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Changes behind us; changes before us

2015 was a year of change for the City of Englewood. From organizational shifts to transitions in the development landscape and community demographics, Englewood is changing.

Likely the most significant change last year was our decision to contract with the Denver Fire Department to serve the community. The decision was not made lightly, but working with Denver provides greater resources and will save the City \$3.2 million in the first year alone. The transition was made easier by the fact that nearly all of Englewood's Firefighters were able to move to Denver or other organizations that offered opportunities for professional growth.

The City of Englewood also unveiled a Mission Statement in early 2015: *To promote and ensure a high quality of life, economic vitality, and a uniquely desirable community identity.*

Along the lines of helping us discover a uniquely desirable community identity, the City of Englewood initiated a branding project last spring that leveraged broad input from the community to develop an updated brand platform and marketing strategy.

Following the November Election, we welcomed three new City Council members: District 3 Council Member Laurett Barrentine and At Large Members Amy Martinez and Rita Russell. District 1 representative Joe Jefferson was re-elected. The City Council selected Joe Jefferson as Englewood's new Mayor and District 4 member Rick Gillit as Englewood's new Mayor Pro Tem. We bid farewell to former Mayor Randy Penn and Council Member Jill Wilson, who opted not to seek a third term, and to Council Member Bob McCaslin, who was term-limited. We are grateful for their leadership and service to the community over the last several years.

And the elected leadership isn't the only change as we look ahead to next year. We are also facing organizational adjustments as some long-time members of our executive management team have retired or prepare to retire.

We will soon implement a Priority Based Budgeting system in which the community will play an important role. Your input will help determine funding priorities. Input from the community will also be important in the coming year as we plan for updates to our Parks and Recreation Master Plan and additional improvements.

City staff have also begun a thorough analysis of City operations and are working to develop effective strategies on themes ranging from communications to infrastructure. (See details on page 3.) Successful implementation of the resulting strategies will help us provide better service for our community.

Watch for updates on these and other upcoming matters in future issues of the *Citizen* newsletter.



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Amy Martinez
City Council, At Large

Message from City Council

Happy New Year!

Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season!

During the 2015 election I was able to meet with many citizens and business owners who share the love of our city. Running for elected office is a very

rewarding experience; I encourage anyone who has an interest in improving our city to get involved by serving on a board or commission and to run for office when a position becomes available. I am completely honored to be elected to represent the citizens of our wonderful community!

Englewood is a great city and working together we can make it even better! There are many exciting things happening in our city. I am looking forward to working with Council in the coming year. A bright and positive future is ahead of us.

Being available to discuss issues with the citizens will always remain a top priority for me. I want to hear from you! I will listen to your ideas; respect your opinions and work hard to make sure we have a city we are proud of. Reach out to me by phone at 720-238-3959 or by email me anytime at amartinez@englewoodgov.org.

When we work together we can come up with creative solutions that will move Englewood forward.

We all love Englewood and can see such wonderful possibilities in our city. I want to make sure the entire community has the opportunity to thrive. I am always available to discuss any of your ideas, concerns and suggestions, contact me anytime!

Contact me: 720-238-3959 amartinez@englewoodgov.org

Englewood City Council

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Englewood City Council meetings are normally held the first and third Mondays of each month. The meetings are open to the public and interested parties are welcome to attend. If you plan to attend a meeting and you have a disability requiring auxiliary aids or services, please notify the City of Englewood (303-762-2405) at least 48 hours in advance of when services are needed.

Looking for volunteer opportunities?



Metro Volunteers helps connect Englewood residents with opportunities to volunteer in their community. Visit www.metrovolunteers.org/englewood to get started!

