m.: Bruce Randolph School, 3955 Steele St. (https://www.google.com/maps?espv=2&q=3955+Steele+St,+Denver,+CO+80205&bav=on.2,or_r_cp.&biw=1920&bih=935&dpr=1&ion=1&um=1&ie=UTF-8&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwiDybDD2NjPAhXNdSYKHWB_C3oQ_AUIBigB).
- **Thursday, December 8**, 6-7:30 p.m.: South High School, 1700 E. Louisiana Ave. (<https://www.google.com/maps/place/1700+E+Louisiana+Ave,+Denver,+CO+80210/@39.6919063,-104.968312,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m5!3m4!1s0x876c7e5ce8522b3f:0x20de57104.9661233>).

In addition to the community meetings, residents can submit their ideas using comment cards that will be located at Denver Public Libraries and recreation centers across the city until December 21, 2016. Residents can also submit questions and comments at any time during the yearlong process by emailing 2017GOBond@denvergov.org (<mailto:2017GOBond@denvergov.org>).

Please continue to visit this webpage for updates.

2017 GO Bond Timeline

- Fall 2016 +
- Winter 2016 +
- Spring 2017 +
- Summer 2017 +

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Frequently Asked Questions

- What is a general obligation bond? +

- When will Denver's next general obligation bond be? +
- How much will the 2017 GO bond be for? +
- How can I or my organization participate in the bond? +
- What if I have a question or comment about the 2017 GO bond? +
- What is eligible for funding? +
- How was the Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan developed? +
- How will Denverlight be coordinated with the 2017 GO Bond process? +

Contact
Email questions and comments to: 2017GOBond@denvergov.org (mailto:2017GOBond@denvergov.org)



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LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Residents of Denver:

I am proud to present to you *2020 Elevate Denver*, the City and County of Denver 2015-2020 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan. The Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan is a commitment to improving and maintaining Denver's unparalleled facilities, parks and roads.

Our city charter mandates a six-year capital planning process. City agencies identify initiatives or objectives to be accomplished within six years and list priority projects which support those objectives. The 2015-2020 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan provides an overview of Denver's Capital Improvement Program (CIP), including annual revenue sources, program structure and details regarding the annual CIP process.

The Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan includes projects that continue major rehabilitation of city assets and new investments in capital infrastructure. The city continues to be committed to the ongoing maintenance and repair of capital assets, recognizing the critical value of civic infrastructure to the economic, aesthetic and functional viability of the city. Every neighborhood in Denver is a unique and special place, and over the past couple of years, we have made intentional capital investments in neighborhoods to enhance pedestrian safety, improve multi-modal connections, rehabilitate park assets and address deferred Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan capital needs.

The 2015-2020 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan presents a "Six-Year Work Plan" and a "Six-to-Twelve Year Work Plan" which document prioritized building, transportation and park needs. Both Work Plans facilitate capital programming, builds the foundation for future general obligation bond initiatives, and creates institutional knowledge of capital needs that cannot be accomplished solely with annual capital revenue. The capital projects featured in both Work Plans focus upon the following common themes and goals:

Multi-modal mobility by providing infrastructure that supports drivers, bikes, pedestrians, and transit.

Community and economic development that plans for future growth and positively impacts Denver's economy.

Recreation and cultural opportunities

Public safety and health through the enhancement of safety and active lifestyles.

Modernization of assets by prioritizing the upgrade and rehabilitation of existing assets.

Environmental sustainability to meet climate resiliency, air quality and water quality goals.

In closing, I respectfully submit the 2015-2020 Capital Improvement Plan to the residents of the City and County of Denver. Denver will continue to invest in capital infrastructure in order to *Elevate Denver* as a vibrant and active world-class city where everyone matters.

Respectfully,



Michael B. Hancock
Mayor