



FRUITA COLORADO

Weekly Info Update



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Tuesday's City Council Workshop

We've got a full agenda scheduled for our workshop on Tuesday night. I will begin the meeting with presenting the City Manager's proposed budget for 2022, and will cover the significant changes in the budget, operational changes, and capital projects. After that, we will continue our discussion on housing strategies and hear from speakers from the Department of Local Affairs Department of Housing and the Grand Junction Housing Authority. After this discussion, we will briefly review requests for proclamations or resolutions. See you on Tuesday night!

Fruita Fall Festival This Weekend +3 Other Events!

The Fruita Area Chamber of Commerce is excited to once again host the Fruita Fall Festival! This year's Fall Festival theme is "There's No Place Like Fruita." The event will feature live music, food trucks, and a variety of vendors, artists, and unique sub-events. The full schedule, and a summary of the festival and changes can be found at the Chamber's website [here](#). In addition, the annual high school Anna Banana Cross Country Invitational is occurring this afternoon at Snooks Bottom, Tour of the Moon road cyclists will roll through Fruita Saturday and Sunday is the Chromes and Brews Car Show in Reed Park. More info on these events in the calendar section below.



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General Updates

- ***Bike Ride with the City Manager.*** Next Tuesday afternoon, I will be hosting a casual Bike Ride along the Riverfront Trail with Public Works Director Kimberly Bullen. This bike ride is an opportunity for residents to explore Fruita with staff and I and discuss any of the issues on their minds. We will meet at the Fruita Community Center at 4:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!
- ***CML Conference.*** This week, Councilor Kreie, staff and I attended the Colorado Municipal League Conference. We attended sessions on housing, public communications, leadership, and more.
- ***Recover Roadmaps Resiliency Process.*** This week I represented our Mesa County Economic Development Partners team with the state on reviewing proposals and presentations from possible consultants to work with the 16 regional teams across the state.

Engineering

- ***Fremont Street Design.*** A 90% set of drawings is planned for submittal to CDOT by 9/30/2021. A FOR (90%) review meeting has been scheduled with CDOT on September 8, 2021.
- ***2021 Concrete Replacements.*** Another round of concrete replacements went out for quotes with an anticipation of work beginning in the middle of October.
- ***Grand Valley Estates 3.*** Base course continues to be placed in preparation of installation of curb gutter and sidewalk.
- ***Iron Wheel Subdivision.*** Concrete for alleys continues. Base course for paving continues to be placed.
- ***Pine Street Bridge (at Little Salt Wash).*** Working to finalize right of way needs for the beginning of property acquisitions.
- ***Orchard Ridge Subdivision.*** Base course is being placed in preparation for paving.
- ***Village at country Creek North.*** Waterline installation is wrapping up. Storm drain installation will begin next week.

Planning & Development

To see active reviews of current projects, you may visit: <https://www.fruita.org/cd/page/current-development-projects>

Land Use Code Amendments:

- Vested Right Code Amendment (Approved)
- Development Agreements Code Amendment (Approved)
- [Zoning and Density Bonus Code Amendments](#). (Approved)
- Short Term Rental Code Amendments can be found as this [page](#).(Approved)
- [Parking Standards](#) (Approved)
- Design Standards: The links to the Code Amendments can be found at this [page](#). (Approved)

Major/ Minor Subdivisions:

- Dwell PUD Preliminary Plan (Approved) (1136 17 ½ Road, Fruita CO 81521)
- Grand Valley Estates 3 (Approved) (1848 J Road, Fruita CO 81521)
- Rose Creek Preliminary Plan (Under Review) (1892 K Road, Fruita CO 81521)

