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Below is a copy of the Golden City Council's calendar. Council meetings and study sessions are scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. Thursdays in Council Chambers at City Hall, 911 10th St., unless otherwise noted.

July 7 Study Session
July 14 REGULAR MEETING
July 21 Study Session
July 28 REGULAR MEETING

Council's upcoming agendas and previous meeting minutes are available online at www.cityofgolden.net under the City Council link, or by calling the City Clerk's office at 303-384-8015.

City of Golden Department Managers

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Want to Run for Council?

Now is the time to start thinking about whether you’d like to run for a seat on the Golden City Council.

The City of Golden will hold a general municipal election on Nov. 1, 2005. It will be a mail ballot election coordinated with Jefferson County. Councilors for Wards One, Two, Three and Four will be elected.

If you’re interested in representing your Ward, or you know someone who is, nomination petitions can be taken out through the City Clerk’s Office and circulated beginning Aug. 2, 2005. Petitions must include the valid signatures of 25 registered electors who live in the ward the petitioner is running from. Nomination petitions are due back to the City Clerk’s Office by Aug. 22, 2005.

To be eligible to run for office per the City of Golden Charter Section 3.4, you must:

☐ Be an elector (registered voter) of the City of Golden;
☐ Be a citizen of the United States for at least five years;
☐ Have resided in the City for at least one year immediately preceding the election;
☐ Be a resident and elector (registered voter) in the ward when nominated and elected.

Contact City Clerk Susan Brooks at sbrooks@ci.golden.co.us or 303-384-8014 for more information.

Pine Ridge, Big Tree and Overlook on Upcoming Agendas

Each month, City Council and the other boards and commissions work on a number of topics and issues of interest to the community. This new regular feature in the Golden Informer will identify some of the items of greater community interest that are likely to be scheduled for community discussion in the coming weeks. For specific information on agendas and schedules, please visit our City Web site at www.cityofgolden.com. You can also subscribe to receive e-mail updates through the Web site for items that are of a regular interest to you.

Land use cases in which property is proposed to be developed or redeveloped are the types of projects that often generate substantial community discussion. This month, there are three land use cases in the process of community evaluation and discussion.

PINE RIDGE ROAD PRELIMINARY SUBDIVISION PLAT

The area of Golden west of State Highway 93 at Pine Ridge Road is known as the Canyon View Business Park. In the northwest part of this property there is a vacant 18-acre parcel zoned for either residential or office uses. The zoning was granted in 2000 when the property was annexed to Golden.

Recently, McStain Enterprises applied for a preliminary subdivision plat for 57 homes on the site. Planning Commission held two public hearings on the request earlier this year, and recommended that City Council deny the proposed subdivision. Planning Commission felt that although the proposal meets the zoning of the property, it does not sufficiently conform to the City’s Comprehensive Plan.

Council also held two meetings on the case, but then sent the request back to Planning Commission with a request that Planning Commission more specifically define its reasons for recommending denial of the project.

Planning Commission completed that discussion June 1 and formally adopted a resolution stating the reasons for recommending denial on June 15. If McStain Enterprises chooses to continue, City Council must hold another public hearing and, based upon the more complete record and Planning Commission findings, decide whether to approve or deny the subdivision.

Watch for a Council agenda item online at www.cityofgolden.net. continued on Page 18
The Golden Lions Club hosts a spectacular fireworks display for the public every Independence Day at Lions Park. The Golden Fire Department encourages you to view a public display, as using fireworks at home is illegal in Golden.

The 34th Annual Golden Lions Club Fourth of July Festival will be held in Lions Park, 10th and Maple streets in Golden on Monday, July 4. This day-long event will feature food, entertainment, live bands and will culminate with a spectacular fireworks show around 9:30 p.m.

The Golden Lions Club is giving back to the community again this year with FREE KIDS RIDES! There will be paddleboats in the lake, a climbing wall, the trackless train and many more.

The Fourth of July Raffle, starting at 1 p.m. this year, will feature a $1,000 grand prize, as well as TVs, radios, patio furniture, camera equipment, camping gear: more than 100 prizes drawn in all. Raffle tickets may be purchased from any Lions Club member for $1 each, or a book of 10 for $5, and you do not need to be present to win. To buy your raffle tickets, look for the Lions Club Fourth of July Festival.

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Since the Independence Day holiday is often viewed as synonymous with fireworks, the Golden Fire Department would like to remind the citizens we serve about fireworks laws in the City of Golden. It is our hope that you will also provide this information to family and friends who may be visiting our beautiful community from out of town. Hopefully, this information will enable everyone to enjoy a fun and much more safe holiday.

For about 15 years, fireworks laws in the state of Colorado have been confusing to many. Since 1991, the state has had laws and regulations about fireworks. The confusion has usually centered around which fireworks are permissible and which are not by definition in the statute. Also, questions have surrounded the minimum required age for those who use permissible fireworks without adult supervision. Basically, any firework device that leaves the ground or explodes is illegal in Colorado.

Because Golden is a Home Rule city, we have the ability to further regulate fireworks. In 2002, the City of Golden did just that. During the height of the drought, the City investigated what would be the best way to mitigate fire dangers during our highest risk dry season when firefighting resources were stretched beyond the norm.

Golden City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1592 in June 2002, prohibiting the sale and use of ALL fireworks in the City of Golden.

It is still legal to possess state permissible fireworks, so long as one does not intend to sell them. Furthermore, the ordinance allows people to choose to take permissible fireworks to areas of the state where their use is legal.

The City’s ordinance further includes the stipulation of a minimum $200 fine for those convicted of violating the ordinance.

During the first couple of years of this new ordinance, the Golden Fire Department used an educational approach, making citizens aware of the ordinance and giving them a warning. Since that time, the Fire Department has been aggressively enforcing the fireworks laws of the City due to the many safety hazards associated with fireworks. This year will be no exception, as the Fire Department will be out patrolling the City to enforce the fireworks ordinance.

