



City Council Regular Meeting Agenda

April 7, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Emily Francis, Mayor
Julie Pignataro, District 2, Mayor Pro Tem
Chris Conway, District 1
Josh Fudge, District 3
Melanie Potyondy, District 4
Amy Hoeven, District 5
Anne Nelsen, District 6

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Carrie Daggett
City Attorney

Kelly DiMartino
City Manager

Delynn Coldiron
City Clerk

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PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

A) PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- PP 1. Declaring April 2026 as Fair Housing Month.
- PP 2. Declaring April 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

REGULAR MEETING 6:00 PM

B) CALL MEETING TO ORDER

C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D) ROLL CALL

7-0.

E) CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA REVIEW

F) COMMUNITY REPORTS - None.

G) PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY TOPICS OR ITEMS OR COMMUNITY EVENTS

H) PUBLIC COMMENT FOLLOW-UP

I) COUNCILMEMBER REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **Consideration and Approval of the Minutes of the March 3, 2026 Regular Meeting.**

The purpose of this item is to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2026 Regular Meeting.

Approved.

2. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 015, 2026, Making a Supplemental Appropriation from the Colorado State Patrol Department of Public Safety for the FY26 Beat Auto Theft Through Law Enforcement (BATTLE) Grant Project.**

This Ordinance, unanimously adopted on First Reading on March 3, 2026, appropriates \$10,000 of unanticipated state grant revenue from the Colorado State Patrol (CSP) Department of Public Safety as a modification to the previously awarded FY 2026 BATTLE grant.

Adopted on Second Reading.

3. **Items Relating to Traffic Code Updates.**

A. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 016, 2026, Amending Section 236 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Child Restraint Systems.

B. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 017, 2026, Amending Section 214 and Section 224 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Snowplows.

C. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 018, 2026, Adding a New Section 1412.5 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Certain Persons Approaching Intersections who are not Operating Motor Vehicles.

D. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 019, 2026, Amending Section 1503 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Lane Filtering and Passing.

E. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 020, 2026, Amending Section 239 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Misuse of a Mobile Electronic Device.

F. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 021, 2026, Adding a New Section 1418 of the Fort Collins Traffic Code Relating to Driving without a Current Driver’s License.

G. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 022, 2026, Amending Section 1209 and Sections 1221 through 1227 of the Fort Colins Traffic Code Relating to Parking Enforcement Procedures.

Changes have been made to the second reading of Ordinance No. 022, 2026, to correct “his or her” to “their” and “him or her” to “them” in the portions of the Traffic Code being modified.

These Ordinances, unanimously adopted on First Reading on March 3, 2026, recommend revisions to the Fort Collins Traffic Code to address changes made by the Colorado State Legislature and to modernize outdated language to more clearly reflect current Parking Services policies and protocols related to enforcing parking violations and fee requirements in parking garages and surface lots.

All Ordinances Adopted on Second Reading.

4. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 023, 2026, Making a Supplemental Appropriation and Authorizing Transfers of Appropriations for the Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program.**

This Ordinance, unanimously adopted on First Reading on March 3, 2026, supports the City in expanding on the City's current Active Modes Plan and Vision Zero Plan, specifically through:

- Supplemental Planning Projects
 - An audit of standards and policies to identify and amend plans, codes and standards to align with City's Active Modes Plan and Vision Zero Action Plan, and
 - Harmony Road Study to develop conceptual plans to mitigate speed related risks and reduce severe crashes, with an emphasis on vulnerable road users.
- Demonstration project on Lake Street to evaluate modifications for safer and more predictable travel for all modes.

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Federal Highway Administration to receive grant funding to support the above-mentioned project activities was adopted with First Reading.

The Ordinance will appropriate \$1,739,944 in federal funds from the FY24 SS4A grant program and \$367,570 in local funds and in-kind staff time to go toward the local match requirement.

Adopted on Second Reading.

5. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 024, 2026, Reappropriating Funds Previously Appropriated in 2025 But Not Expended and Not Encumbered in 2025.**

The purpose of this item is to reappropriate monies in 2026 that were previously authorized by Council for expenditures in 2025 for various purposes. The authorized expenditures were not spent or could not be encumbered in 2025 because:

- There was not sufficient time to complete bidding in 2025 and therefore, there was no known vendor or binding contract as required to expend or encumber the monies; or
- The project for which the dollars were originally appropriated by Council could not be completed during 2025 and reappropriation of those dollars is necessary for completion of the project in 2026.

Additionally, there may have been sufficient unspent dollars previously appropriated in 2025 to carry on programs, services, and facility improvements in 2026 for those specific purposes.