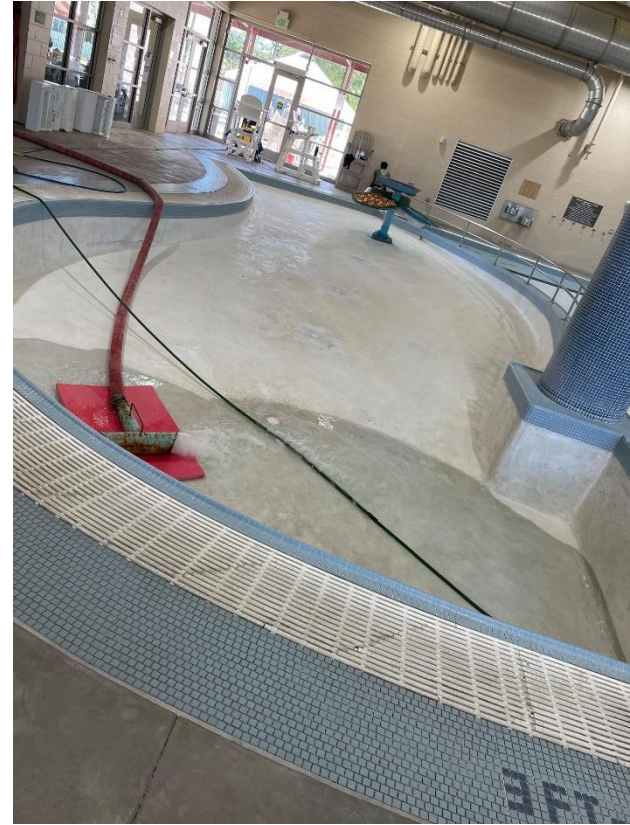
- Patron Annexation and Zoning (Under Review) (1123 19 Road, Fruita CO 81521)
- VACC Final Plat (Under Review) (1176 18 Rd, Fruita CO 81521)
- Epic Minor Subdivision (Under Review) (1092 Wallace St, Fruita CO 81521)
- Cider Mills Rezone (Under Review) (960 Stone Mt Drive, Fruita CO 81521)
- Red Cliffs 3 Preliminary PUD Plan (Under Review) (280 Clements Way, Fruita CO 81521)
- Grand Valley Estates 3 Final Plat (Under Review) (1848 J Road, Fruita CO 81521)
- 1930 Highway 6 & 50 Annexation and Zoning (Under Review) (1930 Hwy 6 & 50 Fruita CO 81521)
- Orchard Ridge 3 Final Plat (Under Review) (Orchard Ridge Subdivision, Fruita CO 81521)
- Sycamore Estates Minor Subdivision (Under Review) (945 E. Pabor Ave, Fruita CO 81521)
- Fruita Copper Creek Annexation and Zoning (Under Review) (954 19 Rd, Fruita CO 81521)
- Fruita Mews PUD Amendment (WITHDRAWN) (1138 18 ½ Rd, Fruita CO 81521)

Site Design Review/ Other Applications:

- Monument Powder Coating (1596 Cipolla) (Under Construction)
- Raptor Crossing Concept Plan (853 Raptor Rd) (Under Review)
- Lake Fruita Site Conditional Use Permit and Design Review (Under Review) (1571 Cipolla Rd, Fruita CO 81521)
- 111 S. Mesa Street Site Design Review (Under Review) 111 S. Mesa St, Fruita CO 81521)

Parks and Recreation

- ***Bimonthly Newsletter.*** The latest edition of the bimonthly Fruita Parks and Recreation Department newsletter is now available, and can be found here: [Maintenance Week: Hard at Work!](#) This edition includes information on upcoming special events and programming, fitness schedules, and more.
- ***Fishing is Fun.*** The Fishing is Fun event has been cancelled due to the water conditions at Snooks Bottom. The event was to be hosted on October 2nd.
- ***Youth Scholarship Golf Tournament.*** It's not too late to enter the Youth Scholarship Golf Tournament. October 2nd at Adobe Creek Golf Course, shot gun start at 1pm. The proceeds fund youth summer passes to the Community Center as well as programming throughout the year. Call the Community Center to register/
- ***Maintenance Week at the FCC.*** The Fruita Community Center was closed this week for maintenance week and will reopen next Monday morning. Staff and contractors were busy deep cleaning the facility, refinishing the hardwood floors, and painting. Below are a few photos from Maintenance Week, more can be found [here](#).



Public Works

- **Stormwater Update.** Mesa County Stormwater Division will be on site September 23rd at the PW Facility to provide training in pollution prevention and good housekeeping training and will conduct the annual audit of the facilities.
- **Road Maintenance Update.** Road Maintenance staff continues with road patching completing 8 patches on Columbine and 2 patches on Ottley Ave. Traffic safety is working on replacing street signs, crosswalk signs, and stop signs and has begun entering replacement sign data into the GIS system. In addition, traffic safety is replacing thermo-plastic markings in the Recreation Center parking lot and re-painting parking stalls.
- **Utilities Update.** Utilities crews completed Grand Valley Estates III sewer and storm inspection, Orchard Ridge sewer and storm inspection, installation of new VFD at I-70 lift station and assisted FCC pump out pool for maintenance week. Stan Muhr irrigation water is scheduled to be shut down on 9/24/21 and mountain water shutdown and winterization will be completed.
- **PW Administration Update.** Public Works Director attended CDOT – Greenhouse Gas Rulemaking session, worked with the Bureau of Reclamation and other municipalities regarding the Municipal Recreation Agreement and will begin reviewing the GMUG Draft Forest Plan Revision.