The Golden Fire Department wants everyone to enjoy a trouble free and safe holiday. Please help out by visiting the supervised and permitted public displays in the City of Golden at Heritage Square on July 2 and Lions Park on July 4 (for more information, see the Community Calendar on Page 19 and stories below).

To report a fireworks violation, please call the Police Department’s non-emergency number, 303-384-8045. To report a fire, call 9-1-1.

Lions Raffle Raises Money for Community

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Lions Club members in front of Foss Drug Store, Safeway, and King Soopers, Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon through July 4.

The Fourth of July Festival Raffle is a major fund-raiser for the Golden Lions and all proceeds from this family event go toward the club’s Community Betterment Fund. This fund has been used in the past to finance numerous construction projects around town that Golden residents enjoy every day. The concession building at Ulysses Park, the restrooms at 12th and Arapahoe streets, the pavilions in Lions Park and Norman D. Park, and picnic tables and benches all around Golden have all been funded by the Community Betterment Fund. This summer, the Club’s project will be to erect a new pavilion in Beverly Heights Park. Your generous raffle ticket purchases help make all of this happen.

Come on out and celebrate the holiday, show your community spirit, and help support a very good cause: the Golden Lions Club’s Community Betterment Fund. For more information on this day-long event and a map to the park, visit www.GoldenLionsClub.org.

Using Fireworks is Illegal in Golden

HERITAGE SQUARE FIREWORKS JULY 2

Celebrate this Independence Day weekend at Heritage Square with entertainment all weekend long: street performers, karaoke, amusement rides, go-karts, miniature golf, petting zoo and ponies, paddle boats, Heritage Railroad, alpine slide, children’s theatre and music hall dinner theatre, unique shops and gifts, food and drinks.

Heritage Square has planned a FIREWORKS DISPLAY for Saturday, July 2. Don’t miss it! For more information on the event, visit www.heritagesquare.info.
The Regional Air Quality Council is asking citizens to take care of their summer air by making voluntary changes in behavior to ensure that the Front Range region will continue to meet federal air quality standards. During the summer months, hot and stagnant air leads to increases in ground-level ozone pollution. While the Denver-metro region is in compliance with the new, stricter ozone standard set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, it continues to flirt with the limit. The region has until 2007 to maintain compliance and receive an official attainment designation from the federal government.

Ground-level ozone pollution is formed when emissions from everyday items combine with other pollutants and “cook” in the heat and sunlight. Sources of such emissions include local industry, gasoline-powered vehicles and lawn equipment and household paints, stains, and solvents. Weather also plays a key role in ozone formation. The highest ozone levels are usually recorded when temperatures approach the high 80s and 90s and when the wind is stagnant or light.

While weather conditions are uncontrollable, citizens can limit ozone formation by modifying simple day-to-day activities on the go, around the yard and at home. The following voluntary actions can help all of us breathe easier and enjoy outdoor activities during the summer months:

- Stop at the click – do not overfill gas tanks after refueling.
- Keep vehicles regularly maintained.
- Tighten gas caps after refueling.
- Mow in the evening.
- Refuel in the evening.
- Use new earth-friendly lawn equipment.

By participating in these ozone reduction strategies, you can help keep Golden a healthy, clean city in which to live, work and play. To find out about current air quality conditions, visit [www.OzoneAware.org](http://www.OzoneAware.org) or call the 24-hour hotline number at 303-758-4848.

City Vehicles Undergo Gas Cap Testing to Help Reduce Ground-Level Ozone

The City of Golden is participating in a unique pilot program being offered by the Regional Air Quality Council (RAQC) this summer in order to test gas caps on local government fleet vehicles.

The gas cap testing program is part of the RAQC’s ground-level ozone outreach campaign called “Let’s take care of our summer air,” launched June 1. The Local Government Fleet Gas Cap Testing Program is an important part of the RAQC’s efforts.

Faulty or missing gas caps can leak up to one gallon of gasoline every two weeks, which contributes to ground-level ozone in the Denver-metro area. To help reduce ozone levels in our area, the City of Golden’s Fleet Division will participate in the program, testing City vehicles to ensure that they all have properly functioning gas caps. This helps the City save money in fuel costs, as well as helping to reduce ozone formation.

As part of the gas cap testing program, the Fleet Division will receive a gas cap testing kit provided by the RAQC. The Fleet Manager is then responsible for testing the gasoline vehicles, as well as tracking whether the vehicles pass or fail. For the vehicles with failing gas caps, the RAQC will purchase replacement gas caps free of charge.

For questions regarding this program, contact Sarah Schmitz at sschmitz@raqc.org. For more information on the RAQC’s ozone outreach efforts, visit: [www.OzoneAware.org](http://www.OzoneAware.org).

Phone Book Recycling

Phone book recycling will begin July 1 and run through Aug. 5 with a slight location change. The phone book recycling bin will be moved this year from the Jackson Street Safeway to the parking lot of the First United Methodist Church at 1500 Ford St. It will be located in the parking lot near Jackson and 16th Streets. This is not far from the old location, but locating the bin at the Safeway was problematic this year due to construction at the store.

The City of Golden is pleased to offer its citizens the opportunity to recycle their old phonebooks and hope you will take advantage of the opportunity. We thank Golden’s First United Methodist Church for generously donating the space to the City for the bins.

For more information on phone book recycling, call Chris Naber in the Golden Environmental Services Division at 303-384-8183.
**Community Grants Available**

Have you ever had an idea for making your community a better place, if only you had some funds to work with? Well now, you can make those dreams a reality, thanks to $10,000 provided to the City of Golden by the LMC Community Foundation. The money is to be used for small grants to grassroots efforts designed to improve the connectedness and health of neighborhoods in Golden.

Projects are limited only by your imagination. In the past, the LMC Community Foundation has made awards for neighborhood parks, block parties, signage, and street, sidewalk and path repairs.

