

## **CLEAR CREEK COUNTY MASTER PLAN**

Citizen Advisory Committee - Meeting #3

Agenda

**Date:** April 4, 2016

**Time:** 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

**Location:** County Commissioners' Hearing Room, County Courthouse, 405 Argentine St.,  
Georgetown, CO

**Purpose:** This is the third meeting of the Citizen Advisory Committee for the Clear Creek County Master Plan. The purpose of this meeting is to continue the discussion of the draft policy framework presented at Meeting #2, and to review concepts for a future land use map.

**In Preparation:** We have limited time to discuss the maps. The revised policy framework is included as a handout with this agenda. Please submit written comments at the meeting or via e-mail to [gvoeller@segroup.com](mailto:gvoeller@segroup.com) .

### **Agenda:**

1. Establish meeting purpose, summarize Public Meeting #2, including comments – *10-15 minutes*
2. Revisit the Vision and Themes– Present draft of new vision and get feedback from group- *20-30 minutes*
3. Future Land Use – review land use maps from previous plan; discuss potential land use concepts to guide Master Plan. *60-90 minutes*
4. Next Steps –*10 minutes*

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### **AGENDA ITEM #1: MEETING #2 SUMMARY (15 MINUTES)**

- Public Meeting #2 Summary
- Go through feedback for each mapping area

#### Citizen Advisory Committee Members

- John Caldwell, Idaho Springs / Empire
- Dianna Rockwell, D-L-D
- Kim Steele, Idaho Springs
- Cynthia Neely Georgetown
- Bob Judge, Old Squaw Pass
- Jim White, Floyd Hill
- Jim Epstein, Upper Bear Creek
- Stephen Schultz, Fall River Road
- Tracy Troia, Georgetown
- Donna Moody, Planning Commission Representative

#### County Planning Staff

- Fredrick Rollenhagen, Planning Director
- Brad Boland, Planning I / Zoning Enforcement Officer

#### Consulting Team Members:

- Gabby Voeller, Associate Planner, SE Group
- Scott Prior, Staff Planner, SE Group

### **AGENDA ITEM #2: VISION AND THEMES (20-30 MINUTES)**

- Vision UPDATE
- The Policy Framework has been organized by themes – introduce these

*Improve upon the existing quality of life in Clear Creek County by supporting the development of a diverse economy, protecting natural and cultural resources, encouraging recreation, and celebrating the County's distinct areas.*

Does this address the comments from the last CAC Meeting?

To compare, here is the 2004 Master Plan vision statement:

*Actively pursue economic plans, build on the existing quality of life, and preserve the natural and cultural resources all for the benefit of the County and its citizens.*

**Key Themes:**



Quality of Life

Built



Environment and Land Use



Economy

Natural



Environment



Mining and Cultural Resources



Recreation



Distinct Areas

- Do these themes make sense? Are themes missing? Are any not represented well?

## Future Clear Creek County Master Plan Policy Framework DRAFT

The Master Plan Shall....



### **Seek a greater diversity of economic activity within the County**

The County will use a multi-pronged approach to both engage and support local businesses as well as to attract diverse and viable companies and organizations that provide high quality employment. The County will use its key assets in this effort: high quality of life, rural mountain lifestyle, proximity to the Denver metropolitan area, mining legacy and infrastructure, recreation, and tourism.



### **Enable and encourage communities within Clear Creek County to actively participate in planning for their future.**

The County will support the development of subarea plans that help refine and reflect County-wide objectives, while retaining the individual character and values of the distinct areas within it. Independent and creative approaches will be encouraged in these pursuits.

#### **Sub-goal/Objective:**

*Promote intergovernmental cooperation to support shared regional objectives*

The County will both work within and with neighboring counties on initiatives where there are shared interests and efficiencies can be gained by working together. The County will address current intergovernmental agreements (IGAs) and reduce redundancies as well as follow up on those that have been left by the wayside. The County will continue its coordination with the United States Forest Service on recreation policy.



natural hazards,  
and land use decisions.



### **Ensure suitability and compatibility with environmental characteristics and community character of Clear Creek County when considering land use change and development**

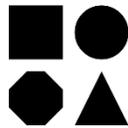
The County will consider resources, including but not limited to, open space, water resources, wildlife, ecosystems, viewsheds, and infrastructure, when assessing the impact of development



### **Identify and protect lands of high ecological value, scenic quality, or historic importance.**

Through both smart land use planning and open space acquisition, the County will

determine which lands meet these criteria, and align their planning processes accordingly.



**Promote the concentration of development into established municipalities and activity centers in order to preserve rural lands and to efficiently use County resources.**

Through coordinated land use planning, the County will encourage growth in designated areas where services exist or can be provided

with modest effort and cost.



**Recognize and support endeavors in the arts, culture, recreation and tourism.**

The County will use an all-inclusive approach to branding, identification, and residents identify with and visitors

communication so that recognize the assets and identity of Clear Creek County.



**Consider recreation as an important contributor to residents' quality of life and a part of a balanced regional economy**

The County will acknowledge recreation in economic development efforts, recognizing their tie to each other. The County will understand its unique assets and build recreational opportunities around them. The County will pursue partnerships focusing on recreation with entities such as schools, municipalities, CCMRD, USFS, and the OSC.

**Continue to preserve and protect mineral resources for the benefit of future generations**



The County recognizes the short term challenge of the Henderson Mine closure but will continue to think in terms of long-term opportunities and building upon its mining heritage. The County will actively promote reuse options for the Henderson mine that do not preclude future mining efforts.



**Explore how local and regional initiatives within the County can improve access to health care services.**

The County will work to develop "home-grown" options that support access to health care services while also looking to partner with regional, state, and federal agencies. The County will pursue strategies that will improve health care access in the long-term, not quick fixes that do not hold up over time.



**Endorse transportation infrastructure that is multi-modal in nature and enhances existing communities as well as their access to the rest of the region**

The County will look for opportunities to integrate pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities where appropriate, enabling residents to access jobs and services without reliance on personal automobiles. The County will address the challenges of the I-70 corridor, while embracing opportunities the highway presents. The County will explore partnerships with neighboring counties as well as local, regional, and state agencies to provide transit service between Clear Creek County and neighboring counties in the pursuit of improving regional access to jobs and services.

**AGENDA ITEM #3: FUTURE LAND USE (60-90 MINUTES)**

Attached to this agenda packet are 4 maps:

1. Future Land Use Map for 2030 from current Master Plan (2004)
2. Mining Activity Map from current Master Plan (2004)
3. Service Areas & Special Districts from current Master Plan (2004)
4. Open Space Map from current Master Plan (2004)

Also included are the descriptions of the current Master Plan’s Land Use categories. We will engage in a discussion for each land use category, re-examining its definition and locating the appropriate locations for these categories on the map. What do you like or don’t like about the current map? What is confusing? What would a map that reflects the vision look like?

**AGENDA ITEM #5: NEXT STEPS (10 MINUTES)**

Timeline of the Project:

<u>Month / Date</u>	<u>Event/Activity</u>
April 4	CAC Meeting #3 – Land Use Maps
April 25	CAC Meeting #4 – First Draft Master Plan Review
May 16	PC Meeting / CAC Meeting #4 – Draft Master Plan Presentation
June 6	Public Meeting #3 – Review of the Draft Plan
July	Final Plan for PC Review

We would expect that between these dates/meetings the CAC would have some “homework” to provide its input on policy language and review of drafts. Materials will generally be sent prior to the meeting date.