

Englewood Citizen

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2011 Budget presents challenges

As Englewood City Council and staff begin discussions on the 2011 budget, it is clear that developing next year's budget will not be easy. Sales tax revenues have remained stagnant while the costs of running the city have risen.

Over the last several years, staff and Council have taken action to reduce costs. Fleet purchases have been delayed, many programs have been downsized, and employees have accepted wage freezes and benefit reductions to help keep costs under control. In addition, we have taken steps to build other sources of revenue, such as long-term property leases on property the City owns in Highlands Ranch near McLellan Reservoir.

In spite of these efforts, continued lagging revenues, coupled with

the rising costs of providing services, will make developing the budget for next year difficult.

We want your input! We want to hear from you, our citizens, to help guide our decisions as we ponder difficult budget choices. We invite you to attend our 2011 Budget Public Hearing, which will be held on Monday, September 20, 2010 at 7:30 pm during the City Council meeting. The meeting will take place in the second floor Council Chambers at the Englewood Civic Center, located at 1000 Englewood Parkway.

Some of the cost-saving options being proposed for 2011 include eliminating vacant positions, implementing furlough days, reducing staff hours, adjusting facility schedules, and reducing or eliminating some programs and services.

Furlough days implemented for 2010: To help reduce expenses in the current year's budget, Council has opted to enact two furlough days for employees in 2010. As a result, the Englewood Civic Center offices, including the Library and Municipal Court, will be closed on Monday, October 11

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The Museum of Outdoor Arts recently added a sculpture to its collection at the Englewood Civic Center. "Mujer Del Lago," (Woman of the Lake) by artist Tom Ware, now graces the fountain area outside the Civic Center.

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Public Hearing

on the City of Englewood's

2011 Budget

Monday, September 20
7:30 pm

Englewood Civic Center
2nd floor Council Chambers
1000 Englewood Parkway



Joe Jefferson
City Council Member
District 1

Message from City Council

As many of you are aware, the City's budget will be the biggest issue facing our community until the Council finalizes adjustments to the 2010 budget and adopts the 2011 budget. City revenues continue to disappoint and even with all our previous expenditure reductions, we will need to make more changes in order to protect our long-term financial security. Until

now, our budget cuts have not had a major impact on our services to the community. However, it now seems likely that the City will have to take more drastic steps to reduce expenditures. In the following months, we will need to complete a more sweeping examination of our services and programs to finalize prioritizing them. Ultimately, we will need to make difficult decisions on how to best implement the changes that will help us realize the savings we need, while minimizing the impact on community services and maximizing the efficiencies of our core functions like the safety of our neighborhoods.

In an attempt to foster better communication on this and many other issues that face our community, I have been hosting monthly community meetings, as well as writing about current and upcoming issues via my webpage on the City's website and via e-mail. The main purpose of these efforts is to provide additional information about what's going on and to get feedback from you. I believe that with this feedback, I can better represent my constituents in District 1 and the community as a whole.

The monthly meetings are held at the Twin Dragon Restaurant, located at 3021 S. Broadway. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 29, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. I generally host these meetings on the last Wednesday of every month, although we may need to reschedule or cancel around the holiday season, so check your e-mail or the webpage for updates.

If you are unable to attend our meetings, please take a look at my webpage for updates at: <http://joejefferson.englewoodgov.org> or e-mail me with "Add Me" in the subject line to be added to the list for e-mail updates.

As always, I invite your comments, questions or concerns by e-mail or phone.

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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.



Thanks to our flower garden volunteers! The City of Englewood would like to thank the dedicated volunteers who planted and tended many of the flower beds in Englewood's parks this summer.

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(Columbus Day) and Friday, November 12 (the day after Veterans' Day). All emergency services will be operational on furlough days, as will the Malley Center and the Englewood Recreation Center. Please check our website (www.engagewoodgov.org) for details on these furlough days and additional days the City

Council may consider enacting in 2011.