The process to award funds to neighborhood efforts is simple and informal. To participate, individuals come together and determine the community issue they want to address. The group submits an application to the City Manager’s Office, attention: Denise Hish, 911 10th St., Golden, CO 80401; or dhish@ci.golden.co.us. No deadline has been set, but the grant money will be awarded to deserving projects on a first-come, first-served basis.

Because the City granted $3,000 for benches to be installed at the South Illinois Open Space area, only $7,000 of the original $10,000 gift remains. So get your application in now! Applications can be submitted in any form you choose, but should include the following information:

- Contact person, mailing address and daytime phone number.
- Describe the neighborhood or community that will be the beneficiary of the grant.
- List the people working with you on this proposed project.
- What is the opportunity or area of concern in your community that your group has organized to address?
- How will this strengthen or connect your neighborhood?
- How will you implement your idea and what is your time frame?
- How many people in the community will this project impact?
- What is the total cost of the project?
- Will your proposal receive funding from other sources?
  - If yes, from whom and when?
- How will this program or project financially sustain itself beyond the initial start-up?
- How will you evaluate the success of this program?

Successful applicants will be expected to submit a final report describing the results of the project and the lessons learned. Most grants are expected to be less than $900 each, but the City will consider more expensive projects if justified by the expected impact. For more information or if you have questions, call 303-384-8011.

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**Mulch Pile Moved**

The City of Golden’s mulch pile — where you can pick up free mulch for all your landscaping needs — has moved from the busy recreation areas near Lions Park in the kayak course and ballfields parking lot on 10th Street to the dirt lot next to the Friendship Garden on 11th and Maple Streets, just west of Clear Creek History Park.

The City of Golden also reminds you that you can properly dispose of many landscaping wastes through the Rooney Road Recycling Center. Open from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays, the facility will be open through Oct. 31.

The facility accepts grass, leaves and ground or chipped wood (Category I materials); clean, unpainted/untreated wood, pallets, lumber, brush, tree limbs, sod and soil, sawdust and logs (Category II materials).

Call 303-316-6262 for directions and drop-off fees.

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**Golden Cemetery**

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- Upright monuments
- Single and family sites
- Cremation garden
- Columbarium niches
- Veterans section
- Special rates for Golden residents
- Open to non-Golden residents

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FREE Irrigation Audits

Save water, money and create a healthier landscape by tuning up your irrigation system this summer.

The City of Golden, in partnership with the Center for ReSource Conservation, is offering free irrigation system audits to residents. An irrigation audit will determine the application rate and application uniformity of the system. The auditor will also check soil type, root depth and sprinkler pressure to help determine how the efficiency of the system can be improved upon and to develop an appropriate watering schedule for the landscape.

Contact the Center for ReSource Conservation at 303-441-3278, ext. 10, to put your name on the schedule for an audit. Audits will be conducted through August and are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis.

How Often do Park Sprinklers Run?

If you live next to or frequent a park or a ballfield, you might get the impression that the sprinklers run all night nearly every night. In some cases, you may be correct — but that doesn’t mean the City of Golden is wasting water or overwatering its parks. The City’s Parks irrigation staff conduct multiple calculations to determine how to most efficiently water the turf, keeping it green and healthy, while minimizing runoff.

There are a number of techniques the Parks staff use to get the most out of Golden’s irrigation water in the parks system. The irrigation industry standard to ensure season-long green grass is to apply 2-inches of water each week. Golden’s maximum water rate for parks has been 1.25-inches of water per week — this is a 37 percent reduction from the industry standard.

Plus, the City only applies that 1.25-inches of water if the temperature is more than 92 degrees Fahrenheit. When temperatures are between 75 and 92 degrees, the City only applies up to 0.8-inches of water per week. This is a 60 percent reduction from the industry standard.

“Night owls” will notice that park sprinklers may run for about an 11-minute cycle, shut off for a couple of hours, and then come back on again for another 11-minute cycle, shut off again and come back on for a third 11-minute cycle of watering. Golden’s irrigation zones typically run three times each night. This allows water to soak into the ground, reducing wasteful runoff.

Golden’s thunderstorms rarely provide more than 0.2-inches of rain. Much of that rain runs off of ground surfaces. The parks need between 0.8- and 1.25-inches of water per week, which is why the park irrigation system may still run at night after a storm.

Golden’s parks have been fitted with rain sensors that will automatically shut off an irrigation system after 0.25-inches of rain has fallen. After a good, soaking rain, when we get an inch or two over three days, all park systems are turned off. Staff then monitors the sites until they show signs of stress before turning the system back on. This really gets the turfgrass and tree roots to go deeper for water.

All Golden parks are controlled by the latest solid-state technology. Zones are precisely programmed and watered to the minute. The overall programs are adjusted five to six times a year, depending on changes in average air temperature.

Drip zones are found throughout the City in planters and traffic islands — these provide water to trees and shrubs in a precise manner to minimize water evaporation and runoff.

For more information on Golden parks maintenance, call 303-384-8140.

Thanks for Sales Tax Refund

The City of Golden would like to extend its most sincere appreciation to those citizens eligible for the 2004 Sales Tax Refund who generously donated their refunds to a City program or department. The Golden Volunteer Fire Department received a record 36 donations, totaling $1,490. The Golden Senior Front Porch received eight donations and the Golden Cemetery received four donations. The Sales Tax refund is limited to senior, low-income and disabled Golden residents. The City thanks all those who donated the $40 refund back to the City.
The City of Golden is pleased to provide you with your Annual Water Quality Report. This report summarizes information about the quality of the water provided to you in 2004. It contains important information about the water you drink, where it comes from and how it is treated. There were no violations in the levels of substances detected in Golden's drinking water during 2004. Informed Golden consumers are the best advocates for safe drinking water and we welcome your input and feedback. The Environmental Services Division can be reached by calling 303-384-8181 or emailing esdiv@ci.golden.co.us. Or, you can learn more online at www.cityofgolden.net.