In the above circumstances, the unexpended and/or unencumbered monies lapsed into individual fund balances at the end of 2025 and reflect no change in Council policies.

Adopted on First Reading.

6. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 025, 2026, Appropriating Prior Year Reserves and Unanticipated Revenue Received through City Give.**

The purpose of this item is to request an appropriation of \$116,399.98 in philanthropic revenue received through City Give. These miscellaneous gifts to various City departments support a variety of programs and services and are aligned with both the City's strategic priorities and the respective donors' designation.

In 2019, City Give, a formalized enterprise-wide initiative was launched to create a transparent, non-partisan governance structure for the acceptance and appropriations of charitable gifts.

Adopted on First Reading.

7. First Reading of Ordinance No. 026, 2026, Authorizing a Mid-Year Budget Appropriation for the Runway 15-33 Widening Project at Northern Colorado Regional Airport.

The purpose of this item is to authorize a supplemental budget appropriation of \$1,690,867.84 to complete funding for the Runway 15-33 Widening Project at Northern Colorado Regional Airport. The Project has already been approved by both Cities, and the majority of the \$19,761,259.45 total cost has been secured and appropriated. This final appropriation, supported by a recently awarded \$1,678,254 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) grant and \$12,613.84 in Airport reserve funds, will allow construction to begin in June 2026.

Widening Runway 15-33 from 100 feet to 150 feet is a critical infrastructure improvement identified in the Airport's 2020 Master Plan and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The project is necessary to improve safety and bring the runway into compliance with FAA design standards for the Airport's current and forecasted fleet mix, including aircraft such as the Airbus A319/A320 and Boeing 737, which are commonly used in commercial airline service.

Adopted on First Reading.

8. First Reading of Ordinance No. 027, 2026, Appropriating Prior Year Reserves and Making a Supplemental Appropriation in Support of the Michigan Ditch Forest Health and Pre-Fire Mitigation Project.

The purpose of this item is to support Fort Collins Utilities (Utilities) in protecting the City's Michigan Ditch – a trans-basin diversion located primarily within the Colorado State Forest State (CSFS) Park near Cameron Pass that is deemed a critical water supply infrastructure. The Michigan Ditch Forest Health and Pre-Fire Mitigation Project serves to implement identified forest fuels treatment on CSFS land to protect Michigan Ditch. Based on the large number of acres to be treated and the costly treatment measures, work is being completed in phases. Phase 1 work commenced in summer 2025, with Utilities and CSFS collectively funding Phase 1 costs. Phase 2 work is proposed to commence in late spring/early summer of 2026, with a cost estimated at \$1,316,682.

Pursuant to Resolution No. 2025-053, the City Manager accepted \$1,000,000 in grant funds through the Colorado Department of Natural Resources' Colorado Strategic Wildfire Action Program (COSWAP) for Phase 2 of the Michigan Ditch Forest Health and Pre-Fire Mitigation Project. Utilities has a \$316,682 match obligation under the COSWAP grant. Based on timing of Phase 2 to commence late spring/early summer of 2026, and Utilities' obligation to all terms and conditions of the intergovernmental agreement (IGA) among City and the Colorado Department of Natural Resources provided in the Resolution to commence when Utilities submits the first request for reimbursement, Utilities requests Council:

- Appropriate the \$1,000,000 in revenue from the COSWAP grant; and
- Appropriate \$116,682 from the Water Fund reserves for Phase 2 of the Michigan Ditch Forest Health and Pre-Fire Mitigation Project.

The \$200,000 needed to fulfill Utilities match obligation under the COSWAP grant for Phase 2 work has already been appropriated in the Water Fund in the budget for the Michigan Ditch Forest Health and Pre-Fire Mitigation Project.

Adopted on First Reading.

9. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 028, 2026, Making a Supplemental Appropriation of Grant Revenue from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Program for the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program in Police Services.**

The purpose of this item is to appropriate \$17,098 of unanticipated revenue for Police Services under the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program for the period ending September 30, 2026.

Adopted on First Reading.

10. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 029, 2026, Appropriating Prior Year Reserves to Broadband Capital Projects and Related Art in Public Places.**

The purpose of this item is to appropriate funds received in 2025 as unanticipated revenue to non-lapsing Broadband capital projects.

In August 2025, Connexion received \$2,917,016 in proceeds related to the Open International utility billing software judgment which were assigned as revenue in the Other Non-Operating account. When netted with the balance of Connexion's revenue, Connexion revenue exceeded budgeted revenue by \$2,216,181.