City implementing operational plan in 2016

City Manager Eric Keck unveils plans for the future

After his first year on the job, Englewood City Manager Eric Keck and the department directors have created an operational plan aimed at creating a higher performing culture within the City organization. The plan was the result of a thorough analysis of each department within the City. Four predominant themes emerged:

- the need for greater implementation and reliance on technology in the delivery of services;
- the need to create clear, functional and understandable processes;
- a strategy for defining personnel needs and related management of human capital; and
- the need to put a strategy and plan together to address the revenue and funding needs of the City for both the short and long term.

City staff at all levels are working together on several objectives associated with the above themes:

Strategic Plan – we will create a clear plan to help the City achieve its vision.

Communications and Marketing – We will develop a communications and marketing plan to help us more effectively reach both internal and external customers.

Customer Service – We will fine-tune our strategy to ensure excellent service delivery.

Technology – We will update our technology plan to help with the efficient, seamless, and accessible system implementation.

Loss Prevention – We will look closely at strategies to protect the human and physical assets with which the City is entrusted.

Processes – we will implement defined processes, procedures, and standards based on best practices in business.

Safety – The City will continue to proactively create and maintain a safe environment community-wide and for our employees.

Community Collaboration – Staff and City Council will look for new opportunities to collaborate with the community.

Infrastructure – We will develop a strategic plan to address our aging infrastructure systems (from water mains to streets and bridges to technology).

Human Capital/Employee Competencies – We are working to ensure that well-qualified, engaged and motivated employees are recruited and retained at the City. We also know it is important to develop clearer roles and responsibilities for our employees; to underscore the value of training and professional development; and to align goals and expectations with the City's mission, vision, and organizational values.

Revenue – We will work to create a new sustainable funding and revenue model.

Cost Containment – We are embarking on a concerted effort and strategy to help efficiently utilize the resources entrusted to the City.

Over the next year and beyond, our intent and hope is that residents and businesses who interact with the City of Englewood will notice a difference in the service level and attention to detail.

Ready for a weight-loss journey?

Join our Biggest Winner Challenge!

If the holiday season has left you wishing for a looser waistband, let the Englewood Recreation Center assist with your slim-down! The third annual Biggest Winner Challenge kicks off January 9. Join us for a kick-off party to get a jump start with health screenings, vendor information, free class demonstrations, and an initial weigh-in with personal trainers.

There are three categories: Teen (age 13-17); Adult (ages 18-54); and Senior (age 55 and up). At the end of the five-month program, the person who achieves the greatest percentage of weight loss in each category will receive a \$100 gift card and a one-year pass to the Englewood Recreation Center.

Biggest Winner Kick-off Party

Saturday, January 9
8:30 am – Noon

Englewood Recreation Center
1155 W. Oxford Avenue

Prices slashed at the Recreation Center!

Up to \$100 off passes to the Englewood Recreation Center in January! Visit front desk or see your winter Activity Guide for details!



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www.englewoodgov.org



Artist Discussion with Joel Swanson

Join MOA as artist Joel Swanson discusses his work in the current POLYSEMIC exhibition at MOA.

**Saturday, February 6
2 pm**

Hampden Hall
at Englewood Civic Center
1000 Englewood Pkwy.

This event is FREE and open to the public. Reserve your seat: info@moaonline.org or 303-806-0444.



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Library Events and Programs

Kaleidoscope Music

Sing, Shake, and Shimmy with Heroes from Around the World!

Thursday, January 14 • 4 pm

Community Room (2nd Floor)
Englewood Civic Center
1000 Englewood Parkway

An interactive musical journey with heroes past and present, encompassing geography, history, math, reading, science, and vocabulary. Let's celebrate courage, kindness, and creativity within the human spirit through singing, playing instruments, and dancing!

Make More Time for Creativity with Eleanor Brown

Wednesday, January 27 • 6:30 pm

Altenbach Room in the Library

New York Times bestselling author Eleanor Brown will help you find more time for your creative pursuits! Bring your planner to this hands-on workshop. Space is limited for this free class, so call 303-762-2555 to reserve your seat.