Golden's Drinking Water

The City of Golden's drinking water comes from the beautiful Rocky Mountains. The water flows into Clear Creek from melting snow or rainfall. The City receives the water directly from the Creek through a controllable gate where it flows into two holding ponds. This short-term storage promotes settling of solids before the water is pumped into the treatment basin.

Treatment starts in the rapid mix where coagulants are added (COAGULATION). This causes dirt and other solids to clump together to form “floc” (FLOCCULATION). As the particles get larger and heavier, they settle to the bottom of the basin (SEDIMENTATION) where they are continuously removed. This portion of the treatment process takes about two hours.

Then the clarified water flows to the filtration gallery where chlorine is added to destroy any harmful bacteria. Six large filter basins trap all remaining particles leaving the water clear and pathogen free. Each filter can process up to 2.5 million gallons per day for a total 15 million gallons (FILTRATION).

Treated water stored in the clearwell is pumped directly to nine tanks and two reservoirs throughout the City (DISTRIBUTION) before it is used by you, the consumers.
Understanding Water Quality

Did you know that the City of Golden monitors literally hundreds of parameters related to drinking water each year? On a routine basis, the City’s Environmental Services lab staff monitors the levels of chlorine, metals, disinfection byproducts, bacteria and organic carbon within the drinking water system.

- **CHLORINE** is used to destroy disease-producing microorganisms. The EPA requires the chlorine levels in drinking water to be no less than 0.2 mg/L and no greater than 4.0 mg/L.
- **COLIFORM** is a type of bacteria used as an indicator for bacterial growth. The EPA requires there be no coliform bacteria present in drinking water.
- **THMs/HAAs** are disinfection byproducts.
- **TOTAL ORGANIC CARBON** (TOC) is any organic carbon-containing compound in the water.
- **FLUORIDE** in drinking water is the same kind you receive at a dentist’s office through a fluoride treatment. Water filters remove fluoride. Fluoride is not added to drinking water, as it is naturally present in the water. The EPA has set strict guidelines that fluoride levels should be no more than 4.0 mg/L.

Other common water tests conducted at homes and businesses include:

- **pH** measures the acidity of a solution as an “index” of the amount of hydrogen ions present in a substance and affects many chemical and biological processes. Acidity increases due to mine draining, industrial waste and acid precipitation. pH is measured on a scale of 0 to 14, with a neutral pH at 7. A pH less than 7 is acidic, with more hydrogen ions; and a pH greater than 7 is basic and has more hydroxide ions. Most natural water has a pH value between 5.0 and 8.5. The EPA sets the drinking water standards of pH to between 6.5 and 8.5. All water with a pH of less than 5.0 or greater than 8.5 should be viewed as suspicious.
- **TURBIDITY** is the clarity of water. Clear water has a low turbidity, while murky water has a high turbidity. Sources include small particles suspended in water, such as algae, clay microorganisms, silt, organic chemicals, decaying vegetation or chemical wastes. **Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTUs)** in drinking water that cause it to appear “cloudy” or “dirty” are often the result of a dirty hot water heater or pipes. Turbidity in drinking water can be no greater than 0.5 units.
- **ALKALINITY** measures the ability of the water to neutralize (or buffer) acids and keep the pH from changing. Sources include rocks, soils, salts, plant activities and certain wastewater discharges. High water alkalinity causes higher algae and plant growth, while low alkalinity indicates that the water's ability to buffer acids is poor. If there are drastic changes in alkalinity, many chemical and biological processes will be affected. Acceptable levels in fresh water range from 20 to 200 mg/L. Levels below 10 mg/L indicate that water is susceptible to changes in pH.
- **HARDNESS** is the concentration of calcium and magnesium in the water. In Colorado, most water hardness comes from calcium. Hardness can be easily seen in any white build-up in showers or on faucets, for example. Hardness levels from 0 to 60 mg/L are soft, from 60 to 120 mg/L are moderately hard, and 120 to 180 mg/L are hard, and 180 mg/L or more are very hard.

If you would like your water tested, or you have questions about a test done at your home, call the City of Golden’s Environmental Services Laboratory at 303-384-8181. Golden’s Water Treatment Plant and Laboratory are at 1445 10th St. For a tour of the Water Treatment Plant, please call 303-384-8187.

Golden's Drinking Water Source

Golden's drinking water source is exclusively Clear Creek and its tributaries. As it flows through the watershed, water may pick up substances from construction and highway maintenance, mining and remediation projects, land and rock slides, septic systems and pollutants transported by stormwater runoff. Contaminants that may be present in our raw water source include: bacteria and viruses, salts and metals, pesticides and herbicides from agricultural runoff, organics contaminants from petroleum spills and gas stations and radioactive contaminants that are naturally occurring or from mining activity.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA has set regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems.
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**Potential Sources**
- Decay of Natural Deposits
- Fertilizer Run-off
- Natural Run-off
- Naturally present in environment
- By-product of Chlorination
- Erosion of Natural Deposits
- Drinking water disinfectant

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*Highest single measurement for 2004. Monthly averages must be less than 0.5 ntu 95% of the time.
**100% of all turbidity measurements were less than 0.5 NTU in 2004

Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor for turbidity because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.

