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POSAC Retreat Agenda February 4, 2023 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Goodhue Farmhouse

The public portion of this meeting will begin around 9:45 a.m.

Suggested Timetable:

8:30	Coffee and Pastries
9:00	Icebreaker
9:15	Real Estate Priorities Executive Session Presenter: Janis Whisman (This discussion will be closed to the public.)
9:45	Bylaws and Chair Guide Refresher Presenter: Vivienne Jannatpour
10:15	Break
10:30	Update from Indigenous Ways and Land Commitment Team Presenters: Justin Atherton-Wood and Carrie Cimo
11:00	Lunch Break
11:30	Boulder County POS Weed Management Program Review Presenter: Joe Swanson
12:30	Adjourn



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PARKS & OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date of Meeting: Saturday, February 4, 2023

TO: Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee
FROM: Janis Whisman, Real Estate Division Manager
AGENDA ITEM: Open Space Acquisition Priorities Executive Session

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommendation to the BOCC

For much longer than Parks & Open Space's history of stewarding open space, the land in this community has been important to the diverse Indigenous communities that continue to thrive here. We are partnering with Indigenous people to make meaningful changes to how we do our work that include Indigenous people, incorporate their perspectives, and honor their land stewardship legacy. Parks & Open Space operates within modern legal constructs of land ownership to steward Boulder County open space and accomplish these efforts on behalf of our community.

This will be an executive session (closed to the public) because it will involve confidential real estate matters and negotiations relating to potential open space acquisitions.

When POSAC is ready to enter executive session for this topic, a member of POSAC should make the following motion:

I move that POSAC enter executive session in accordance with CRS 24-6-402(4)(a) for the purpose of discussing confidential real estate matters and negotiations relating to potential open space acquisitions.

During this executive session, POSAC members should ask any questions they may have about specific properties that are of interest to them for potential future open space. Property-specific questions cannot be addressed during open session of POSAC retreats, where confidential negotiations cannot be divulged.



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2023 POSAC Retreat Goodhue Farmhouse at Rock Creek Farm

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AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Bylaws and Chair Guide Refresher

PRESENTER: Vivienne Jannatpour, Public Information Officer

All items are for discussion only and will not require a decision by POSAC at this time.

Current POSAC members have been on the committee for varying lengths of time, and the retreat is a good time to revisit your role and review some procedures and policies, including public outreach and engagement. We'll also discuss special circumstances with hybrid and remote meetings now that it's our new normal. We'll also look what topics and field trips are coming to POSAC in 2023 and discuss what other topics and field trips you would like us to plan. There will be time for questions and discussion.



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AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Update from Indigenous Ways and Land Commitment

Team

PRESENTER: Justin Atherton-Wood and Carrie Cimo

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The Indigenous Ways and Land Commitment Team is a group of interdisciplinary staff working to identify and promote Indigenous Land Commitment Principles for Parks & Open Space. This Land Commitment approach is more action- and future-focused than a Land Acknowledgement statement since Land Acknowledgements tend to focus primarily on the constructs of property and occupancy. An update on the team's work to date will be provided.

A bit of background. In 2019, staff members Mary Tiernan and Carrie Inoshita requested and received financial support from the Boulder County Parks and Open Space Foundation to support an effort to create a Land Acknowledgement for the department with guidance from a cultural consultant who identifies as Indigenous. An internal team of interested staff formed to outline a potential scope of work and identify a consultant to guide the department with this work. Our mentor/consultant in this work has been Dr. Doreen Martinez (Mescalero, Apache and Pennsylvania Dutch). She is recognized as a leader in this work. She is a professor at CSU in Indigenous Studies and one of the leaders in the creation of CSU's Land Acknowledgement Statement.

The team began working with Dr. Martinez the Fall of 2021 and quickly shifted from the idea of creating a Land Acknowledgement statement to developing a framework of Indigenous Land Commitment Principles that can be integrated into the department's values and on-going responsibility to care for the land. Over the course of 2022 and the return to more in-person gatherings, we made significant progress. In 2023, we foresee the opportunity to share the work and build support for this Land Commitment centered in Indigenous Principles of Natural Reason, the Collective, and Futures.

Our core team for 2022 was Carrie Cimo, Mary Tiernan, Sharla Benjamin, Raquel Robles, Jim Drew, Carrie Inoshita, Carol Beam, Kayla Greco, Justin Atherton-Wood, and Dr. Martinez. Members joining us in 2023 are Chris Trujillo and Monserrat Alvarez. Our team's rigorous effort in complicated times has yielded tremendous results. We look forward to sharing our progress with you.



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AGENDA ITEM TITLE: BCPOS Weed Management Program Review

PRESENTER: Joe Swanson, Sr. Invasive Plant Specialist/County Weed Coordinator

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This will be a general review of the POS Invasive plant program trends and activities.

I will provide an overview of our Invasive Plant Management workgroup and statistics on our Integrated Pest Management activities over the last 3-5 years. We'll discuss exciting new developments/technologies for Cheatgrass control and resulting ecological restoration achievements as seen through short- and long-term monitoring data from those treatments.