Therefore, this appropriation is for the total excess fund revenue budget of \$2,216,181 to Broadband capital projects to support anticipated growth in 2026 and beyond.

Adopted on First Reading.

11. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 030, 2026, Making a Supplemental Appropriation of Grant Revenue from the Colorado Energy Office and Authorizing Transfers of Appropriations for the Energy Code Adoption and Enforcement Grant.**

The purpose of this item is to appropriate \$125,000 of unanticipated grant revenue from the Colorado Energy Office, utilizing matching funds in the amount of \$25,000 from existing 2026 appropriations into this new grant project for the Energy Code Adoption and Enforcement Grant. The cost share of \$25,000 will be from the Energy Services budget in the Light and Power Fund as cash and in-kind staff time.

Adopted on First Reading.

12. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 031, 2026, Making a Supplemental Appropriation and Authorizing an Appropriation Transfer for the Gardens on Spring Creek Internship Program.**

The purpose of this item is to:

- Appropriate \$5,000 from the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, passed through the Colorado Department of Agriculture Agricultural Workforce Development Program, to the Gardens on Spring Creek to fund a 2026 Horticulture Internship; and
- Authorize the transfer of \$4,545 in matching funds from existing appropriations.

Adopted on First Reading.

- 13. First Reading of Ordinance No. 032, 2026, Making a Supplemental Appropriation from the Colorado Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Office for the Fort Collins Police Services' Click It or Ticket Traffic Safety Program.**

The purpose of this item is to appropriate \$22,000 from the Colorado Department of Transportation's (CDOT) Highway Safety Office (HSO) for the Click It or Ticket traffic safety program for Police Services. This federal award is passed through the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration to CDOT.

Adopted on First Reading.

- 14. First Reading of Ordinance No. 033, 2026, Appropriating Prior Year Reserves in the Natural Areas Fund for the Purpose of Land Conservation, Visitor Amenities, Restoration and Other Related Natural Areas Stewardship Activities not included in the 2026 Adopted City Budget.**

The purpose of this item is to appropriate \$6,224,294 in prior year reserves in the Natural Areas Fund. These appropriations are for land conservation, visitor amenities and restoration of wildlife habitat, as well as other Natural Areas Department stewardship activities to benefit the residents of Fort Collins.

Adopted on First Reading.

- 15. First Reading of Ordinance No. 034, 2026, Appropriating Prior Year Reserves in General Fund for Cultural Development and Programming Activities, Tourism Programming, and Convention and Visitor Program Services.**

The purpose of this item is to appropriate \$28,502, of which \$19,952 is proposed for Convention and Visitors Bureau, \$7,125 is proposed for Cultural Development and Programming Activities (Fort Fund), and \$1,425 is proposed for Tourism Programming (Fort Fund) all from unanticipated 2025 Lodging Tax revenue collections.

Lodging taxes are annually collected by the City of Fort Collins for Cultural Development and Tourism programming activities. Anticipated revenue is projected through each Budgeting for Outcomes (BFO) cycle and then adjusted annually as needed based on final actual collections. For 2025, total Lodging tax revenues collected came in \$28,502 above projected collections.

Adopted on First Reading.

- 16. First Reading of Ordinance No. 035, 2026, Authorizing Transfers of Appropriations for the Nature-Based Solutions Plan and Stormwater Park Concept Plan Project.**

The purpose of this item is to appropriate funds from the General Fund and the Utilities Stormwater Fund to be used for staff time as the City's 2026 required cost share for the Nature-based Solutions (NbS) Plan and Stormwater Park Concept Plan Project (the Project). The Project is funded by the FEMA BRIC grant awarded to Fort Collins in 2024.

Adopted on First Reading.

17. Items Related to the Reorganization of the Administration of the Municipal Court.

A. First Reading of Ordinance No. 036, 2026, Amending Chapter 2, Article V, Division 2, Section 2-493 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins to Reorganize the Administration of the Municipal Court.

B. First Reading of Ordinance No. 037, 2026, Amending Section 1702 of the Traffic Code of the City of Fort Collins to Reorganize the Administration of the Municipal Court.

The purpose of this item is to amend sections of the Municipal City and Traffic Codes to move business operations of the Municipal Court under the City Manager’s Office while preserving the independence of the Municipal Court Judge to include exclusive authority over legal rulings, sentencing decisions, and courtroom procedures.

Adopted on First Reading.

18. Items Relating to Water Service Lines and Wastewater Service Lines.

A. First Reading of Ordinance No. 038, 2026, Amending Section 26-94 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins Regarding Water Service Lines.

