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City of Wheat Ridge files response to legal challenge of voter-approved Home Rule Charter amendment

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Wheat Ridge, CO – Today, the City of Wheat Ridge filed its response in Jefferson County District Court to the lawsuit brought by Quadrant Wheat Ridge Corners, LLC. The lawsuit challenges the Home Rule Charter amendment put in place by voter-approved [Ballot Question 300](#) in two ways: it challenges the authority of voters to weigh in on the use of tax increment financing for redevelopment projects and it challenges the constitutionality of the retrospective provision of the law, as applied to the Wheat Ridge Corners project at the southwest corner of 38th Avenue and Wadsworth Blvd.

In response to the first challenge, the City of Wheat Ridge is defending the Charter provision requiring voter approval for future redevelopment projects receiving more than \$2.5 million in tax increment financing from the City. Regarding the second challenge, which deals with the constitutionality of Ballot Question 300 as applied to the Wheat Ridge Corners project, the City of Wheat Ridge is remaining neutral.

“This is an important issue for the City and for our citizens, and we look forward to the lawsuit being resolved,” said Patrick Goff, City Manager.

[Read the complaint filed by Quadrant Wheat Ridge Corners, LLC.](#)

[Read the City’s response to the complaint](#)

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