A copy of the proposed 2011 Budget will be posted on our website by September 13, prior to the September 20 Public Hearing. Copies will also be available for review in the Library, the City Manager's Office, and the Finance Department.

Hot Topics

Notice of upcoming discussions & decisions

The following matters are tentatively scheduled to be discussed by City Council in the coming months. If you have an interest in any of these topics, please visit our website (www.engagewoodgov.org) or call 303-762-2310 for details on meeting schedules and opportunities for public input.

- **2011 Budget**

City Council and staff are developing next year's budget. See page 1 for details.

- **Kent Place Redevelopment**

The developers of Kent Place (Hampden & University) are proposing a change in the Planned Unit Development zoning. Interested residents can offer public input at upcoming public hearings.

- **RV & Trailer Storage**

The Code Enforcement Advisory Committee is reviewing regulations governing the storage of recreational vehicles, off-road vehicles, and utility and boat trailers. Once the committee forwards a recommendation, City Council will discuss further and render a decision.

- **Medical Marijuana**

Medical marijuana growing and dispensing uses are being reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission and Liquor Licensing Authority.

- **Sign Code Update**

Provisions of the Sign Code pertaining to banners, temporary signage, and wall murals are being reviewed and revised.

A snapshot of Englewood's General Fund Budget

Revenues and Expenditures

Englewood residents may be interested to know where the City of Englewood's revenues come from and how they are spent. The charts to the right provide a nutshell view of the City's revenues and expenditures from the 2010 budget.

For details on the budget, visit www.engagewoodgov.org. The entire budget is posted online, along with monthly financial reports and the comprehensive annual financial reports.

General Fund Revenues

54%	Sales & Use Taxes
8%	Charges for Services
8%	Property Tax
7%	Franchise Fees (Electricity/Cable)
7%	Cultural & Recreation Program Fees
5%	Other Financing Sources (Transfers)
4%	Fines & Forfeitures
3%	Intergovernmental Revenues
1%	Specific Ownership & Cigarette Taxes
1%	Licenses & Permits
1%	Other
1%	Interest

Source: 2010 Englewood Budget: www.engagewoodgov.org

General Fund Expenditures

26%	Police Services
18%	Fire Services
15%	Parks & Recreation
14%	Public Works
5%	Debt Service
4%	Finance & Administrative Services
4%	Community Development
3%	Information Technology
3%	Library Services
2%	Municipal Court
2%	City Attorney's Office
2%	City Manager's Office
1%	Human Resources
1%	City Council/Boards

Source: 2010 Englewood Budget: www.engagewoodgov.org

KEB plans Household Hazardous Material Roundup

Keep Englewood Beautiful (KEB) will once again offer residents an opportunity to safely dispose of household hazardous materials and electronic equipment during its 19th Annual Household Hazardous Material Roundup this fall. The roundup will be held Saturday, September 11 and Saturday, September 18 from 8 am to 2 pm at the Englewood ServiCenter, 2800 South Platte River Drive in Englewood.

Proof of City of Englewood residency is required and there is a limit of 10 gallons per household on household hazardous materials. There is a \$20 co-payment on household hazardous wastes. Participants will also be asked to pay \$15 for each computer monitor and \$25 for each television they drop off. All other household and business electronic equipment will be accepted free of charge.

**Saturday, Sept. 11 & Saturday, Sept. 18
8 am to 2 pm**

Englewood ServiCenter • 2800 S. Platte River Drive

Household Materials Accepted
(\$20 Co-pay) • 10 gallon limit per household:

- Antifreeze
- Automotive Batteries
- Flammable liquids (gasoline, kerosene, paint thinner)
- Lawn and Garden Chemicals
- Mercury (liquid, thermometers, relays & switches, barometers [no batteries])
- Propane Tanks

Electronic Equipment Accepted
(\$15 co-pay per computer monitor; \$25 co-pay per television):

- Cell phones
- Computers
- Copiers (desktop only)
- Fax machines
- Inkjet and Toner Cartridges
- Laptop Computers
- Monitors (\$15 co-pay)
- Televisions (\$25 co-pay)
- PDAs
- Printers

Latex paint will not be accepted at the roundup as it is no longer considered a hazardous waste. Latex paint can be discarded in household trash when it is completely dry and hard.

