APA COLORADO
State Conference

Community & Character in Colorado
METRO TO RESORT
Steamboat Springs, CO
September 30th - October 2nd
2015
Wednesday, September 30, 2015
11:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Grand Ballroom
1.5 CM

Colorado & Western Water Law and Land Use Planning

Justice Gregory J. Hobbs Jr. — Justice Hobbs serves on the Colorado Supreme Court, having been appointed in 1996, and plans to retire in August 2015. He practiced law with an emphasis on water, environment, land use and transportation from 1972 to 1996.

Colorado is steeped in history, controversy and political diversion on the topic of water. Justice Hobbs will review the fundamental principles of Colorado and western water law in connection with land use planning. The discussion will include water supply principles analyzing historical maps, charts and photographs. Attendees should consider purchasing A Citizen’s Guide to Colorado Water Law in advance of the session.

Thursday, October 1, 2015
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM
Grand Ballroom
1 CM

The Fine Art of Small Talk

Debra Fine — A former engineer, Fine is an internationally recognized expert focused on cultivating communities via face to face communication.

Join nationally recognized keynote speaker, communication guru, and bestselling author Debra Fine for her fast paced, informative and interactive program The Fine Art of Small Talk. Together we’ll laugh, learn and leave with the tools to develop and cultivate outstanding conversation skills and business networking techniques that will result in engaging new and current community citizens and administrators, building rapport and increasing visibility. Learn how to turn every conversation into an opportunity for success.

Friday, October 2, 2015
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM
Grand Ballroom
1 CM

Community Character: How you do it….and why.

Jim DeFrancia — James M DeFrancia is the principal and co-owner of Lowe Enterprises, Inc., a privately held US real estate development company engaged nationally in residential, commercial and resort development and asset management. DeFrancia is a Life Trustee of the Urban Land Institute where he has participated in or chaired more than 20 Advisory Service Panels helping communities and organizations address strategic issues of land use, development and revitalization.

What do people mean by community character? Webster's Dictionary defines character as “…a set of qualities that make a place or thing different from other places or things.” In our cookie-cutter world, it’s important to understand the importance of defining each community’s and neighborhood’s individual character: How do you define it? How do you determine the elements of a particular area’s character? The definition is the real challenge. Let’s talk community character. What is it? How do you create and sustain it? Why is it so darn important?
Opening Reception – Resort Town Style

Wednesday, September 30, 2015
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

The Chief Theater
813 Lincoln Avenue, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487

Enjoy local beer, live music, and learn about local history in the newly renovated historic Chief Theater. Kick off the conference, get in touch with people you haven’t seen in a while and explore the downtown. Join us for happy hour at the Chief starting at 5 PM and an after party starting at about 8 PM at Schmiggity’s (two doors down from the Chief Theater). Light appetizers will be served.

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2015 Chapter Awards Reception

Thursday, October 1, 2015
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Sheraton Steamboat Springs
Pool tent

Good Planning. That’s what we’re celebrating. Join us at the Awards Reception on Thursday evening. Have a light appetizer and a drink on us as we celebrate our Chapter Award recipients.

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Friday Night Resort to Town Pub Crawl

Friday, October 2, 2015
5:30 PM

Close out the conference and explore the town with a pub crawl starting at the mountain, ending up in historic downtown Steamboat. Drink specials and events will happen throughout the night. We’ll provide a general schedule, or explore on your own.
Mobile Workshops

1:45 PM to 3:30 PM

Future Development at the Base Area: What Now?

1.5 CM

Rebecca Stone, AIA, LEED APBD+C, OZ Architecture, SPONSOR
Bob Keenan, City of Steamboat Springs, LOCAL HOST

A review of development properties that have come on board or been entitled since 2007 around the Steamboat Base Area. Sites include The Steamboat Grand Expansion, Thunderhead, Ski Times Square, Edgemont, St. Cloud, Gondola Square, Wildhorse Meadows, and Ptarmigan. The discussion-style tour will concentrate on the projects entitled in 2007 and what the market could actually support today.

3:30 PM to 5:15 PM

Steamboat Springs Historic Walking Tour

1.5 CM
Jan M. Kaminski
Tracy Barnett

Arianthe C. Stettner
Sally TeStrake

Come join fellow planners on a historic walking tour in downtown Steamboat Springs. View historic buildings and discuss preservation techniques and guidelines used in Steamboat to preserve historic resources, including the many challenges and opportunities. Head over to The Chief Theater after it’s over for the opening reception.