FRUITA IN THE NEWS (and regional news of impact to Fruita):

- [Airport receives \\$15.7 million for runway replacement.](#)

- [D51 to offer students free meals again this year.](#)
- [Flu season could be worse than past year.](#)
- [Tour of the Moon ride returns to Grand Junction.](#)
- [Fruita Fall Festival returns for its 106th year.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS *(Please let Deb know if you plan to attend so we can make sure to post if multiple council members plan to attend. Deb would also be happy to RSVP for you when needed.):*

- **September 24, 2021** – Fruita Monument High School is hosting 5 cross country running teams this afternoon at Snooks Bottom for the annual Anna Banana cross country Invitational 2021.
- **September 24-25, 2021** – Fruita Fall Festival, Downtown Fruita. The festival will include live music, food trucks, and a variety of vendors. [Fruitachamber.org/fruita-fall-festival](http://fruitachamber.org/fruita-fall-festival).
- **September 25, 2021** – Road Bike racers will roll through Fruita Saturday as part of the Tour of the Moon event. More info is found [here](#).
- **September 26, 2021** – Chrome and Brews Car Show at Reed Park, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- **October 2, 2021** – EWaste Recycling Event, Fruita Civic Center, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- **October 2, 2021** – Youth Scholarship Golf Tournament, Adobe Creek Golf Course, 1:00 p.m.
- **October 23, 2021** – Truck N'Treat, Downtown Fruita, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- **October 29, 2021** – Trick or Treat Street in Downtown Fruita, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- **November 6, 2021** – Rimrock Marathon, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Colorado National Monument and Fruita Community Center.
- **December 11, 2021** – Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair at the Fruita Community Center, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- **December 11, 2021** – Hometown Christmas and Parade of Lights, Parade is at Dusk, in Downtown Fruita.
- **December 15, 2021** – Cookies N Claus at the Fruita Community Center – 6:30 p.m.

CC. Department Directors

Do you have questions about anything in the Weekly Information Update? Please feel free to email us at communications@fruita.org



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City of Fruita staff strive to emulate these core behaviors in everything we do in order to show gratitude for public trust, build trust and maintain trust with the public, our partner agencies and with one another.

We are Fruita. We are...

Fun—This is such a critical behavior that impacts everything we do. If we are not having fun, we must ask why and recalculate and adjust. We must love what we do and where we work, live and play. We are positive and put forth focused effort to have a positive attitude. We are smiling. We are friendly. We enjoy serving the public and working together. We care about the experience those who interact with us internally and externally have.

Respectful—We are empathetic. We take an active interest in each other, residents, businesses and visitors. We listen. We talk one at a time. We compliment and build up others. We are tough on issues and easy on people. We recognize the role of City Council, Board and Commission Members, residents, supervisors, coworkers and customers. We are kind. We treat people with dignity. We embrace diversity and make every effort to think collectively.

United—We are a team. We focus on purpose and work together to achieve our goals. We communicate effectively with each other. We seek consensus, agree to disagree and move forward for the greater good. We support each other. We value partnerships that help us achieve our goals. We remember we are public stewards and serve. We are inclusive. We create synergy by recognizing our strengths and weaknesses and succeeding as a team.

Innovative—Simplicity is our key to innovation. We consider and explore alternatives to the way we've always done it. We are open to new ideas. We welcome calculated risk-taking and learning from our mistakes. We seek continuous improvement and welcome constructive feedback. We ask why and why not. We work to continually improve.

Transparent—We operate as an open book. We create, over communicate and reinforce clarity in our work. We are trustworthy. We assume a positive intent from others. We work with integrity. We seek ways to increase transparency internally and externally.

Authentic—We are unique. We are real. We are different. We are special. We are optimistic. We are exceptional and proud of it. We are comfortable being different. We are open-minded. We are honest. We embrace and value family. We live what we speak. We create clear expectations and work hard to manage those expectations.