B. First Reading of Ordinance No. 039, 2026, Amending Section 26-256 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins Regarding Wastewater Service Lines.

The purpose of this item is to adopt ordinances updating City Code to provide additional flexibility for shared water and wastewater services. These changes support development and housing affordability by reducing construction costs and aligning Utilities requirements with current Land Use Code standards, while maintaining reliable water and wastewater service and protecting existing infrastructure.

Adopted on First Reading.

19. Items Relating to Wastewater Lift Station City Code Changes and Amendments to the Wastewater Design Criteria Manual.

A. First Reading of Ordinance No. 040, 2026, Amending Sections 26-206, 26-260, and 26-287 of the Code of the City of Fort Collins Regarding Wastewater Lift Stations.

B. First Reading of Ordinance No. 041, 2026, Adopting the Fort Collins Utilities Water and Wastewater Design Criteria Manual.

The purpose of this item is to adopt wastewater lift station requirements into City Code and readopt the Fort Collins Utilities Water and Wastewater Design Criteria Manual, including new wastewater lift station design criteria. The proposed updates establish design standards for developer-constructed wastewater lift stations that will be transferred to City ownership and maintenance, ensuring facilities accepted by the City are high quality, efficient, and maintainable. This will enable development in areas currently limited to septic systems and expand the number of customers served by the municipal system. The updated Design Criteria Manual also includes minor revisions and clarifications to existing standards to align with current City codes, industry terminology, and good engineering practices.

Adopted on First Reading.

20. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 042, 2026, Amending the Land Use Code of the City of Fort Collins to Adopt Transit Oriented Community Standards.**

The purpose of this item is to seek Council approval of proposed Land Use Code changes supporting the City's compliance efforts with State House Bill 24-1313, Housing in Transit Oriented Communities. The proposed Code changes are intended to:

Define and designate specific geographic areas of the community as 'Transit Centers.' Transit Centers are principally commercial and higher density residential zone districts located along existing or planned high-frequency transit.

Change the review and appeal process for multi-unit dwelling developments five acres in size or less located in Transit Centers to basic development review (staff-level review without a public hearing) to align with State legislative requirements.

Make minor consistency edits in sections of the Land Use Code being updated as part of Transit Center designations.

Staff held a January 27, 2026, work session with City Council and is implementing direction received to implement a phased approach to Transit Center designations. The proposed Code changes support the first phase of Transit Center designations within the Transit Oriented Development Overlay Zone, and staff anticipate bringing forward additional Transit Center designations in other commercial corridors later in 2026 following additional engagement.

Adopted on First Reading.

21. **Resolution 2026-030 Finding Substantial Compliance and Initiating Annexation Proceedings for the Peakview Annexation No. 2.**

The purpose of this item is to determine substantial compliance and initiate annexation proceedings for the Peakview Annexation No. 2, a voluntary annexation request. The property is situated at the northeast corner of East Mulberry Street and Greenfields Drive.

The applicants have submitted a written petition requesting annexation of approximately 70 acres and zoning into the MMN - Medium Density Mixed-use Neighborhood, I - Industrial, and GC - General Commercial Zone Districts pursuant to the City Land Use Code.

This annexation request is in conformance with the State of Colorado Revised Statutes as they relate to annexations, the City of Fort Collins City Plan, and the Larimer County and City of Fort Collins Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Growth Management.

Adopted.

22. **Resolution 2026-031 Approving an Exception to the Competitive Purchasing Process to Procure Professional Services from Hurricane Electric to Increase Internet Service Provider Capacity for Connexion Broadband.**

The purpose of this item is to request an exception to the competitive purchasing process to enter into a five-year agreement with Hurricane Electric for Tier 1 Internet Service Provider (ISP) Services in support of Connexion.

Adopted.

23. **Resolution 2026-032 Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Two Memoranda of Agreement Between the City of Fort Collins and the East Larimer County Water District for Purchase of Water Taps.**

The purpose of this item is to authorize the City Manager to sign two East Larimer County Water District Memorandum of Agreement for Purchase of Water Tap for irrigation water supply to the landscape improvements for the City's I-25 and Prospect Interchange Enhancements Project.

Adopted.