### Glossary of Terms and Definitions

- **MCL**: Maximum Contaminant Level
- **MCLG**: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, the level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- **Treatment Technique (TT)**: a required process intended to reduce the level of contaminant in drinking water instead of an MCL
- **Running Annual Average (RAA)**: an annual average based on weekly or quarterly monitoring
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)**: the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water
- **Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL)**: non-enforceable levels that primarily affect the aesthetic quality of drinking water
- **ppm**: parts per million – corresponds to 1-inch in 16 miles
- **ppb**: parts per billion – corresponds to 1-inch in 16,000 miles
- **NTU**: Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, used to measure water clarity
- **pCi/L**: picocuries per liter, used to measure radioactivity
- **n/a**: not applicable

### More Water Resources

The City of Golden wants its water customers to be informed about the water utility. For more information about water quality, visit the following related Web sites:

- **City of Golden**: [www.cityofgolden.net](http://www.cityofgolden.net)
- **Colorado Water Protection Project**: [www.ourwater.org](http://www.ourwater.org)
- **Drinking water standards**: [www.epa.gov/safewater/standards.html](http://www.epa.gov/safewater/standards.html)
- **Backflow prevention**: [www.backflow.org](http://www.backflow.org) or [www.abpa.org](http://www.abpa.org)

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**If You Have Special Health Concerns:**

Because not all contaminants can be completely eliminated, all drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised individuals such as persons undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, those with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders and some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk for infection. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, or to receive a copy of the EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants, contact the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline toll free at 1-800-426-4791.
**All About Stormwater**

Picture the grime of City streets: oil and gas from cars and trucks, lawn chemicals and fertilizers, pet waste, and trash. Now picture those same streets after a rainstorm. The streets look cleaner, right? Sure, but the debris and contaminants haven’t disappeared — they’ve been washed down the streets, into storm drains, through underground pipes and directly into Clear Creek (or one of its tributaries).

This type of pollution is known as urban runoff. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency considers urban runoff to be the greatest threat to our nation’s water quality. The good news is that there are a number of ways to help reduce urban runoff pollution:

- Fix automotive leaks as soon as they’re discovered;
- Store antifreeze and gasoline in closed containers and dispose of them properly*;
- Clean up after your pets;
- Keep lids secure on outside garbage cans;
- Use chemical alternatives for household cleaners and the lawn and garden;
- Wash your car on the lawn or take it to a car wash; and,
- Don’t litter!

* You can take household chemicals and yard waste to the Rooney Road Recycling Center for proper disposal. Schedule an appointment or get more information by calling 303-316-6262.

**Storm Sewer vs. Sanitary Sewer**

There are two distinct sewer systems in the City of Golden. The STORM SEWER system is designed to drain water from the streets to prevent flooding. Any water that flows down gutters and into storm drains goes directly to Clear Creek without any treatment. Storm drain inlets do not remove pollutants. The SANITARY SEWER system transports wastewater from residential and commercial drains inside buildings to the wastewater treatment plant (located north of the Coors Brewing Co. complex). There, the wastewater is treated until it is clean enough to discharge back into Clear Creek.

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**Golden’s Water Plant and Collaborations with CSM**

The Golden Water Plant continues to participate in the “Partnership for Safe Water.” This voluntary program is managed by the American Water Works Association and encourages participants to go beyond the regulations in pursuit of aesthetically pleasing, high quality water. Participation in the program entails adherence to rigorous goals, including: professionalism of operations staff, consistent production of high quality water, well defined operational goals, and managerial support. You can learn more about the Partnership for Safe Water online at [www.awwa.org/Science/partnership/index.htm](http://www.awwa.org/Science/partnership/index.htm).

In November 2001, Golden’s City Council unanimously approved formalization of a partnership between Colorado School of Mines and the Golden Water Plant. In May 2003, the results of this partnership led to the formal dedication of a “Pilot Plant Laboratory” by Golden Mayor Chuck Baroch, CSM VP. Nigel Middleton. In 2004, CSM students and Golden staff researched “Deep Bed Filtration” in the pilot lab. The study indicated that by implementing Deep Bed Filtration in Golden’s Water Plant, significantly more water could be treated without increasing the number of filters. It would also help optimize filtration efficiency during periods of high particulate loading in Clear Creek, such as spring runoff. In the future, the City will examine Deep Bed Filtration technology full scale.

You can learn more about the various programs online at [www.mines.edu/Academic/envsci/curriculum/ctl.html](http://www.mines.edu/Academic/envsci/curriculum/ctl.html).
Golden is fortunate to have talented and dedicated citizens serving on its various boards and commissions. Established in 1982, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is no exception. It’s composed of seven members and one alternate, all of whom dedicate an exceptional amount of time during their 4-year terms to making Golden’s parks, trails and recreation facilities first rate. The Board meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of each month in Council Chambers at City Hall, 911 10th St. All meetings are open to the public.

The Parks and Recreation Board gives Goldenites a voice in the development and maintenance of their parks and recreation amenities. Eligible Golden citizens may apply for open board positions, are interviewed by City Council and appointed by the Mayor.

The parks board serves in an advisory capacity to both the Planning Commission and City Council. Among other things, the board provides input about policies and procedures, fees and charges, park land acceptance and parks design. Oftentimes, the Parks Board collaborates with other boards, like the Historic Preservation Board or Planning Commission, when there is a project that overlaps two or more City departments.

Because all the projects on the last Parks and Recreation Master Plan have been completed, the current Board is creating a new Master Plan that will tie into Golden’s Comprehensive Plan and will incorporate such parks and recreation concerns as need, space, function, demographic changes and so forth.

Sharing their values for the Board, former Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Chair and current Board member, Jerry Hodgden, and the current Chair, Mary Ellen Keskimaki, stress the importance of having an array of programs that are fiscally sound and that accommodate the various age groups and interests of both Goldenites and visitors.

They also emphasize maintaining a balance between parks, trails and recreation facility development with the need to preserve open space. They both highlight the importance of developing easily maintainable projects that create social opportunities and community spirit, and that would ideally draw in revenue either directly or indirectly.

Hodgden and Keskimaki outlined the following as future City priorities for parks and recreation:

- Expansion and remodel of the Community Center;
- Improvements at Grampsas Park;
- Development of a park on Illinois Street;
- Continued cooperation with Jefferson County for the development of soccer fields at the old Rooney Road landfill;
- Collaboration with the Colorado School of Mines to expand the Clear Creek Trail (on the school’s property south of Clear Creek);

Of course, there are many other projects the board would like to see come to fruition, as well.