Super Bowl Tailgate

Sunday, February 7 • 1 pm

Altenbach Room in the Library
Watch the Super Bowl pregame coverage on a big screen and enjoy some Super Bowl snacks.



Cat Adoption Fair

Sunday, February 21 • 1 - 4 pm

Altenbach Room in the Library

Have a heart and adopt a cat! Rocky Mountain Feline Rescue will join us for an adoption and education fair. Stop by to play with some kittens, stay to learn about cat behavior and health.

Wednesday Writers' Group

First Wednesday of each month from 7 - 8 pm

Meet with us the first Wednesday of each month to discuss the craft of writing, practice writing prompts and exercises, share and critique work, and support each other. Bring up to four pages of your own work. Upcoming dates: January 6 and February 3, 7 - 8 pm

Please forgive our dust

We will be working on improvements to the Library's circulation area over the next several weeks, including the addition of self-checkout options.

You will still be able to visit and use the Library but don't be surprised if you notice some areas temporarily off-limits. Please give us a call if you have any questions.

The Library is Open 7 Days a Week!

Monday - Thursday: 10 am - 8:30 pm

Friday & Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm

Sunday: 1 - 5 pm

Englewood Public Library

1000 Englewood Parkway

www.englewoodgov.org/library • 303-762-2560

Free Workshops for first-time homebuyers

Wednesday, January 6
5:30 – 9:30 pm

Wednesday, March 9
5:30 – 9:30 pm

Malley Center

3380 S. Lincoln Street
(Peak Classroom)

Register online at the Colorado Housing Assistance Corporation's website (www.chaconline.org) or call 303-572-9445, ext. 3 and leave your name and number. For general information on the class, call Englewood's Community Development Department at 303-762-2347.

Safety Reminder from Denver Fire

Don't forget to test your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms!

Practice your home escape plan with the whole family. (You can download one at www.denvergov.org/fire.)



Inside Englewood's Boards & Commissions Urban Renewal Authority

The Englewood Urban Renewal Authority (EURA) is a commissioned body that works together with the development community, neighborhood groups, and City Council on creative redevelopment projects.

This year, EURA has been hard at work on several projects. At the forefront has been its partnership with Medici Communities to bring the planned Broadway + Acoma Lofts to downtown Englewood. The project is a mixed-use retail and 110-unit apartment community slated for the 3400 South Broadway in downtown Englewood. The site is currently a vacant lot with an adjacent parking lot on Acoma Street. Medici Communities is expected to break ground in spring 2016. The development is expected to vitalize downtown Englewood and attract new businesses to the area.

To garner interest for the redevelopment, the EURA commissioned local artist Sean Doherty to design and install 100 metal poppies as a sculpture garden on the corner of Broadway and Englewood Parkway. EURA would like to recognize and thank the groups that donated funds

Architectural renderings of the Broadway + Acoma Lofts, slated to break ground this spring at Broadway and Englewood Parkway.



for the 100 Poppies Project, including the Englewood Cultural Arts Commission, the Museum of Outdoor Arts, the Greater Englewood Chamber of Commerce, and Medici Communities.

Like all urban renewal authorities, the ultimate goal of the EURA is to eliminate and prevent blighted areas in our city. The Colorado Urban Renewal Act governs all of the state's urban renewal authorities and defines the criteria for blight designation. EURA focuses on partnering with property owners that are voluntarily seeking redevelopment opportunities. EURA projects conform to the city's comprehensive plan and require thoughtful consideration from all stakeholders and community members.

The EURA welcomes citizens to attend the Authority's monthly meetings, which are regularly scheduled on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm. You can learn more on the City's website (www.Englewoodgov.org), and look for the year-in-review newsletter on the EURA web page to learn more about how EURA serves the community of Englewood.

