**Colorado City Happenings**

**August 2025**

**Bringing County Services to Colorado City**

Discussions and new lines of communication between Pueblo County Government and Colorado City Metro have begun to show new results.

In an initiative spearheaded by County Commissioner Miles Lucero and CCMD Director Karim Ayoub, discussions are underway to establish an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) that would allow the District and the County to rent the VFC Community Center and bring County services directly to the Greenhorn Valley community. The Colorado City Metro District Board of Directors voted unanimously to support this effort, recognizing the value of providing residents with convenient local access to important services without requiring travel into Pueblo. While still in the preliminary stages, conversations have already taken place with several County departments, including Human Services, Planning and Development, Parks & Recreation, the District Attorney’s Office, and the Clerk and Recorder’s Office.

More information to come!

**Lake Beckwith Owner’s Representative RFP Released**

While RJH Engineering completes the design work for the rehabilitation of our dam, the District has initiated the Request for Proposals process to secure a qualified Owner’s Representative firm. This firm will be tasked with overseeing construction activities on behalf of the District, ensuring that all work is performed in accordance with the State Engineer’s Office approved design, within budget, and on schedule.

To date, six firms have expressed interest and will be submitting their Statements of Qualification by September 15th. Each brings a strong track record in Southern Colorado and extensive experience managing projects of similar scope and complexity.

**Water and Wastewater Internships**

The Metro District is leading the charge in developing a new internship program in partnership with Pueblo Community College, designed to cultivate local talent and strengthen the community’s workforce in essential utility services. This initiative will provide students hands-on training and mentorship in water and wastewater operations, preparing them to manage all the critical infrastructure that sustains Colorado City’s growth and quality of life. The program aims not only to fill future workforce needs but also to create lasting career pathways for residents who want to contribute directly to the health, safety, and sustainability of their community.

**Water Restrictions**

Just a reminder to everyone that we are still under water restrictions. Check the CCMD website for details (coloradocitymd.org, search “Water Restriction”). This information is also posted in the CCMD office.

**Colorado City Architectures Control Committee**

The CCMD Board has established Resolution 06-2025 defining a Covenant Enforcement Policy, associated procedures and fines for neighbor submitted complaints. As noted in the Policy (available on the CCMD website and office), if it is determined that a violation has occurred then a “courtesy letter” will be issued to the Property Owner requiring correction or submission of a plan to correct. The policy provides for second and third letters if actions are not completed. Property Owners can request time extensions from the CCMD Board. Fines will begin at $150 per violation and could increase if appropriate actions are not taken to resolve the violation.

**Pueblo Means Business!**

Director of Planning and Development Carmen Howard and Deputy Director Jenn Wagoner attended the August 12th Board of Directors meeting in Colorado City to share with the Board some of the changes in the Unified Development Code (UDC for short), as well as the benefits of the “One stop shop” for permits known as “Pueblo Means Business” (PMB). The UDC is the Code that regulates land use and development and, ultimately, sets the regulations through which our Metro District will continue to develop. PMB is an online network that seeks to be a centralized platform connecting applicants to a process guide, routing, plan review, permitting, inspection and other business resources. Ideally, our CCACC processes will one day be a part of this platform as we modernize the processes, but for now it is a great tool for all our residents to familiarize themselves with.

For more information on the Unified Development Code, visit:

https://county.pueblo.org/planning-and-development-department

If you, or anybody you know, wants to know more about how the County’s permit system works, please visit:

https://pueblomeansbusiness.com

**Southern Colorado Youth Go (SoCoYoGo)**

SoCoYoGo is a free, youth-focused program designed to give teens ages 13–18 safe, positive places to spend their time in Pueblo County. By visiting local libraries, parks, recreation centers, and other community spots, youth can scan QR codes to earn “Pueblo Chile Seeds” that can be redeemed for rewards at participating local businesses. The Library, Rye High School and Craver Middle School are all participating locations to earn some Chile Seeds.

The program, created in partnership with the Pueblo Department of Public Health & Environment and local organizations, makes it easier for young people to connect with healthy activities, build community, and enjoy fun incentives along the way.

For more information, visit <https://socoyogo.com/> or download the App from the App Store or Google Play.

**Hollydot Update**

Windows has been completed at the clubhouse, and course has been at a record pace for play and self-sustaining as well as bringing people from all over the world to play golf in Colorado City. This has boosted the economy for all businesses Restaurants, Gas Stations, Campgrounds, and Hotels which intern hirers residents that support other local businesses in the community. A big shoutout to Mike Rielly and Marc Anzlovar and their crews for keeping the course in great shape and a friendly environment encouraging many people to return.

**CCMD Contact**

Remember that the CCMD phone number (719-676-3396) is always available and after-hours calls will be forwarded to the on-call person. When not an emergency please leave a message, responses will likely be the next business day.

**District Bill Payments**

Reminder that there is a secure 24/7 drop-box available on the north side of the CCMD office to pay your District bill. You can also pay by phone (719-676-3396) or online at [www.coloadocitymd.org](http://www.coloadocitymd.org) . Remember that account numbers are not to include any punctuation (e.g 1234.56 should be 123456)