With summer in full swing, it’s definitely well worth the time to check out some of Golden’s wonderful parks and recreation amenities, such as: Fossil Trace Golf Club, open to the golfing and non-golfing public, offering golf, scenic views, and fine dining; The Splash family water park; Clear Creek Whitewater Course; the Golden Community Center; the dog park; the sports fields; and the City’s various trails.

For more information on Parks and Recreation amenities in Golden, call 303-384-8100.
Q: Does the City of Golden have a leash law?

A: Yes. City Ordinance #7.05.010 prohibits running at-large. The ordinance states that it is illegal for “any animal-owner to permit an animal, except a domesticated house cat, to run at-large within the City.” The ordinance does permit animals to be off a leash on the owner’s property, provided that the animal is secured by a fence or the owner can ensure it does not leave the boundaries of the property. The ordinance also allows dogs in City-designated off-leash facilities, such as dog parks, as long as the owner complies with posted rules and regulations. The City of Golden does have an off-leash dog park located at Tony Grampsas Park, 4471 Salvia St., near W. 44th Ave.

If you have any Code Enforcement related questions please call the Golden Police Department at 303-384-8045 and ask to speak to a Code Enforcement Officer, or search the Municipal Code online at www.cityofgolden.net.

Pet Safety in the Summer

Golden Police Code Enforcement Officers want to remind all dog owners of the dangers involving your pets in the hot summer months.

Please do not leave your pets locked inside a vehicle, even when running a quick errand.

Even if you leave all the car windows cracked, the interior temperature of a vehicle can get up to between 100- and 120-degrees in just 5 minutes. After just a few minutes of exposure to such intense heat, an animal can suffer heat exhaustion and risks irreversible brain damage.

If you leave your pets outside, make sure they have plenty of shade and fresh water to drink. By taking a few basic precautions, you can help ensure your pet’s health and wellbeing during the hot summer months.

Golden Code Enforcement Officers aggressively enforce animal cruelty complaints within the City. Failure to provide basic necessities to protect animals from the environment could result in an arrest of the pet’s owner(s). Fines range from $50 to $999 with court costs.

If you have questions or want to report any possible animal cruelty, please contact one of our Code Enforcement Officers at 303-384-8045.

Three New Reserve Officers Sworn In

On June 3, Golden City Clerk Susan Brooks swore in three new Golden Police Department Reserve Officers in Council Chambers at City Hall, 911 10th St.

Pictured from left to right, Alane “Spark” Taylor, James Mershon and Dr. James Barron were required to complete a 12-week Golden Police Department Reserve Academy successfully before being accepted as voluntary, public officers in the Golden Police Department.

The City of Golden congratulates and welcomes them.
Join Us Aug. 2 for National Night Out

The Golden Police Department is hosting its annual National Night Out at 5 p.m. Aug. 2 at Parfet Park, 10th Street and Washington Avenue in downtown Golden. National Night Out is an event sponsored by police and other law enforcement agencies throughout the United States to promote crime prevention and community involvement.

Free hot dogs, pizza, and root beer floats will be served by officers and volunteers of the Golden Police Department for all who attend.

Booths will be set up for attendees to see equipment used by various specialized teams of the police department, including SWAT, traffic and bicycle teams.

AirLife is expected to have one of its specialized medical helicopters land and be available for tours of the cockpit and transport bay.

Entertainment, face painting, clowns and games will be spread throughout the park to add to the fun and festivities; so turn on your lights, lock your doors and come out to meet your neighbors and Golden police officers, eat some food and have a lot of fun. For more information, call Officer Ryan Custer at 303-384-8193.

Police Host Citizens Academy

The Golden Police Department will host its annual Citizens Academy from Aug. 8 through Oct. 13. The Academy is focused on educating participants about the internal training and operations of law enforcement. Participants receive hands-on training and education in all aspects of police work, to include patrol procedures, firearms use, pursuit driving and arrest control techniques.

The Academy offers an excellent opportunity for citizens who want to learn more about the Golden Police Department or law enforcement in general. Participants will be expected to attend all classes and demonstrate active class participation. Certificates will be awarded during a final ceremony for all graduates.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:

- At least 21 years old
- Pass a criminal background check
- Possess a valid driver’s license
- Submit a letter of interest explaining why you are interested in attending the Academy
- Submit an application and signed liability waiver
- No residency requirement

Application packets are available at the Golden Police Department, 911 10th St., or on the City’s Web site at www.cityofgolden.net. The application deadline is July 11. For more information, call Officer Melissa Manzanares or Officer Marcus Williams at 303-384-8045.

Golden Police Officer Chris Kolin meets Spiderman at the 2004 National Night Out.
Preventing for Mosquito Season

Summer is upon us and with it comes mosquito season and the risk of contracting West Nile Virus. Mosquito season peaks in Colorado in July and August. In order to prevent as many cases of West Nile virus as possible, citizens need to take proper precautions.

While the virus causes little or no symptoms in approximately 80% of cases, others (of all ages) may experience serious illness and death. Severe symptoms include high fever, headache, neck stiffness, stupor, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, vision loss, numbness and paralysis. The best way to protect yourself, your family and your community from West Nile Virus, is to follow the four D’s:

• **DEET, Picaridin or Oil of Eucalyptus**: Wear insect repellent containing either DEET, Picaridin or oil of eucalyptus. Always follow label instructions and choose the concentration that best fits the amount of time spent outside. If using DEET, 25% DEET lasts up to 5 hours, 5% lasts 45 to 90 minutes.

• **DRAIN**: Drain or empty standing water around your home and neighborhood, since that is where mosquitoes lay their eggs.

• **DUSK/DAWN**: Take extra care to use repellent and protective clothing during evening and early morning (dusk and dawn), or consider avoiding outdoor activities during these times when mosquitoes are most active.

