## LARIMER COUNTY | DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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## LARIMER COUNTY OPEN LANDS ADVISORY BOARD

The mission of Larimer County Department of Natural Resources is to establish, protect and manage significant regional parks and open lands providing quality outdoor recreational opportunities and stewardship of natural resource values. We are committed to fostering a sense of community and appreciation for the natural and agricultural heritage of Larimer County for present and future generations.

Date: June 27, 2019

**Time:** 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Larimer County Loveland Campus Building, 200 Peridot Avenue, Loveland, CO 80537, Poudre

**River Room** 

Contact: Please contact Sidney at smichl@larimer.org or 970-619-4462 if you are unable to attend

## **AGENDA**

Scheduled times are subject to change.

- CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 3. AGENDA REVIEW
- 4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES
- 5. INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - a. Natural Resource events for this month: See http://www.larimer.org/naturalresources.
  - To sign up for Open Lands Advisory Board minutes, go to
     <a href="http://larimer.org/subscriptions.cfm">http://larimer.org/subscriptions.cfm</a>, enter your email, click 'Subscribe,' and then check the 'Open Lands Advisory Board' box.
  - c. USFWS Preble's meadow jumping mouse recovery plan implementation Meegan
  - d. Estes Valley Open Space Plan Meegan/Zac

- 6. UPDATES
  - a. Graves Poudre River Trail Easement Final Review and Contract signed!
- 7. DISCUSSION ITEMS
- 8. ACTION ITEMS
  - a. Hazelhurst Coyote Ridge Addition CE Final Review
- 9. OTHER BUSINESS
  - a. Thank you to board members who are finishing their terms.
- 10. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED: July 25, 2019 at the Larimer County Loveland Campus Building, 200 Peridot Avenue, Loveland, CO 80537, Poudre River Room
- 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to C.R.S. (24-6-402(4)(a)) for discussion pertaining to the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real, personal or other property interest.
- 12. ADJOURN

Included in PDF:	Attached Separately:			
<ul> <li>Agenda</li> <li>Sales Tax Revenue Distribution Report</li> <li>Hazelhurst/Fort Collins CE Final Review documents</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Minutes of last meeting</li><li>News articles</li></ul>			



# OPEN SPACE SALES TAX ACTIVITY March 2019 Distribution

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SALES TAX	\$ 1,126,257.09
MV USE TAX	\$ 86,678.12
BUILDING USE TAX	\$ 100,369.10
INTEREST	\$ 3,843.58
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 1,317,147.89

EXPENDITURES:

PERSONNEL & OPERATING \$ 3,735.81 \$ 10,138.04 \$ 10,138.04

NET REVENUE: \$ 1,313,412.08

50%

 DISTRIBUTION BASED ON POPULATION
 2017
 % OF INCORP
 2018 State of Colorado Statistics

 POPULATION
 AREA
 REVENUE

 FORT COLLINS
 164,810
 59.86
 \$ 393,093

 LOVELAND
 76.797
 27.89
 \$ 183.171

FORT COLLINS	164,810	59.86	\$ 393,093.90
LOVELAND	76,797	27.89	\$ 183,171.12
ESTES PARK	6,276	2.28	\$ 14,969.10
BERTHOUD	6,762	2.46	\$ 16,128.27
WELLINGTON	9,501	3.45	\$ 22,661.16
WINDSOR	7,042	2.56	\$ 16,796.11
JOHNSTOWN	833	0.30	\$ 1,986.82
TIMNATH	3,312	1.20	\$ 7,899.56
TOTAL INCORP.	275,333	100.00	\$ 656,706.04