For more information on the Household Hazardous Material Roundup, visit KEB's page on www.engagewoodgov.org (under Inside City Hall/Boards and Commissions).

Notice of water line insurance offers

Over the last few weeks, residents in Englewood and other front range communities have received promotional materials from companies offering insurance policies to cover repairs in the event of water service line breaks. The Englewood Utilities

Department and the Englewood Water and Sewer Board want Englewood's water customers to be aware that the City of Englewood is not partnering with these companies, nor does it endorse the companies or their services.

Graffiti Paint Out

**Saturday, Sept. 11
9 -11:30 am**

Join other neighborhood volunteers to help clean up graffiti in the community.

If you would like to help with the Graffiti Paint Out, call Community Relations Specialist Toni Geier at 303-762-2490.

Public Forum on Englewood Arts Fest



Monday, September 20 • 6 - 7 pm
Hampden Hall • Englewood Civic Center • 1000 Englewood Pkwy.

The Englewood Arts Fest steering committee invites you to participate in a public forum to discuss the first annual Arts Festival that will take place in Englewood in September, 2011. They would like to hear from artists, musicians, local businesses, corporate sponsors, and Englewood residents. Since they are in the preliminary planning stages, your input is important and will make this a true community event.

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.

Web site: www.engagewoodgov.org

E-mail: info@engagewoodgov.org

New Business Update

The following businesses have recently opened in Englewood:

Bites!

2796 S. Broadway
Bites! Bakery and Cafe serves breakfast and lunch.

Crème de la Couture

3041 S. Broadway
www.cremedelacouture.com

A new consignment store specializing in clothing, accessories, and shoes.

Prana Balance

3292 S. Bannock St. • 303-781-2794
www.pranawellbeing.com
Prana Balance is a state-of-the-art assessment and testing facility

specializing in the diagnosis and care of balance disorders.

Real Deals Home Decor

2 days a week • 2 good to be true!™
290 W. Hampden Ave.
303-893-7910

www.realdeals.net/englewood
Mirrors, clocks, lamps, everyday and seasonal decor. Open Thursdays & Saturdays.

Yellow Rose Consignment Boutique

3431 S. Broadway • 303-789-5324
yellowroseconsignment.com
Featuring consignment furniture, women's clothing, accessories, and more.

Library's Internet computers down September 13 - 15

The public Internet computers at the Englewood Library will be unavailable Monday, September 13 through Wednesday, September 15 while they undergo maintenance and upgrades. We apologize for any inconvenience to our patrons.

Free! Workshop for first-time homebuyers

Tuesday, September 14
5:30-9:30 pm

Englewood Civic Center

2nd Fl. Community Room, 1000 Englewood Pkwy.

Register online at the Colorado Housing Assistance Corporation's website (www.coloradohousingassistance.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 303-762-2349.

Police to host community events

The Englewood Police Department is holding a number of upcoming events for citizens interested in learning more about safety and self-defense. For more information, or to register for any of the events listed to the right, visit our website (www.englewoodgov.org) or contact Community Relations Specialist Toni Geier at 303-762-2490.

Upcoming Events:

- **Saturday, September 11**
Graffiti Paint Out
- **Thursday, September 23**
Neighborhood Watch/Volunteer Meeting
- **Thursday, October 7**
Coffee with a Cop
- **Saturday, October 16**
Citizen Self Defense Class

Used Book Sale at the Englewood Public Library

Thursday, September 16 • 4 - 7 pm
Friday, September 17 • 10 am - 2 pm
Saturday, September 18 • 10 am - 2 pm

Look for great bargains on books and other materials!