• **DRESS**: Dress in long sleeves and pants during dusk and dawn or in areas where mosquitoes are active.

City Works with Denver Zoo

The Denver Zoo’s Community Leadership Project promotes and facilitates environmental service-learning experiences for elementary school students and teachers. The CLP originated as an extension of Wonder in Nature – Wonders in Neighborhoods, the Denver Zoo’s award-winning wildlife conservation education program.

Service-learning is a hands-on educational strategy that combines community service with academic study. It provides educational experiences through which students learn and develop skills by addressing needs in their community. Environmental service-learning simply adds a context to the experience – the projects address environmental needs.

In addition to providing in-class lessons (which include live animals, hands-on activities, and strong interdisciplinary content), the CLP also provides teacher training (via workshops and individualized meetings), ongoing project consultation, and some equipment for project day.

The City of Golden has partnered with the Denver Zoo to provide the Water Warriors CLP to interested teachers at Shelton Elementary. Students in Ms. Heisman, Ms. Pattie and Ms. Ankele’s second grade classes and Ms. O’Haire’s sixth grade class learned about water conservation and water quality.

Students engaged in a variety of opportunities, including testing the water quality of a local water source and applying markers (medallions) with “No dumping – Drains to Clear Creek” messages to storm drain inlets. City staff from the Environmental Services Division assisted with these activities.

The City would like to thank the students and teachers at Shelton Elementary for their enthusiastic participation and community service. The City hopes to expand the program in the future to include more classes and additional projects. Call 303-384-8188 for more information.
Tai Chi and QiGong are the upcoming hot fitness classes, and we have plenty for you to choose from!

**TAI CHI CHUAN SUN STYLE PRACTICE**
8:15 to 8:45 p.m. Wednesdays
For practice, not for learning the form. $4 drop-in, or special $30 for 10-punch card (only valid for this class)

**QIGONG AND MEDITATION**
7:40 to 8:10 p.m. Wednesdays
Visualization and breathing (no chanting), along with qigong exercises.
$4 drop-in, or special $30 for 10-punch card (only valid for this class)

**TAI CHI CHUAN SUN STYLE**
6:35 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays
Great if you have joint problems.
$36 resident, $41 non-resident, $8 drop-in

**TAI CHI CHIH**
7:45 to 8:45 p.m. Wednesdays
Meditation in motion.
$36 resident, $41 non-resident, $8 drop-in

**TAI CHI CHIH AND QIGONG SAMPLER**
7:30 to 8:15 a.m. Saturdays
Coordinate your body, mind and spirit when your energy is at its best!
$18 resident, $23 non-resident, $8 drop-in

**Yoga is a great stretch and body balancer. Pick which one you want to do:**

**BEGINNING YOGA**
7 a.m. Wednesdays, July 13 through Aug. 3
Early morning is a good time for Yoga.
$24 resident, $29 non-resident, $8 drop-in

**YOGA 101**
11 a.m. Saturdays, July 9 through July 23
For people who aren’t advanced enough to take a beginning yoga class.
$18 resident, $23 non-resident, $8 drop-in

**POWER YOGA**
9:45 a.m. Saturdays, July 9 through July 23
Yoga that makes you sweat and work hard!
$18 resident, $23 non-resident, $8 drop-in

**INTRO TO PILATES**
7:30 p.m. Mondays, July 11 through 25
This one fills up fast, so sign up soon!
$20 resident, $25 non-resident, no drop-ins, please

**WEIGHT ROOM ORIENTATION**
6 p.m. Wednesday, July 13
Free for Silver Sneakers members, $5 all others

**TEEN WEIGHT ROOM ORIENTATION**
6 p.m. Wednesday, July 27
No charge, open only to youth ages 14 and 15 years old

**KUNDALINI YOGA**
7:30 to 8:45 p.m. Tuesdays OR Thursdays, or sign up for both!
Awaken the serpent and balance your energies.
$36 resident, $41 non-resident, $8 drop-in each class

Other great classes are available at the Golden Community Center. You can find them all online at [www.goldenrec.com](http://www.goldenrec.com) or by picking up our catalogue. Here is just a sampling of what’s currently available:

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**TEEN WEIGHT ROOM ORIENTATION**
6 p.m. Wednesday, July 27
No charge, open only to youth ages 14 and 15 years old

**BOOTCAMP**
6 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 12 through Aug. 18
$72 resident, $77 non-resident, $8 drop-in
Several Land Use Cases to be Heard by City Council

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BIG TREE MOBILE HOME PARK REZONING

For the past several years, the property along Jackson Street from 22nd to 23rd streets has been known as the Big Tree Mobile Home Park. Although the land was zoned for single family residences when Golden first adopted zoning in 1949, it was developed as a mobile home park in the 1950s and previously had provided camping and lodging facilities as the Golden Tourist Park.

The current owners have experienced increased costs and difficulties in recent years with the on-site utilities, large Cottonwood trees, and finding productive uses for the historic stone structures on the north end of the site. Earlier this year, the owners submitted a request to rezone the property in order to replace the 42 mobile home units with 30 new attached townhome residences. As a zoning change, neighborhood meetings and public hearings by both Planning Commission and City Council are required.

Planning Commission conducted two public hearings, and on June 1, voted to recommend approval of the request, subject to further review of the site plan. In making its recommendation, Planning Commission had to balance many issues, including historic preservation, loss of existing affordable housing, comprehensive plan goals regarding neighborhood change, and the deteriorating state of the current use of the property. Council’s public hearing may occur July 28, 2005. Be sure to check the City’s Web site, www.cityofgolden.net, for up to date agenda information.

OVERLOOK PROPERTY REZONING

Golden Residents in the area known as Golden Hills and Golden Heights know the Overlook property very well. These neighborhoods are located east of I-70 and south of U.S. Highway 6 near the Jefferson County Fairgrounds. The Overlook property is an approximately 20-acre parcel, bounded on the west by C-470 and I-70 with access from the end of West 4th Avenue.

