



**Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control, and Greenway District
Citizens Advisory Group Meeting Agenda Friday, April 12th, 2024
In Person at Fountain City Hall 116 S. Main Street
and Via Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/99749871376>
(Meetings are open to the public)**

1. Call to Order, Establish Quorum and Introductions

In attendance:

Terry Hart, Committee Chair
Hannah Mooney, Watershed Outreach Coordinator
Annie Berlemann, CSU
Jessica Mills, Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District
Ian Hartley, Citizen at Large
Alli Schuch, Executive Director
Mary Barber, Vice Chair
David Woolley, City of Fountain
Anthony Carlson, 6035 Strategies

Introduction of guests:

Lisa Pace- Senior Water Conservation Specialist Colorado Springs Utilities
Colorado College- GIS Class

2. Approve Meeting Agenda

Member Mills made a motion to approve the April Agenda, which was seconded by Member Hartley. The motion was unanimously agreed upon. The April Meeting Agenda was approved.

3. Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)

a. March 8th, 2024

There were no changes to the March minutes, Chair Hart called consensus to approve the March Meeting Minutes.

4. Committee Member Comments

None.

5. Reports:

- a. Governing Board – Alli/Terry
 - i. Met on 15th of March
 - ii. Gary Barber provided an overview of the District's History and Inception
 - iii. Gillian Rossi presented on the riparian Manitou Creek Walk Project
 - iv. Alli Schuch provided a branding update with minor modifications
 - v. Planning a new branding launch party on May 16th after Liquid Lecture at Red Leg Brewery

- vi. The next meeting is April 19th at 9 am, and Richard Mulledy will be presenting on updating Colorado Springs Stormwater IGA
- b. Projects - Alli
 - i. Transformative Landscape Change Challenge- Colorado Water Conservation Board The District will support a grant application for any member government interested in this program to convert bluegrass to native plants.
 - ii. MHYC will be starting maintenance on three district projects: Confluence Park, 13th Street, and Highway 47 (removing nonnatives, reseeding, planting willows, and repairing riprap from last year's storm)
- c. MMFAC - Alli
 - i. Met in March and identified a landowner issue on Overton Road where 400ft of productive land was lost, horse stables are currently at risk. Steve Rodriguez will be meeting with landowners to gauge interest in district partnership
 - ii. CDOT will be providing a review of the Highway 50 project
 - iii. Design reviews for Southnoor Drive, Eagle Ridge, and Highway 47 are complete
 - iv. Meet next Wednesday, April 17th, at 10 am via Zoom
- d. TAC – Mark/Annie
 - i. Met on April 3rd, and listened to 3 presentations:
 - ii. RV Park North of Pueblo Stormwater Impacts
 - iii. Ann Werner, and Dr. Brian Milbachlerr with USAFA: Managing stormwater impacts on Jackson Creek
 - iv. Jenny Bishop: Direct and indirect potable reuse potential in the Fountain Creek Watershed
 - v. TAC is still looking at the In Lieu Fee for Sustainable funding Resource
- e. Website - Mary
 - i. Accessibility Policy in the works, requirement by July, will be brought forward to the board
 - ii. Content creation for the Education tab
- f. WOC- Hannah/ Susan
 - i. Great American Cleanup - April 27th
 - ii. Registration, Material Pickup and Rain barrel Pickup, Crew Leader Training for Safety
 - iii. Concrete Coyote Earth Day Activities
 - iv. Ride the Watershed Bike Tour- May 31st
 - v. Liquid Lecture at OCC Birding- Hosted by David Wooley
- g. AFCURE – Andra/Annie
 - i. Met April 2nd
 - ii. Continues to work through WOTUS issues (Waters of the US). House and Senate Bill to address how the state could manage and permit gap waters.

6. Presentations:

- a. Summer Watering- Colorado Springs Utilities Rebates: Lisa Pace
 - i. SB 24-005 was recently approved which prohibited the government and HOAs from installing bluegrass (highwater turf grass)
 - ii. Promote living landscapes and native grasses for residential focuses on day-a-week watering
 - iii. Paying customers to take out turf grass
- b. GIS/ Geomorphology on Fountain Creek: Colorado College Students
 - i. FCWD 13th Street Project Assessment 2017:
 - 1. Elevation profiles using ArcGIS comparing Fountain Creek main creek channel and developing channel
 - ii. Future Project and Reference Sites:

1. Most concerning of the sites identified were already active District projects
2. Looking at channel migration and channel width, the group identified multiple high-priority future project sites at Old Pueblo Road, County Line Road, and Fountain Creek North of Pueblo Proper

7. New Business: None

8. Old Business:

- a. FCWD Strategic Planning
 - i. Alli Schuch- Executive Director, Fountain Creek Watershed District
 1. Executive Scuch presented updated Purpose, Mission, Vision, Values, Positioning
 - ii. Mary Barber- Strategic Planning Discussion
 1. Member Barber presented the list of objectives from the strategic plan such as sustainable funding, and enhancing partnerships, and discussed how the CAG supports the goals and objectives to better assist the board with District business.

9. Public Comment: None

10. Next Meeting:

- a. CAG: May 10 via Zoom 9:30- 11:30 am
- b. June/ July: No business but joint CAG/TAC tour (TBD)
- c. August: In person
- d. September: In person

11. Adjourn

Member Hartley made a motion to adjourn the meeting and members present were in consensus. The April CAG meeting was adjourned.