Professional Development Workshop

1:45 PM to 5:30 PM

Planner’s Boot Camp Workshop

Sunshine Peak

3 CMs (.5 Ethics)

Graham Billingsley, FAICP, Orion Planning Group, SPONSOR
Joanne Garnett, FAICP, Orion Planning Group, SPONSOR
Scott Bressler, AICP, AECOM
Matt Ashby, AICP, City of Cheyenne
Derek Holcomb, AICP, City of Centennial
Erin Bravo, City of Lakewood
William Skinner, AICP, Arapahoe County

Planners often find themselves thrown into the fray of local government without the tools needed for success. How do I manage a case load? How do I interact with the public or a developer? How do I handle myself during public presentations? These are just some of the topics that will be discussed to provide information to up-and-coming planning professionals.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2015

Breakfast
7:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Annual Board Meeting
8:00 AM to 9:00 AM

Mobile Workshops
10:15 AM to 12:00 PM

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Lunch Break
11:45AM to 1:30PM

Head slope side or downtown and spend a while eating and touring Steamboat Springs outside of the conference center. A few restaurants will be open on the mountain and downtown has several offerings for a quick bite or leisurely meal.

1:30 PM to 3:30 PM

Elkstone Farm Tour
1.5 CM
Alan Goldich, Routt County, LOCAL HOST
Terry Huffington, Elkstone Farm
Alex Berger
Natalie Savage

Elkstone Farm is an active permaculture farm just outside Steamboat Springs. Permaculture has its beginnings in Australia in the 1970s and is a design system for creating sustainable human environments and ecological landscapes that produce food. Permaculturists strive to mimic patterns found in nature by creating harmonious relationships between houses, plants, animals, soils and water. Learn more about permaculture, the Elkstone Farm story, water rights issues, augmentation plans as well as tour their greenhouses and gardens.

3:15 PM to 5:15 PM

Growing Green: Rocky Mountain Remedies Tour
1.5 CM
Robert Keenan, AICP, CFM
City of Steamboat Springs, LOCAL HOST
Ryan Fisher,
Rocky Mountain Remedies

RMR first opened its doors in August of 2009 and was the first retail recreational marijuana store in Steamboat. From seeds to infused products, this facility does it all. Come tour the grow facility, Marijuana Infused Product (MIP) facility while you learn about the issues involved with city and state regulations.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2015

Mobile Workshops
8:30 AM to 11:00 AM

Sustainable Buildings Walking Tour
1.5 CMs
Jim Cook, Colorado Group Realty
Erik Lobeck, Workshop L

Tour three green built, energy efficient sustainable buildings in Steamboat. Learn about the development/entitlement process, hurdles to this type of development, and discuss ideas on how to restructure codes to support sustainable development that responds to the needs of a changing population.

Closing Plenary & Lunch
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

1:30 PM to 4:30 PM

Bike Tour: Open Roads, Open Spaces
1.5 CMs
Tyler Goodman, Bike Town USA
Robert Keenan, AICP, CFM, City of Steamboat Springs, LOCAL HOST

If you feel a need for the outdoors, then consider ending your conference experience with a bike tour courtesy of Bike Town USA. The Steamboat Springs Bike Town, USA® Initiative’s mission is to promote safety, community enhancement, and economic benefits through cycling and recently won IMBA Bronze Ride Center designation. Ride your two-wheels on a tour of trails, open space and other properties in Steamboat. Enjoy lively discussions on partnerships, regulations and tax financing to develop existing and future trails, connections and facilities. Bring your own bike, or rent one from one of the many resort or downtown businesses.

Workshops
1:45 PM to 5:00 PM

Planning Commissioner Workshop: Ingredients for Success
Sunset
Bill Detweiller, Town of Castle Rock
Andy Hill, DOLA
Anne Miller, DOLA
Waverly Klaw, DOLA
Shay Ives, DOLA
Toby Stauffer, AICP, City of Steamboat Springs, LOCAL HOST

Join this interactive workshop to learn what it takes to run a successful planning commission. From running effective meetings to hot planning topics in Colorado, you’ll be sure to leave with new information, tools, and contacts. Seasoned or new planning commissioners and planning staff are invited to participate in this workshop that will include breakout discussions on meeting facilitation, development review, integrating hazards into your comprehensive plan, and planning for tourism.