#### **DISTRIBUTION BASED ON SALES TAX GENERATION**

2018 Larimer County Statistics

		2017	% OF INCORP		
	GI	ENERATION	AREA SALES TAX	<u>I</u>	REVENUE
FORT COLLINS	\$	15,871,780	55.45	\$	364,171.07
LOVELAND	\$	8,741,862	30.54	\$	200,578.21
ESTES PARK	\$	1,657,605	5.79	\$	38,033.02
BERTHOUD	\$	284,353	0.99	\$	6,524.36
WELLINGTON	\$	241,630	0.84	\$	5,544.09
WINDSOR	\$	342,229	1.20	\$	7,852.30
JOHNSTOWN	\$	627,655	2.19	\$	14,401.27
TIMNATH	\$	854,308	2.98	\$	19,601.72
TOTAL INCORP	\$	28,621,422	100.00	\$	656,706.04

### DISTRIBUTION BASED ON HIGHEST YIELD TO INCORPORATED AREAS:

FORT COLLINS	\$ 393,093.90	54.50
LOVELAND	\$ 200,578.21	27.81
ESTES PARK	\$ 38,033.02	5.27
BERTHOUD	\$ 16,128.27	2.24
WELLINGTON	\$ 22,661.16	3.14
WINDSOR	\$ 16,796.11	2.33
JOHNSTOWN	\$ 14,401.27	2.00
TIMNATH	\$ 19,601.72	2.72
TOTAL INCORP	\$ 721,293.67	100.00

NEW DISTRIBUTION FO	R MUNICI	PAL AGREEMENT:	<u>:</u>	<u>Y</u>	EAR TO DATE	PAID TO DATE
FORT COLLINS	\$	357,894.66		\$	936,459.91	\$ 81,131,652.30
LOVELAND	\$	182,617.60		\$	477,833.52	\$ 37,613,083.46
ESTES PARK	\$	34,627.39		\$	90,605.32	\$ 6,180,766.84
BERTHOUD	\$	14,684.08		\$	38,422.07	\$ 2,955,055.77
WELLINGTON	\$	20,631.98		\$	53,985.22	\$ 2,731,979.50
WINDSOR	\$	15,292.12		\$	40,013.04	\$ 1,503,592.22
JOHNSTOWN	\$	13,111.72		\$	34,307.86	\$ 958,889.44
TIMNATH	\$	17,846.50		\$	46,696.80	\$ 1,129,357.67
TOTAL INCORP	\$	656,706.05		\$	1,718,323.74	\$ 134,204,377.20
TOTAL UNINCORP	\$	656,706.03		\$	1,718,323.72	\$ 96,648,070.01
TOTAL	\$	1,313,412.08		\$	3,436,647.46	\$ 230,852,447.21
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# OPEN SPACE SALES TAX ACTIVITY April 2019 Distribution

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SALES TAX	\$ 1,139,505.32
MV USE TAX	\$ 132,740.71
BUILDING USE TAX	\$ 106,048.23
INTEREST	\$ 3,853.62
	\$ 22,450.88
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 1,404,598.76

**EXPENDITURES:** 

NET REVENUE: \$ 1,400,819.41

#### % SALES TAX DISTRIBUTED TO INCORP. AREAS (USED AS A BASIS)

50%

DISTRIBUTION BASED ON POPULATION			2018 State of Colorado	Statistics
	2017	% OF INCORP		
	POPULATION	AREA		REVENUE
FORT COLLINS	164,810	59.86	\$	419,254.22
LOVELAND	76,797	27.89	\$	195,361.12
ESTES PARK	6,276	2.28	\$	15,965.29
BERTHOUD	6,762	2.46	\$	17,201.61
WELLINGTON	9,501	3.45	\$	24,169.25
WINDSOR	7,042	2.56	\$	17,913.89
JOHNSTOWN	833	0.30	\$	2,119.04
TIMNATH	3,312	1.20	\$	8,425.28
TOTAL INCORP.	275,333	100.00	\$	700,409.71