Englewood Public Library • 1000 Englewood Pkwy.
Sponsored by the Friends of the Library



Celebrate International Peace Day with the Library



Children ages 5 to 11 are invited to celebrate International Peace Day at the Library with poetry, songs, and a special craft project. Register at the Children's Desk or call 303-783-6960.

top fifty art show

featuring the top 50 finalists in the 2011 Englewood Calendar Student Art Contest

October 27 - November 15

Artists' Reception:

- **Wednesday, October 27**
- **5:30 - 6:30 pm**

Englewood Civic Center
2nd Floor Atrium • 1000 Englewood Pkwy.



Student Art Contest deadline: September 24

Young artists - it's not too late to submit an entry in the Student Art Contest for the 2011 Calendar! The deadline for entries is Friday, September 24. Visit www.Englewoodgov.org for details and entry forms.

Pharmaceutical Take-Back Day

On September 25, you can turn in your expired medications and other substances for safe disposal – no questions asked.

The Englewood Police Department is partnering with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration to help residents safely and securely dispose of expired, unwanted, or unused pharmaceutical controlled or uncontrolled substances or other medications.

Englewood's Take-Back Day will take place from 10 am to 2 pm on Saturday, September 25, 2010 at Miller Field, located at 3600 South Elati Street. Englewood Police will be on hand to accept your expired medications—just drive up, drop it off, and drive off. No questions will be asked of you.

News from Neighborhood Services

Thousand Cankers Disease found in black walnut trees

by Code Enforcement Officer Marjie Payne

Black walnut trees throughout the western United States and into Mexico are being infected with Thousand Cankers Disease (TCD), a fungal disease that is highly infectious to the trees. The Colorado State forester is urging local communities to be proactive in dealing with diseased trees.

TCD is caused by a fungus that is carried from tree to tree by tiny walnut twig beetles. The fungus causes small dead areas on the tree called cankers. The trees are eventually killed by the disease, usually within three to four years after the initial symptoms are discovered. The first sign of TCD is yellowing leaves and thinning foliage in the upper branches. At present, there are no known controls for the disease and no way to save a tree once it has been infected.



The first sign of Thousand Cankers Disease in walnut trees is yellowing leaves like those shown above.

To keep the disease from spreading, it is critical that diseased wood not be moved east of the current known range of the disease. (Colorado is the easternmost state in which the disease has been found.)

Englewood's Municipal Code allows Code Enforcement Officials to order the removal of a dead or diseased tree. Trees infected with TCD have been found in Englewood and Code Enforcement is actively inspecting for the disease and order-

ing removal of infected trees as needed.

For more information on the disease, visit www.thousandcankersdisease.info or call Englewood's Code Enforcement Division at 303-762-2335.

Play Englewood

Englewood Parks and Recreation's new fall activity guide is now in the mail to subscribers and available for pick-up at our facilities. The Department recently combined its general recreation and senior recreation brochures into one comprehensive publication: the newly named *Play Englewood* guide. Why Play Englewood? We want people to get out and play in our programs, facilities, and parks.

If you would like to be included on our FREE mailing list for future *Play Englewood* publications, please call 303-762-2660, 303-762-2680 or email us at RecreationNews@englewoodgov.org.



Awards & Accomplishments

The City of Englewood has received a number of recent accolades from various professional organizations. Here are a few of our accomplishments so far this year.

- **Excellence in Preservation of the Environment and in Document Security** for the City's paper recycling program.
- **Award of Excellence** for Project Rebuild (our housing rehabilitation program).
- **Top Aquatic Program in Colorado and Top Aquatic City Parks & Recreation Program in the U.S.** (by the U.S. Water Fitness Association) awarded to the Englewood Recreation Center.
- **National Night Out** – Our 2010 National Night Out event was highly successful, with a significant City-wide increase in participation.
- **National Environmental Achievement Award** (by the National Association of Clean Water Agencies) awarded to the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mark your calendars!