AICP Exam Prep
Skyline
Tareq Wafai, AICP-PDO Clarion Associates, SPONSOR
Summer Frederick, AICP Clarion Associates, SPONSOR

The AICP fall exam is just around the corner. Experts from planning fields will give you the crash course you need to make your exam taking successful. This course is packed with practice questions - serving as an excellent cram session for the November 2015 testing window. It will also provide prospective 2016 exam takers with an introduction to the exam and tools for success.
In 2014, the City and County of Denver and its Partners, Colorado State University, Denver Museum of Nature & Science, History Colorado, and Western Stock Show Association, embarked on the re-visioning of the National Western Center in North Denver. The year-long master planning process involved community and stakeholders in a future site plan that celebrates western heritage, engages the river and natural environment, integrates surrounding neighborhoods and inspires community health and wellness, in addition to fostering innovation, intelligence, competition and commerce. Learn how sustainability and community health became fundamental to turning this historic site into a local community asset.

Oil and gas industry in Colorado has evolved significantly over the past few years in regards to technology and regulation. This session will provide planners with O&G 101 information, the newest surface regulations that have resulted from the recently concluded Governor’s Task Force. Expert professionals from the Oil and Gas Industry, COGCC, and Local Government will explore the impacts of new regulation resulting from the Task Force, and how the industry deals with processing applications.

Colleges are major economic engines for communities, so strengthening town and gown relationships is a high priority for cities across Colorado. Fort Collins is currently experiencing one of the biggest college growth periods in the city’s history, which has amplified the need for integrated planning and coordination. Lessons learned – both positive and negative – can help planners support the needs and vision for college campuses, the surrounding neighborhoods, and the community as a whole.

Representatives working on water sensitive land use planning in urban communities and local government representatives from resort communities dialogue about the similar and different ways these communities address water conservation and water sensitive land use planning.
3:30 – 5:00 PM

**A Band, A Bar & an Old Building: Engaging Brownfield Discussion**

*Sunset - 1.5 CMs*

Matt Ashby, AICP, City of Cheyenne  
Gene MacDonald, PE, Ayres Associates  
Adam Nims, DHM Design

Getting the public to engage in a public meeting is tough enough, but mention “EPA Brownfields Remediation” and watch their eyes glaze over. Join us to hear an approach to helping western communities battle boredom to inspire public interest (as well as developer investment) through creative marketing and public participation efforts in Brownfield projects. Learn how the use of an interactive social media platform engaged the public, and how a 3-D model of a Downtown neighborhood inspired a project video to explain the complexities of this four pronged approach to redevelopment. Find out how to engage the arts community and how to use non-traditional venues to garner project support. We’ll highlight some cutting edge tools like QR Codes, digital panorama visualizations and how branding has helped to communicate key project goals.

**Indicating Plans - Reference, Advisory or Regulatory?**

*Twilight- 1.5 CMs*

Bruce Meighen, AICP, Logan Simpson, SPONSOR  
Karl Barton, AICP, City of Loveland  
Shelby Sommer, AICP, LEED AP, Brendle Group

How can you use indicators to better articulate a community vision, shape land use plans, and improve plan implementation? The session will review three different approaches to a “performance” or “indicator” based plan. These new plans use monitoring programs instead of strictly policies to provide flexibility in reviewing projects. The discussion will focus on three different approaches - where meeting the indicator program is regulatory, where it is advisory, and where it is simply a reference point. Indicators will show examples of regional, comprehensive, and subarea approaches, using Teton View Regional Plan, Create Loveland, West Henderson, Nevada, and the Town of Jackson / Teton County Wyoming Comprehensive Plan.

**Connecting Climate Action with Transportation Planning**

*Rainbow - 1.5 CMs*

Kathleen Bracke, AICP, City of Boulder  
Randall Rutsch, AICP, City of Boulder  
Brett KenCairn, City of Boulder  
Carlos Hernandez, AICP  
Fox Tuttle Hernandez Transportation, Group, SPONSOR

Achieving the greenhouse gas (GHG) reductions needed to prevent catastrophic climate change requires significant reductions from the transportation sector. The Boulder 2014 Transportation Master Plan includes an integrated approach to planning and policy choices for GHG reduction. Included is a comprehensive GHG inventory for the transportation sector, exploration of GHG reduction strategies, the impacts of transit, the forecast of likely reductions from plan activities, and the reductions needed from energy source change and innovations.