#### **DISTRIBUTION BASED ON SALES TAX GENERATION**

2018 Larimer County Statistics

		2017	% OF INCORP		
	GI	ENERATION	AREA SALES TAX	<u>]</u>	REVENUE
FORT COLLINS	\$	15,871,780	55.45	\$	388,406.58
LOVELAND	\$	8,741,862	30.54	\$	213,926.65
ESTES PARK	\$	1,657,605	5.79	\$	40,564.11
BERTHOUD	\$	284,353	0.99	\$	6,958.55
WELLINGTON	\$	241,630	0.84	\$	5,913.05
WINDSOR	\$	342,229	1.20	\$	8,374.86
JOHNSTOWN	\$	627,655	2.19	\$	15,359.67
TIMNATH	\$	854,308	2.98	\$	20,906.22
TOTAL INCORP	\$	28,621,422	100.00	\$	700,409.71

#### **DISTRIBUTION BASED ON HIGHEST YIELD TO INCORPORATED AREAS:**

FORT COLLINS	\$ 419,254.22	54.50
LOVELAND	\$ 213,926.65	27.81
ESTES PARK	\$ 40,564.11	5.27
BERTHOUD	\$ 17,201.61	2.24
WELLINGTON	\$ 24,169.25	3.14
WINDSOR	\$ 17,913.89	2.33
JOHNSTOWN	\$ 15,359.67	2.00
TIMNATH	\$ 20,906.22	2.72
TOTAL INCORP	\$ 769,295.63	100.00

NEW DISTRIBUTION FO	R MUNICI	PAL AGREEMENT	<u>`:</u>	<u>Y</u>	EAR TO DATE	PAID TO DATE
FORT COLLINS	\$	381,712.47		\$	1,318,172.38	\$ 81,513,364.77
LOVELAND	\$	194,770.77		\$	672,604.29	\$ 37,807,854.23
ESTES PARK	\$	36,931.83		\$	127,537.15	\$ 6,217,698.67
BERTHOUD	\$	15,661.30		\$	54,083.37	\$ 2,970,717.07
WELLINGTON	\$	22,005.04		\$	75,990.26	\$ 2,753,984.54
WINDSOR	\$	16,309.81		\$	56,322.85	\$ 1,519,902.03
JOHNSTOWN	\$	13,984.30		\$	48,292.16	\$ 972,873.74
TIMNATH	\$	19,034.19		\$	65,730.99	\$ 1,148,391.86
TOTAL INCORP	\$	700,409.71		\$	2,418,733.45	\$ 134,904,786.91
TOTAL UNINCORP	\$	700,409.70		\$	2,418,733.42	\$ 97,348,479.71
TOTAL	\$	1,400,819.41		\$	4,837,466.87	\$ 232,253,266.62
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Fort Collins
Natural
Areas

Areas



- 40 acres mixed grass prairie
- Adjacent to Coyote Ridge NA
- MacEwenConservationEasement



- Pristine MixGrass Prairie
- Bell's Twinpod
- Grassland bird species habitat





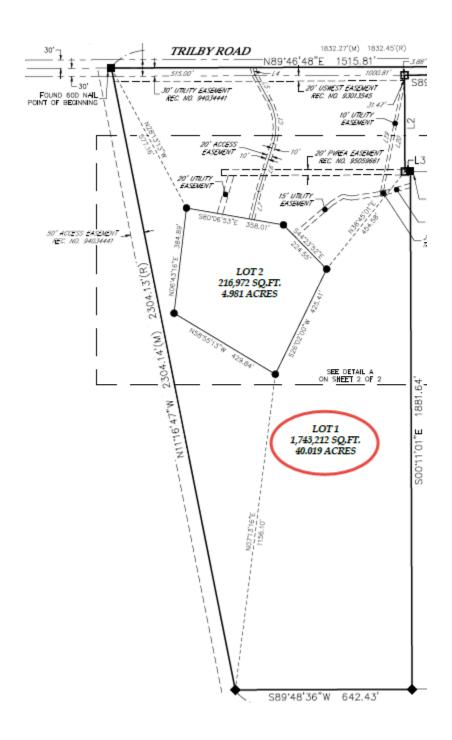


• 5 acre exclusion



# **EXHIBIT B**

### Hazelhurst Survey



#### **Larimer County Natural Resources**

Final Review - Hazelhurst CE June 27, 2019

## City of Fort Collins Conservation Easement

Project Number: Staff Assigned: Meyer

Public Name: Hazelhurst CE

Values (shown in bold):