It was originally zoned for industrial and commercial land uses when annexed in the late 1970s, but was subject to a City-initiated rezoning to residential single-family uses in 2004. The City-initiated rezoning was the result of a lengthy community debate about a proposed commercial project, and opposition by community groups both in Golden and Sixth Avenue Estates. The current zoning on the property is “RE,” which requires lots to be a minimum of 9,000 square feet.

The applicant in a newly filed request, Richmond American Homes, is proposing to change the zoning so that they can build smaller homes on smaller lots. This case has not yet been heard by Planning Commission, however, an introductory Planning Commission hearing on the case is tentatively scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 6 in Council Chambers at City Hall, 911 10th St.

For information about upcoming meetings in which these cases will be discussed, visit www.cityofgolden.net and view the agendas. For details on the proposals, call the Planning Department at 303-384-8097.

ENTER TO WIN!

Fill out this entry form and bring it to any participating Golden merchant this summer to enter the “When In Golden, Win In Golden” sweepstakes and have a chance to win one of the following great prizes:

PRIZES INCLUDE:

$500 Travel Voucher
Mystery Trip for Two
$250 Safeway Gift Certificate and a Weber Silver - A Gas Grill from Meyer’s Hardware
$500 Cash
$500 in Gas from Sinclair Gas Station and Convenience Store

Name
Address
City State Zip
Phone
E-mail

The above information may be used by City of Golden or participating businesses only, for future mailings. All prizes are final. Must be 18 years or older to enter and win. No purchase necessary for initial entry. New entry required for each of the following draw dates 6/15, 6/30, 7/15, 7/31, 8/15, and 8/31. Good luck!
**Golden Community Calendar**

**JULY 2**
**Heritage Square Fireworks**
Additional activities throughout Independence Day weekend. See Page 5 for more information.

**JULY 4**
**Lions Fourth of July Festival**
See Page 4 for more information.

**Jeffco Libraries Closed**
All Jefferson County public libraries will be closed Independence Day, Monday, July 4. Book drops will be open for returns.

**JULY 8**
**Golden Civic Foundation’s 14th Annual Good News Social**
The Golden Civic Foundation will host its 14th annual Good News Social at 5 p.m. July 8 at Foothills Art Center, 809 15th St. Three or four brief presentations on great things happening in Golden will be given at 6 p.m. Food and beverages will be provided. Cost is $15 per person. Call 303-278-9697 for reservations.

**JULY 14**
**Coffee with Councilors**
Ward 1 Councilor Dave Ketchum and District 1 Councilor Lynne Timpeiro meet for coffee, conversation and maybe even a light breakfast at 7:30 a.m. the second Thursday of each month at Cousins, 17695 S. Golden Road. The coffee is free. Golden citizens, particularly those in District One, are encouraged to stop by.

**JULY 16 THROUGH SEPT. 11**
**Rolling Thunder: Art from the Plains**
Foothills Art Center presents a summer blockbuster exhibition showcasing traditional and contemporary Native arts. Call 303-279-3922 for more info. Admission is free.

**JULY 27 THROUGH 31**
**Buffalo Bill Days**
See story at right for information.

**AUG. 2**
**National Night Out**
See Page 15 for more information.

**AUG. 19, 26, SEPT. 2, 9 & 16**
**Movies and Music in the Park**
GREAT (Golden Resource for Education Arts and Theater) and the City of Golden bring you Movies and Music in the Park. For five consecutive Friday nights at dusk, there will be a free, fun, family-friendly movie or music in Parfet Park. Due to industry regulations, the names of the movies cannot be published, so visit www.goldengreat.org.

**THROUGH AUG. 5**
**Clear Creek History Park Summer Sessions**
Kids will dig in the dirt, pan for gold, feed the chickens and more at Hands-On History Summer Sessions! Space is limited in this weeklong outdoor program and pre-registration is required. Call 303-278-3557.

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**Buffalo Bill Days**
**July 27 through 31**

Everyone is invited to attend Golden’s premiere community event, Buffalo Bill Days, July 27 through 31 in historic downtown Golden. Some of the fun-filled events include:

- a golf tournament at Golden’s award-winning Fossil Trace Golf Club;
- the Best in the West parade;
- children’s rides and games, including a new kiddie train ride;
- kayaking and climbing wall instruction;
- the perennial favorite, Mutton’ Bustin contest;
- arts, crafts and food booths;
- ‘40s and ‘50s car show;
- “Orphan” car show and Emergency Vehicle Operators show;
- a Wild West re-enactment and the Shady Ladies’ living history presentations;
- and nonstop free musical entertainment, including local favorites Blu Jazz, Route 66 and Sons of the ‘Burbs, Runaway Express, Pairadeux, Chris Daniels and the Kings, and Mem Shannon and the Membership;
- and much, much more!

The Buffalo Bill Days Committee believes there will be something of interest for every member of the family. Grab your kids and come on out to downtown Golden! For more information, call 303-384-0003 or visit www.buffalobilldays.com.

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To list a community event happening in Golden here, please send your listing to: Golden City Hall, Communications Dept., 911 10th St., Golden, CO 80401, or by e-mail to shenderson@ci.golden.co.us. Listings should include the date(s), the event name and a brief description of the event, which may include cost, location and contact information. Submissions must be received by the first of the month prior to the issue you would like them printed in (i.e., Jan. 1 for the February issue). Call 303-384-8132 with questions or for more information.
COME JOIN THE FUN AT THE SPLASH!

Come and join the fun at The Splash family water park, 3151 Illinois St. in Golden, just take U.S. Highway 6, head east on Jefferson County Parkway and follow the signs!

- NEW Fees
- Lower Season Pass Rates
- Children Under 2 FREE
- One Senior FREE with a Paying Guest
- Bring Your Picnic in With You
- NEW Birthday Party Packages

For more information, visit www.splashingolden.com or call 303-277-8700.