**LAW: 2015 Legislative Update**

*Storm Peak (Ballroom) - 1.5 LAW CMs*

Eric Heil, JD, AICP, Heil Law & Planning, SPONSOR  
Sol Malick, Peak Government Affairs

Get your annual law fix with a comprehensive legal update for 2015 including a briefing of the 2015 Legislative Session and a review of case law on zoning, subdivisions, and development issues.

**Water Track: Planning As If Water Matters**

*Skyline - 1.5 CMs*

Peter Pollock, FAICP, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy  
Don Elliott, FAICP, Clarion Associates, SPONSOR  
Kevin Reidy, CO Water Conservation Board  
Marc Waage, PE, Denver Water

The Colorado Water and Growth Dialogue is demonstrating how much water can be saved by the way we choose to grow and developing a set of consensus-based recommended strategies for communities that can be incorporated into their planning. Which land use approaches and patterns show the greatest promise for reducing the water footprint of new development and redevelopment? What are the practical and effective strategies for achieving these land use approaches and patterns?
7:30 AM TO 9:00 AM
Breakfast Buffet

8:00 AM TO 9:00 AM
Grand Ballroom
Annual APA Colorado Chapter Board Meeting
Come meet the newly elected officers and say farewell to those that are leaving, review the 2015 financial report and discuss other events and happenings of the chapter.

9:00 AM TO 10:00 AM
Keynote: The Fine Art of Small Talk

10:15 AM – 11:45 AM
Ethics: A Play on Planning Ethics - Act II
Sunshine (Ballroom) - 1.5 CMs (Ethics)
Tareq Wafaie, AICP, Clarion Associates, SPONSOR
Abe Barge, AICP, City/County of Denver
J.J. Folsom, AICP, PUMA, Sponsor

Act II of the wildly popular ethics course last year. This melodramatic twist on ethics will allow the audience to shape the success or demise of the actors facing common ethical challenges in planning. The interactive session will explore the intricacies of the AICP Code of Ethics by using planner-actors that will take on-the-fly advice from the audience to guide them to the next “act”. Participants will learn how each decision along the way leads to violation or compliance with the Code of Ethics.

Livin’ Small: The Future of Tiny Houses and Micro-Units
Storm Peak - 1.5 CMs
Don Elliott, FAICP, Clarion Associates, SPONSOR
Tyler Gibbs, AIA, City of Steamboat, LOCAL HOST

America is downsizing – partly by choice and partly because smaller units are all they can afford. And the range of options available is exploding – everything from pre-fab vacation units to “Tiny Houses” to “Cottage Neighborhoods” to Micro-units of 300 sq. ft. or less. This session will explore the types of smaller housing units available, with examples of Colorado locations where they are being used. It will also look at these options as potential tools for affordable housing development and will examine the regulatory issues and options available for communities that want to accommodate them.

Transforming Suburban Arterials for Millennials and Active Boomers
Twilight - 1.5 CMs
Aaron Iverson, AICP, CTP, City of Fort Collins
Carlos Hernandez, AICP,
Fox Tuttle Hernandez Transportation Group, SPONSOR

The City of Fort Collins set out to reinvent an outdated suburban, commercial arterial. This car oriented, high speed, high volume roadway did not meet the needs of a growing part of the population, namely the millennial generation and active boomers who want to walk, bicycle and have easy access to transit. The effort, branded “Midtown in Motion”, addressed circulation for College Avenue (US 287) and connections to nearby MAX Bus Rapid Transit (BRT).

Workforce Housing Quick-Fire Challenge
Rainbow - 1.5 CMs
Melissa Sherburne, AICP, LEED AP, Brynn Grey Partners
David O’Neil, JD, Brynn Grey Partners
Tom Lyon, AIA, Wolf-Lyon Architects
Dan McCrerey, Brynn Grey Partners
Courtney Kennedy, Poplar Wellington, LLC

Do you live in a tourism-oriented community where housing is a challenge? Do you have a site within your community that you think would be ideal for workforce housing? As the leading developers of workforce housing in Colorado, our team will evaluate two sites on-the-fly to engage participants, share our process, and speak to critical attributes that make for ideal workforce housing opportunities.

