

September 2016

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Mayor Joyce Jay

Mayor's Matters is your connection to learn about the great things happening in the City of Wheat Ridge!

Feel free to share this newsletter with any friends or family who may wish to know more about our great city.



Wadsworth Widening Project

The project purpose is to transform Wadsworth from 35th Avenue to I-70 into a multimodal facility that enhances regional mobility; provides local accessibility; and supports a livable, walkable mixed use corridor. Visit the City website to see the design changes, Wadsworth Environmental Assessment and the history of this project. <http://co-wheatridge3.civicplus.com/1517/Wadsworth-Widening>

Coffee with the Mayor

Regularly scheduled Coffee with the Mayor
resumes Saturday October 1st.
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. at Vinnola's
7750 W. 38th Ave.



City of Wheat Ridge and Wheat Ridge Business Association Honored the 2016 Business Award Winners on September 27th

Business of the Year - Li'l Nicks Pizza and West 29 Restaurant and Bar

Reinvestment Award - Creative Learning Center and HOME Collective

Cultural Commission Award – Blu Iron Photography

City Council Partnership Award- Wheat Ridge Active Transportation Advisory Team

Mayor's Partnership Award – Kevin Robb Studio



Back Row – Blu Hartkopp, Blu Iron Photography; Adam Wylie, Active Transportation Advisory Team; Nick Quintano, Bob Quintano, Lil Nick's Pizza; Mary and Bud Starker, Robert Cherenzia, Cory Matthews, West 29th Restaurant and Bar; Dan Mitzner, Creative Learning Center; Front Row: Liz Keltner, hOME Collective; Kevin and Diane Robb, Kevin Robb Studios, Rachel Baumel, Creative Learning Center

Open House

Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan Update
Wednesday, October 5th
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Wheat Ridge Recreation Center
Further information [website link](#)

Crime in Wheat Ridge

Are you interested in an aerial 30,000-foot view of crime in your community? Visit the following link <http://www.ci.wheatridge.co.us/Archive.aspx?AMID=68> to view a presentation on crime and issues facing the Wheat Ridge community at Police Department Annual Reports for information on your police department and crime in the community. Citizens can also access information about crime in their neighborhoods by visiting the following link <http://www.ci.wheatridge.co.us/457/Neighborhood-Crime-Statistics> at Neighborhood Crime Statistics

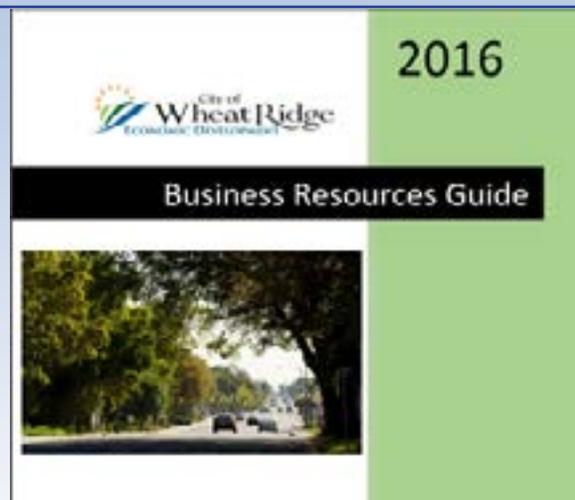
Community Outreach



Sergeant Jamie Watson has been invited by the Denver Kehila Resource Group to speak to Jewish communities throughout the Metro Denver Area at their Community Policing: Open Doors for Collaboration event on October 30, 2016. Sergeant Watson has been involved in working with the Denver Kehila Resource Group to broaden law enforcement's understanding of the cultural and religious behaviors associated with the orthodox Jewish community, and working with this community to explain law enforcement's role in today's society.

The City of Wheat Ridge 2016 Business Resource Guide

is available online at
[http://co-wheatridge3.civicplus.com/
DocumentCenter/View/24042](http://co-wheatridge3.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/24042)





2016 Election

**November 8th is
Election Day.**

Visit the City website for important information regarding the 2016 Election at the following link.

<http://co-wheat-ridge3.civicplus.com/1317/2016-Ballot-Issues>

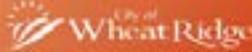
You're Invited

To Celebrate the Completion of the Kipling Trail
Saturday, October 15, 2016, Ceremony begins at 9:15 am
Kipling Trailhead, 42nd and Kipling Street

Bicycle enthusiasts are invited to join the ATAT and community leaders for a ride to the event at 9 am. Meet in the Wheat Ridge High School parking lot and police officers will lead bicyclists to the event. Refreshments will be served.

If you would like more information contact Heather Geyer hgeyer@ci.wheatridge.co.us or 303-235-2826

 **ATAT**
ACTIVE TRAILS ASSOCIATION OF TELLER COUNTY

 **City of Wheat Ridge**

Coffee with District III Council Members Pond and Fitzgerald

**Saturday, October 8, 2016
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Wheat Ridge Recreation Center, Activity Room 2
4005 Kipling Street**

Mark your calendars –

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic School's "Cool Duo 5K Run, Walk and Craft Fair"
Saturday, October 1st at 8:30 a.m. Registration begins at 7:00 a.m.

Save the date-

**October 29th
Trunk or Treat
Ridge at 38
<http://ridgeat38.com/>
information link above**



Flooding – What Else Can You Do?

In the August Mayor's Matters, we talked about what you should do before, during, and after a flood. This month, we wanted to discuss a couple of things that you can do to help yourself and the City to reduce the potential damage in case of a flood. Remember we are all at risk of flooding some of us are just at a much higher risk. If you are not sure if you are in a floodplain, contact City Engineer Mark Westberg at 303-235-2863.

If you live in a floodplain:

- Most improvements on your property require you to obtain a floodplain permit from the City. A permit is required for the construction of new structures, additions, fences, storage sheds, the placement of fill, or storage of materials.
- The purpose of the permit is to ensure that what you do will not increase your risk of damage from flooding.
- In addition, we want to make sure that what you do will not increase your neighbor's risk of damage from flooding.

If you don't live in a floodplain:

- Even if you do not live near Clear Creek or Lena Gulch, you may still be at risk from flooding. 60% of the flood claims for Wheat Ridge have been for properties that are not in a designated floodplain.
- Many improvements that require a floodplain permit, also require a building permit or are governed by City Code regulations regardless of the floodplain status. New structures, additions, and larger sheds require a building permit.
- While fences and smaller sheds do not require a building permit, the location, height, and other features may be regulated by the City Code. Many of those regulations help reduce the impact of your improvements on your neighbors, and may also help reduce the risk of damage from flooding. For instance, keeping sheds away from property lines may prevent the shed from blocking a drainage path.

What we can all do:

- Much of the floodplain within the City is located in open space areas. By taking good care of these areas, we can all help to protect the natural functions of the floodplain.



**Wheat Ridge
Recreation Center
Save the Date
Saturday,
October 22nd**

For more information about the Mayor's Matters e-newsletter, please contact Carly Lorentz, Assistant to the City Manager clorentz@ci.wheatridge.co.us