New Business Update

As space allows in the *Englewood Citizen*, we like to keep the community informed about new businesses in Englewood. The City of Englewood welcomes the following new businesses:

The Blue Chair + ReNew Upscale Resale

www.renewresale.org
3473 South Broadway
303-999-2000

Two of Englewood's downtown businesses have teamed up to provide the community with a unique and affordable shopping experience. The Blue Chair specializes in "New Old Bold" featuring custom-built pieces, as well as upcycling and restoring old furniture. ReNew is a nonprofit that sells upscale furniture and home decor. Together, they have over 25 local artists showcased in the store featuring everything from wall art to pottery and jewelry. Watch for classes coming soon in the lower level of the building!

Act II Consignment Outlet Store
www.myact2.com
4011 South Broadway
720-458-0822

Act II's NEW Broadway outlet store offers clothes at a highly discounted price and proceeds go to local charities and shelters.

Piero's Bakery
www.facebook.com/Pieros-Bakery-946898858690254

3745 South Broadway
303-781-0282

Piero's Bakery features cakes and scratch-made pastry, with cake artists specializing in custom cakes and desserts.

Have a new business?

If you have opened a new business in Englewood, please let us know and your business could be profiled in the *Englewood Citizen* (as space allows). Email us at info@englewoodgov.org and be sure to include the business name, address, phone number, website address, and a brief description of your business.

Attention business owners: ACE wants to hear from you!

The City of Englewood's business advisory committee, Alliance for Commerce in Englewood (ACE), is conducting a business survey.

The ACE members would like to hear from as many Englewood businesses as possible.

The survey will be available by January 8, 2016, and will be available until the end of February. To take the online survey, please visit www.englewoodgov.org/doing-business and look for the link.

www.englewoodgov.org/doing-business

Free Tax Preparation Assistance

Every Friday at Malley from February 5 through April 13

The Malley Senior Recreation Center will offer its annual tax preparation assistance program again this year. The program is for taxpayers with low/middle income, with consideration given to those age 60 and older.

Participants should bring a picture ID, Social Security card for yourself and any dependents, as well as all documents reporting income, interest, dividends, pensions, property tax receipts, and any other allowable deductions, plus a copy of your last year's tax returns.

Fridays, February 5 through April 13

9 am to 4 pm

BY APPOINTMENT

Malley Center, 3380 S. Lincoln St.

Stop by the front desk at Malley or call 303-762-2660 to schedule your appointment.

This program is by appointment only. Call 303-762-2660 or stop by the front desk at the Malley Center to schedule your appointment (beginning in January).

For more information, call 303-762-2660 or visit www.englewoodgov.org.

The Malley Center will be closed for maintenance from February 27 through March 6.

The *Englewood Citizen* newsletter is published every other month by the City of Englewood to provide residents and businesses with news and information about the City. If you have questions or comments, please call the City Manager's Office at 303-762-2316. This newsletter is available in alternative format upon request.

Website: www.englewoodgov.org

Email: info@englewoodgov.org

CERT Training Community Emergency Response Team

Classes begin in March for this year's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training. CERT volunteers are trained to respond after a disaster, providing guidance and direction to neighbors, friends, and families until the first responders arrive.

Registration for the March CERT classes is under way. The training course is a 32-hour commitment. Classes are taught by a trained team of first responders. The training includes disaster preparedness, fire suppression, basic medical operations, and light search and rescue operations.

Registration forms are available online at www.englewoodgov.org/police-community-relations. Call 303-762-2490 for more information.

Coffee with a Cop

Join officers from the Englewood Police Department for coffee and discussion.

Thursday, January 21
7:30 - 9 am

The Brew on Broadway
3445 S. Broadway

Thursday, February 18
7:30 - 9 am

Nixon's Coffee House
871 Englewood Parkway

For details on these and other EPD events, visit www.englewoodgov.org/police-community-relations.



Friday, January 22 • 7:30 pm • Daniel Christian

Singer-songwriter Daniel Christian has shared his music and stories with audiences across the nation. He has won two National Country Music Awards and has been featured on NPR's "The Folk Sampler."