Water Track: Tools for Managing Water Sustainability
Skyline - 1.5 CMs
Shelby Sommer, AICP, LEED AP, Brendle Group
Elizabeth Garvin, AICP, JD, Spencer Fane, SPONSOR
John Duggan, CDPHE
Cliff Lind, PLA, LEED AP, Otak

With growing populations and likely future strains on the state’s water supply, Colorado communities will benefit from proactive planning tools to best utilize their water resources. Tools presented include: source water protection plans, zoning for water conservation, low impact development design, and a net zero water planning tool which focuses on using only as much water as is naturally available and eliminating all water quality impacts within a defined site boundary.
1:45 PM – 3:15 PM

ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS (ADUs): The Durango Experience (2015 Honor Award)
Sunshine - 1.5 CMs
Vicki Vandegrift, AICP, City of Durango
Scott L. Shine, AICP, City of Durango

Accessory Dwelling Units – Are they the housing solution or just another attack on neighborhood stability? And what do you do with the hundreds of illegal ADUs already in existence? Come and see how the City of Durango balanced competing needs during a lengthy public process and now are in the throes of implementation involving hundreds of illegal units.

CARE AND FEEDING OF THE MILLENNIAL PLANNER
Rainbow - 1.5 CMs
Mark Jackson, AICP, City of Fort Collins
Paul Sizemore, AICP, PTP, City of Fort Collins
Rebecca Everette, AICP, City of Fort Collins

The next generation of planner brings new perspectives, skills and needs to the profession and workplace. Learn from a panel comprised of young planners, their immediate supervisors, and executive managers about the challenges and opportunities present if the Millennial Planner is welcomed and developed thoughtfully.

LAW: Uh-oh: Telecommunication Rules are Changing Again
Storm Peak - 1.5 CMs (LAW)
Don Elliott, FAICP, Esq., Clarion Associates, SPONSOR
Kristin Cisowski, Esq., LEED AP, Norton & Smith PC
Kathy Parker, Esq., Boulder County

The erection of a new telecommunications tower can be very controversial – so most communities try to discourage and limit them and instead encourage “co-location” of more antennas on fewer towers. Now the federal government has changed the co-location rules. This session will explore recent changes in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and new trends and best practices in telecommunications regulation.

SIRI SAYS: USING INTERACTIVE ONLINE TOOLS TO GATHER PUBLIC INPUT
Twilight - 1.5 CMs
Noré Winter, Winter & Company, SPONSOR
Cheney Bostic, LEED AP, Winter & Company, SPONSOR

Receiving valuable feedback for a project doesn’t have to mean corralling 100 community members into a room with cookies and tea for a presentation. New technologies expand the reach for community engagement in surveys and interactive planning activities. They can help gauge opinions on a wide range of policy issues and also enable participants to “build their own” scenarios for community development. Learn new and innovative online surveying techniques for your next planning project.

WATER: The Magic of Waterways: Planning and Designing Water Destinations; Striking a Balance Between Creating a Regional Destination and the Local Community’s Quality of Life
Skyline - 1.5 CMs
Nicole Horst, RLA, Wenk Associates
Rod Tarullo, CPRE, City of Golden
Tyler Gibbs, AIA, City of Steamboat Springs

Rivers and waterways are popular destinations that can raise conflicts between the requirements needed to create a regional attraction and the needs for local residents. This session will examine, through case studies of Steamboat Base Area’s Burgess Creek, Clear Creek Corridor in Golden, and the Yampa River in Steamboat Springs, how to balance local quality of life with large events that bring economic vitality.
3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

IS THERE A RECIPE FOR HEALTHY COMMUNITIES?
Key ingredients for building meaningful partnerships and lasting change
Twilight - 1.5 CMs
Jennifer Henninger, AICP, RG and Associates, SPONSOR
Sheila Lynch, AICP, Tri-County Health Department
Katie Guthrie, AICP, CanDo Loveland
Amy Oeth, AICP, Boulder County

Healthy community design is a hot topic in planning. Over the years, we’ve heard much about why health is important to planning, but how to incorporate health into the planning process remains challenging. So, what is the recipe for health? Does a single recipe for success exist? In this session we will present some key ingredients for building healthy communities. Through diverse Colorado examples and your participation, we will explore what elements can lead to thriving communities.