24. **Resolution 2026-033 Approving Participation in Settlement with an Additional Six Remnant Opioid Defendants, Associated Pharmacies, Inc., J M Smith Corporation, Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., Morris and Dickson, Co., North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company and United Natural Foods, Inc., and a Related Waiver of Claims.**

The purpose of this item is to allow the City to participate in the Colorado Opioids Settlement with Associated Pharmacies, Inc., J M Smith Corporation, Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., Morris and Dickson, Co., North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company and United Natural Foods, Inc., ("Six Remnant Defendants") granting approval to sign an additional participation agreement and waiver of claims for opioid-related damages. This is in follow-up to prior approvals of settlements with multiple other opioid defendants, negotiated through national settlement efforts coordinated through the State of Colorado.

Adopted.

25. **Items Relating to Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions.**

- A. Resolution 2026-034 Making Appointments to the Active Modes Advisory Board.
- B. Resolution 2026-035 Making Appointments to the Affordable Housing Board.
- C. Resolution 2026-036 Making Appointments to the Air Quality Advisory Board.
- D. Resolution 2026-037 Making Appointments to the Arts and Culture Board.
- E. Resolution 2026-038 Making Appointments to the Building Review Commission.
- F. Resolution 2026-039 Making Appointments to the Citizen Review Board.
- G. Resolution 2026-040 Making Appointments to the Disability Advisory Board.
- H. Resolution 2026-041 Making Appointments to the Economic Advisory Board.
- I. Resolution 2026-042 Making Appointments to the Energy Board.
- J. Resolution 2026-043 Making an Appointment to the General Employees Retirement Committee.
- K. Resolution 2026-044 Making Appointments to the Historic Preservation Commission.
- L. Resolution 2026-045 Making Appointments to the Human Relations Commission.
- M. Resolution 2026-046 Making Appointments to the Human Services and Housing Funding Board.
- N. Resolution 2026-047 Making Appointments to the Land Conservation and Stewardship Board.
- O. Resolution 2026-048 Making Appointments to the Land Use Review Commission.
- P. Resolution 2026-049 Making Appointments to the Natural Resources Advisory Board.

- Q. Resolution 2026-050 Making Appointments to the Parks and Recreation Board.
- R. Resolution 2026-051 Making Appointments to the Senior Advisory Board.
- S. Resolution 2026-052 Making Appointments to the Transportation Board.
- T. Resolution 2026-053 Making Appointments to the Water Commission.
- U. Resolution 2026-054 Making Appointments to the Women and Gender Equity Advisory Board.

The purpose of this item is to fill vacancies on various Boards and Commissions.

Resolution 2026-034 through 2026-054 Adopted.

- 26. **Resolution 2026-055 Appointing a Staff Member to the Larimer County Behavioral Health Policy Council.**

The purpose of this item is to make an appointment to the Larimer County Behavioral Health Policy Council.

Adopted.

- 27. **Resolution 2026-056 Appointing a Staff Member to the Larimer County Community Services Block Grant Tripartite Board.**

The purpose of this item is to make an assignment to the Community Development Block Grant Tripartite Board.

Adopted.

- 28. **Resolution 2026-057 Appointing One Board Member to the Boxelder Basin Regional Stormwater Authority Board of Directors as the City and County Jointly Selected Board Director.**

The purpose of this item is to consider making one joint appointment to the Board of Directors of the Boxelder Basin Regional Stormwater Authority.

Adopted.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

- J) ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Adopted 7-0.

- K) CONSENT CALENDAR FOLLOW-UP**

- L) STAFF REPORTS – None.**

- M) COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

- N) CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSION**

- O) CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS PLANNED FOR DISCUSSION – None Scheduled.**

- P) ~~RESUMED PUBLIC COMMENT (if applicable)~~**

Q) OTHER BUSINESS

OB 1. Possible consideration of the initiation of new ordinances and/or resolutions by Councilmembers.

Motion to appoint Julie Stackhouse and Trevor Sheeley to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Motion Approved.

OB 2. Consideration of a Motion to go into Executive Session:

"I move that Council go into executive session for the purpose of discussing with the City's attorneys and appropriate City staff specific legal questions related to police liability litigation brought by plaintiff Andru Kulas, pursuant to:

- City Charter Article Two, Section Eleven
- City Code Section 2-31(a)(2), and
- Colorado Revised Statutes Section 24-6-402 subsection (4)(a) and (4)(b)

AND for the purpose of discussing with appropriate City staff the City's position on a potential new economic development undertaking in cooperation with Visit Fort Collins subject to negotiations with Visit Fort Collins and other project partners, developing strategy for those negotiations, and instructing negotiators, pursuant to:

- City Charter Article Two, Section Eleven, Subsection Five, and
- Colorado Revised Statutes Section 24-6-402 subsection (4)(e)(I)."

Motion Approved.

R) ADJOURNMENT – 7:45 p.m.