Scenic Significant Plants/Natural Agricultural

Buffer Communities Geological/Paleontological

Wildlife Habitat Outdoor Recreational Educational

Wetlands Historic/Archaeological Other (explain in narrative)

#### **Property Description:**

In 2005 the City of Fort Collins Natural Area Department (NAD) purchased a conservation easement on this property to protect the mixed grass prairie and buffer the northern boundary of Coyote Ridge. The previous landowner was a good steward of the land, managing the invasive weeds while lightly grazing with a few horses. The landowner put the property on the market in late 2018. NAD decided to further protect the property by purchasing it. In an effort to keep the highest level of protections NAD would like Larimer County Department of Natural Resources to assume the conservation easement.

The property has a beautiful and diverse mixed grass prairie. The prairie is in good condition with very few non-native plants. Wildflowers are abundant and flower in the summer months. Many of the plants provide important habitat for native bees, butterflies and moths. Yucca found in rocky soils on the top of small rolling hills is critical for the yucca moth. Native grasses like blue grama, little bluestem and western wheat provide larval food sources for many of the foothill butterfly species. Rare plants can also be found on site. Bell's twinpod, a globally imperiled plant, inhabits soils from the Niobrara outcrop that can be found in small patches throughout the area. Bell's twinpod is a locally endemic plant and can only be found in Larimer and Boulder counties.

These pristine habitats increase the potential for hosting a diversity of wildlife species. Breeding bird survey results of the adjacent property would suggest that grassland bird species that have experienced significant declines are likely to be present on this property as well. The conservation of this property will help create a more contiguous, less fragmented landscape, that will benefit wildlife of multiple scales.

Quadrangle: Masonville

NW Quarter of Section 16, Township 6 North, Range 69 west

**Short Legal Description:** COM NW COR 16-6-69, N 89 58' 19" E 820.77 FT TPOB, N 89 58' 19" E 1832.45 FT, S 0 0' 45" W 2262.01 FT, W 1388.77 FT, N 11 5' 22" W 2304.13 FT TPOB; EX POR TO FT COLLINS-LOVELAND WATER DIST PER 2090-849 CONT 80.0066 AC M/L (SPLIT FROM 96160 00 002) (NC23N8

Acreage: 40-acres

**Current Zoning:** Larimer County – FA1 Farming

Adjacent Zoning: Larimer County – FA1 Farming, Fort Collins – POL Public Open Lands

Water Rights: None Mineral Rights: None

Ownership Information: City of Fort Collins

Partners: Fort Collins Natural Areas (NAD)

**Description:** NAD acquired the conservation easement in 2005. In 2018 the landowner put the property up for sale. NAD decided to purchase the property as an addition to Coyote Ridge Natural Area. NAD is asking the County to assume the conservation easement.

#### Property Rights Involved (shown in bold):

First Right of Refusal Conservation Easement

Option to Purchase Lease

Fee Simple Development Rights Transferred
Fee Simple w/Conditions Development Rights Acquired

Purchase Price \$0
Price Per Acre: \$0
Financial Terms: None

Funding Sources: N/A Description: Amount:

Total: N/A

Closing Date(s): July, 2019

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Recommendation: B.O.C.C. Approval: Evaluation Criteria

Values	Staff
Environmental/Ecological	Med
Scenic/Aesthetic/Sense of Place	Med
Outdoor Recreation	Med
Historical/Archaeological	N/A
Agricultural	Med
Geological/Paleontological	N/A
Information/Education	Med
Context	Med
Political Factors	Low
Price	Low