NEWS FROM THE SHARING ECONOMY: VRBOs, SHARE-CARS, AND MORE
Sunshine - 1.5 CMs
Matt Goebel, AICP, Esq., Clarion Associates, SPONSOR
Elizabeth Garvin, AICP, Esq., Spenser Fane, SPONSOR
Zachary Rothmier, Denver City Council
Don Elliott, FAICP, Clarion Associates, SPONSOR

The sharing economy is booming, from short-term rentals of homes to share car systems to barter businesses and shared-food cooperatives. It all sounds good, entrepreneurial, and socially equitable, but there can be a downside if the impacts of these new business forms affect public health and safety or upset their surrounding neighborhoods. But many of these trends arose so fast – and with so much ‘oomph’ behind them – that they caught planners and their plans and codes unawares. This session will review how communities across the U.S., and across Colorado, are thinking about the potential impacts of these activities and how they are revising their plans and zoning codes to address them.

PARKING FOR MILLENNIALS: IT’S GO TIME.
Storm Peak - 1.5 CMs
Carlos Hernandez, AICP, Fox Tuttle Hernandez Transportation Group, SPONSOR
Mac Cummins, AICP, City of Westminster

The cities of Boulder and Westminster, Colorado are transforming parking codes to address the placemaking needs of new mixed-use developments in former suburban commercial centers. This session highlights an exhaustive field study of parking demand at 25 locations.

QUICK AND EFFECTIVE VISIONING TOOLS FOR THE COMMUNITY PLANNING PROCESS: 3D MODELING AND HAND RENDERING
Rainbow - 1.5 CMs
Jim Leggitt, FAIA, studioINSITE
Cheney Bostic, LEED AP, Winter & Co, SPONSOR

Planning concepts are often difficult to understand for the general public or layperson. Visioning tools, such as 2D renderings and 3D models, have become necessary techniques for explaining concepts in a public setting. Learn various ways of communicating design and planning concepts that can meet tight deadlines and budgets while satisfying high client expectations.

WATER TRACK: FOR ALL THINGS WATER – A REGIONAL APPROACH IS THE ONLY APPROACH
Skyline - 1.5 CMs
Rocky Piro, FAICP, PhD, UC Denver
John Duggan, CDPHE
Susan A. Wood, AICP, RTD

Natural resources transcend artificial boundaries so successful planning efforts must use a regional approach and be designed to reach beyond and across manmade jurisdictional lines. Watersheds and water quality are both natural features that require regional collaboration. Positive benefits of good watershed management include connected green space, habitat protection, and recreational opportunities, while the negative impacts of poor management can include flooding and missed opportunities. Similarly, protection of water quality is dependent upon properly placed land uses (regardless of jurisdictional limits); implementation of best management practices; and an understanding of site conditions. Join us to learn the importance of planning and protecting water and watersheds in Colorado.

Awards Reception
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM
Pool Tent
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2015

7:30 AM TO 8:30 AM
Light Breakfast - ballroom

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

**Community Planning without Public Schools? A Case for Planners in Education**
Rainbow - 1.5 CMs
Melanie Sloan, UC Denver
Carrie Makarewica, PhD, UC Denver
Candace H. Stowell, AICP

Although comprehensive planning has evolved to include many facets of community life, it does not include education. Indeed, planners’ zoning of residential and commercial development, promotion of affordable housing, and design of bike/ped routes, transit routes, and parks and recreation facilities impact schools, their students’ educational outcomes, and family life. School district planners site schools and facilitate school choice policies that impact the land use and mobility plans of their community peers. Shouldn’t these overlap?

**DIY Planning: Low Risk, High Rewards for Building Community**
Sunshine (Ballroom) - 1.5 CMs
Steve Chester, City/County of Denver
Lisa Gedguadas, Create Denver
David Sachs, Denver Streetsblog
Matt Prosser, Economic & Planning Systems

DIY Planning is an emerging trend in planning that communities are beginning to embrace as a way to implement creative place-making improvements with limited resources. DIY aims to leverage the community, give citizens a voice, create new partnerships and provide the framework and support to enact change in neighborhoods. The session will provide a “how-to” for low risk, low cost programs that create high returns by enabling communities to prototype new ideas and generate community buy-in.

**Healthy Places: Designing an Active Arvada**
Skyline - 1.5 CMs
Rose Chavez, City of Arvada
Jessica Prosser, AICP, City of Arvada
Wesley Dismore, City of Arvada
JJ Folsom, AICP, PUMA, SPONSOR

ULI in partnership with the Colorado Health Foundation awarded $1M each to three communities as part of the Healthy Places Initiative (HPI): Designing an Active Colorado. Through community-led processes, HPI is helping Colorado communities become healthier places to live, work and play. HPI aims to increase physical activity by fostering a built environment where it is easier, safer and more appealing to walk, bike, play and engage in daily activities that encourage movement, connection and fun.