Saturday, January 30 • 2 pm • It's All About Mozart

Featuring Peter Cooper, CSO principal oboe, and the Ainomäe Quartet.

Friday, February 12 • 7:30 pm • Celtic Rock with Potcheen

Celtic Rock with Potcheen - a rapid-fire, high-energy show mixing Celtic Rock infused with bluegrass, ska, cajun-zydeco, punk, and folk.

Saturday, February 20 • 2 pm • Brahms Piano Quartet in C Minor

Featuring Hsing-ay Hsu on piano. Claude Sim, CSO assoc. concertmaster Anne Ainomäe, viola, and Silver Ainomäe, CSO principal cello.



Hampden Hall at Englewood Civic Center
1000 Englewood Parkway (2nd Floor)
Englewood, Colorado

Visit EnglewoodArts.org for tickets and information.

Dazzle us at the Night of the Stars! Talent Show Auditions January 22 & 23

Attention singers, dancers, musicians, and more! We are looking for performers in grades K-12 to wow us! Performances will be judged and awards given in voice, music, and variety (dance, musical instruments, jugglers, etc.). No bands, please!

Auditions will be held January 22 and 23, 2016 at the Englewood Recreation Center. For more information, and to sign up to audition, check

the winter *Play Englewood* activities guide or call 303-762-2680.

After the local competition, first-place winners go on to compete with kids from cities around Colorado.

Local Competition:
Friday, February 19
6 - 9 pm

Hampden Hall at
Englewood Civic
Center
1000 Englewood
Parkway (2nd Floor)



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Upcoming Events & Meetings

Dec. 31 & Jan. 1	HOLIDAY: New Year's City Offices closed in observance of the New Year's holiday.	
Mon. Jan. 4	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Mon. Jan. 18	HOLIDAY: Martin Luther King Jr. Day City Offices closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.	
Tues. Jan. 19	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Thurs. Jan. 21	Coffee with a Cop The Brew on Broadway, 3445 S. Broadway (See page 7)	7:30 - 9 am
Fri. Jan. 22	Englewood Arts Concert: Daniel Christian Hampden Hall (See page 7 for details)	7:30 pm
Sat. Jan. 30	Englewood Arts Concert: It's All About Mozart Hampden Hall (See page 7 for details)	2 pm
Mon. Feb. 1	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Fri. Feb. 12	Gold Penny Fashion Show Malley Center, 3380 S. Lincoln Street	2 - 3:30 pm
Fri. Feb. 12	Englewood Arts Concert: Celtic Rock with Potcheen Hampden Hall (See page 7 for details)	7:30 pm
Mon. Feb. 15	HOLIDAY: Presidents' Day City Offices closed in observance of Presidents' Day.	
Tues. Feb. 16	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Thurs. Feb. 18	Coffee with a Cop Nixon's Coffee House, 871 Englewood Pkwy. (See page 7)	7:30 - 9 am
Sat. Feb. 20	Englewood Arts Concert: The Music of Brahms Hampden Hall (See page 7 for details)	2 pm
Mon. Feb. 29	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm

Due to space constraints, we don't have room to list all meetings or events. Please check the Calendar of Events on www.engagewoodgov.org for a complete listing.

Christmas Tree Recycling

Englewood's Parks Division is pleased to announce its annual Christmas Tree recycling at four neighborhood parks from **January 1 through 31, 2016**. Residents can drop off their trees at the locations listed below. Please make sure all the decorations are removed from your tree before you drop it off.

Christmas Tree Drop-Off Locations:

- **Bates/Logan Park**, 2938 S. Logan St.
- **Bellevue Park**, 5001 S. Inca St. (south parking lot)
- **Centennial Park**, 4630 S. Decatur (south parking lot)
- **Miller Field**, 3600 S. Elati St.

The trees will be turned into mulch, which is available to residents free of charge on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information on the Parks Division's Christmas Tree recycling or mulch services, please visit our Parks Services page at www.engagewoodgov.org/parks.