**LAW: New Directions for Sign Regulations**
Storm Peak - 1.5 CMs (LAW)
Todd G. Messenger, Esq., Fairfield & Woods PC
Derek Holcomb, AICP, City of Centennial
Brian Connolly, Esq., Otten Johnson Robinson Neff & Ragonetti, SPONSOR
Marcus McAskin, Esq., Widner Michow & Cox, LLP

In 2015, the Supreme Court considered the case of Reed v. Gilbert, which focused on the question of how to determine whether a sign code is “content-based” (and therefore presumptively unconstitutional) or “content-neutral” (and therefore potentially permissible under the First Amendment). This session will review the impact of the Court’s decision on traditional sign codes, and provide guidance for sign code reform using Centennial, Colorado’s sign regulations as an example of a strictly content-neutral approach.

**Progression of Parking Policy: Steamboat Springs, Fort Collins, and Denver**
Twilight - 1.5 CMs
Seth Lorson, AICP, City of Fort Collins
Tyler Gibbs, AIA, City of Steamboat Springs, LOCAL HOST
Sean Mackin, City/County of Denver

This session will case study three Colorado downtowns that are at various stages in the progression of their parking policy, implementation, and operations. Steamboat Springs, Fort Collins, and Denver, despite their different sizes and diverse communities, all have parking challenges – both actual and perceived. Regardless, the community discussion regarding parking management is often controversial. Representatives of each community will outline their issues, steps taken toward remedy, and their current/planned solutions.

**BREAK**
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM
Sponsored by:
**10:15 AM – 11:45 AM**

**Coordination and Priorities for Transit and Specialized Transportation**

**Skyline - 1.5 CMs**
Hannah Polow, AICP, Steer Davies Gleave
Chris Proud, AICP, Steer Davies Gleave
Brian Vitulli, Mountain Metropolitan Transit
Angel Bond, Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments

In this jointly-created project led by Mountain Metropolitan Transit and Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments, the project team updated both the transit and specialized transportation plan. The project team considered a variety of issues associated with transit and specialized transportation to coordinate specialized transportation providers, create potential transit scenarios, maximize budgets and balancing priorities among transit service improvements.

**Managing Marijuana**

**Storm Peak - 1.5 CMs (.5 Law)**
Tamra Allen, AICP, Garfield County
Heather Beattie, Garfield County
John Leybourne, Town of Carbondale

Amendment 64 and Amendment 20 have had a significant impact on our communities in regard to land use as it relates to the legalization of both medical and recreational marijuana. This session will explore the laws in which communities must abide as well as proposed legislation, pending lawsuits and other federal legislation. Representatives from specific communities will discuss the process in which regulations have been formed as well as the issues in designing and enforcing regulations. In addition, there will be information about the state-wide sales tax implications of medical and recreational marijuana.

**Cross-Jurisdiction Collaboration for Local Planning**

**Twilight - 1.5 CMs**
Jay Renkens, AICP, MIG
Matt Prosser, Economic & Planning Systems
Jessica Juriga, PE, AICP, Toole Design
Anna Garcia, Denver Regional Council of Governments

DRCOG received a HUD Sustainable Communities Partnership award that allowed municipalities, counties, state agencies, economic groups, housing authorities, and corporate interests to join with non-profit, philanthropic and academic organizations working to leverage the planned multi-billion dollar expansion of the FasTracks transit system to meet other regional needs and opportunities. The work was designed to support collaborative cross-jurisdictional and inter-agency planning and development along three EAGLE P3 transit corridors scheduled to open in 2016.

**Keeping It Rural**

**Sunshine (Ballroom) - 1.5 CMs**
Jeanette L. Bare, AICP, Douglas County
Dan Avery, AICP, Douglas County
Matt Williams, PE, CFM, Douglas County

While Douglas County continues to experience high levels of urban growth, the majority of its acreage remains rural in character. This course will explore changes in rural lifestyle expectations and the corresponding shift in permitted rural land use types and development standards over the last 20 years. Showcasing various planning, engineering, and building issues, the presentation will deconstruct the County’s recent efforts to accommodate wedding venues in its agricultural zone district.

**If Planners Plan Why Don’t Architects Arch?**

**Rainbow - 1.5 CMs**
Ignacio Correa-Ortiz, RTD

What do planning, architecture, urban design and graffiti have in common? Learn an approach to urban design that is community based.

**Closing Plenary & Lunch**

12:00 PM to 1:30 PM
1:45 PM – 3:15 PM

Connecting Community Initiatives: Main Street, Creatives and their role in solidifying community vision
Twilight - 1.5 CMs
Carrie McCool, McCool Development Solutions, SPONSOR
Katherine Correll, Downtown Colorado Inc.
Tara Marshall, City of Trinidad

Struggling with how to continue the positive momentum from separate community initiatives? Learn how to solidify your community’s vision by capitalizing on great planning successes, community champions, citizens and partnership resources as they represent an important community bond that is truly the building blocks of community consensus. Hear about how the City of Trinidad utilized their comprehensive plan update process to connect and strengthen their community initiatives to ensure their community vision becomes a reality.

Politics and Land Use: 30 Years on the Northwest Parkway
Rainbow - 1.5 CMs
Kirk Oglesby, AICP, City/County Broomfield
Graham Billingsley, FAICP, Orion Planning Group, SPONSOR

It was 1985 and the battle lines were drawn. C-470 was complete. Beltway fever was in the air. Annexation wars had begun. Coors and Jefferson County commissioners met on a strategy to extend the beltway to Golden and beyond. Boulder and Boulder County vowed to stop the project through DRCOG. Come and learn your planning history how Boulder County and Broomfield forged IGAs turning developable land into pastoral open space pierced by the Northwest Parkway.

Walk & Wheel - Moving Communities Forward
Storm Peak (Ballroom) - 1.5 CMs
Tristan Sanders, Kaiser Permanente
Tessa Gregor, City of Fort Collins
Pepper Whitleff, City of Pueblo
Debbie Wilmot, City of Lafayette

Many Colorado communities are rapidly evolving in the active transportation realm, navigating how to implement bicycle/pedestrian improvements within existing transportation networks to encourage a broader cross-section of people to walk and bike for every day trips. This session will highlight how Fort Collins, Lafayette, and Pueblo are moving ahead as grantees funded under Kaiser’s Walk & Wheel program. Their projects will encourage participants to think about solutions and opportunities in their own communities.

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Developing and Employing Performance Indicators for Urban Sustainability
Rainbow - 1.5 CMs
Austin Troy, PhD, UC Denver
Rocky Piro, FAICP, PhD, UC Denver
John Knott, City Craft Ventures
Chris Starkey, LEED AP, Terrapin Bright Green

This session teaches attendees about some of the best practices and latest trends in developing and implementing sustainability indicators in the urban context, and explores how this information can be integrated into planning and zoning efforts.

Emerging Trends in Transportation Planning Practice
Twilight - 1.5 CMs
Jim Charlier, AICP, Charlier Associates Inc.
Carlos Hernandez, AICP, Fox Tuttle Hernandez Transportation Group, SPONSOR
Patrick Picard, AICP, Charlier Associates
Drew Stiehl, UC Denver

No planning discipline is experiencing more rapid change than transportation planning. This session will examine three important areas of emerging practice – use of “big data” to evaluate trends in local and regional travel behavior; estimating and forecasting vehicle miles of travel as an alternative to expensive and cumbersome traffic models, and planning for the issues and opportunities associated with the coming surge in electric vehicles.

Beyond the Public Meeting: What’s Right for Your Plan?
Storm Peak (Ballroom) - 1.5 CMs
Scott Robinson, AICP, City of Louisville
Lauren Trice, NCI, City of Louisville

Find out how Louisville has moved beyond the standard public meeting to use alternative inputs to define community character, including statistically relevant visual preference surveys, online forums, fiscal modeling, children’s design workshops, and social media. With these inputs, along with typical public meetings, Louisville has achieved broad-based support for small area plans and a preservation master plan.
PlanFinder
planfinder.apacolorado.org

This mobile-responsive, online map is a user-driven database of planning projects across the state. By sharing feedback, case studies and lessons learned, the planning community can connect with peers working on similar projects or with relevant experience and insights.

Planners can submit new projects, or comment on and like projects already in the system. These projects can be tagged and filtered by:

- Project Type
- Community Size
- Budget

Support the planning community of practice by sharing your case studies and lessons learned!

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To Downtown Steamboat Springs

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