The Malley Center's Holiday Bazaar is November 6th!

Vendor registration for Englewood residents begins Wednesday, Sept. 8. Check your "Play Englewood" guide or call 303-762-2317 for details.

Coffee with a Cop

Join members of Englewood Police Department and bring your questions. This session will focus on Internet safety.

**Thursday, Oct. 7
9-11 am**

**Starbucks
Bates & Broadway**

DA issues consumer alert on property transfer scam

Arapahoe County District Attorney Carol Chambers has issued an alert about scam artists who are transferring properties into their names without the property owner's knowledge. Most victims discover the switch when they try to sell or refinance their homes.

The Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder has launched a

new "Land Fraud Registration and Notification System," a free service that automatically notifies you if any transactions involving your property are recorded in the Clerk and Recorder's Office. You can sign up for this service online at www.co.arapahoe.co.us under Departments, Clerk and Recorder. Look for the "Helpful Resources" section on the bottom of the page and click on "Fraud Detection."

BOO!

Halloween Carnival at the Englewood Recreation Center

**Saturday, October 30
5 to 8:30 pm**

Grab your costume and head to the annual Halloween Carnival for treats, games, a costume contest, and a haunted house.

**Englewood Recreation Center
1155 W. Oxford Avenue**

Mark your Calendars!
for KEB's annual

Leaf & Tire Drop-off

**October 31 &
November 7**

Watch for details in the next edition of the *Citizen*.

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Upcoming Events

Aug. 30 - Sept. 5	Englewood Recreation Center Closed for Annual Maintenance Projects	
Mon. Sept. 6	HOLIDAY - Labor Day Englewood Civic Center Offices, Library, Malley Center, and Recreation Center closed	
Tues. Sept. 7	"Mapping your Volunteer Vacation" with author Jane Stanfield 7 pm Hampden Hall – 2 nd Floor Englewood Civic Center (sponsored by the Library)	
	Englewood City Council Meeting 7:30 pm Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	
Sept. 11 & 18	Household Hazardous Material Dropoff (see page 4 for details) 8 am - 2 pm Englewood ServiCenter, 2800 S. Platte River Dr.	
Sept. 16-18	Friends of the Library Used Book Sale (see page 5)	
Sat. Sept. 18	Griffin & Sabine and Beyond - Artist Reception/Exhibition Opening 5 - 9 pm Nick Bantock at the Museum of Outdoor Arts. Visit www.moaonline.org for details.	
Mon. Sept. 20	Englewood City Council Meeting & 2011 Budget Public Hearing 7:30 pm Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	
Tues. Sept. 21	International Peace Day at the Library (see page 5)	
Thurs. Sept. 23	Englewood Neighborhood Watch & Volunteer Meeting 6:30 pm Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Community Room (see page 5)	
September 24	Student Art Contest Deadline - 2011 Calendar (see page 6) 5 pm	
Mon. Oct. 4	Englewood City Council Meeting 7:30 pm Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	
Thurs. Oct. 7	Coffee with a Cop 9 - 11 am Starbucks - Bates & Broadway (see page 7)	
Mon. Oct. 11	City of Englewood Furlough Day Englewood Civic Center closed (see page 1)	
Mon. Oct. 18	Englewood City Council Meeting 7:30 pm Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	
Wed. Oct. 27	Top 50 Art Show (2011 Englewood Calendar) 5:30 pm Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Atrium (see page 6 for details)	
Thurs. Oct. 28	Friends of the Library Travel Program with author Polly Letofsky 7 pm Hampden Hall – 2 nd Floor Englewood Civic Center	
Sat. Oct. 30	Annual Halloween Carnival 5 - 8:30 pm Englewood Recreation Center, 1155 W. Oxford Ave. (see page 7)	
Mon. Nov. 1	Englewood City Council Meeting 7:30 pm Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	
Thurs. Nov. 11	HOLIDAY - Veterans Day Englewood Civic Center Offices, Library, Malley Center closed	
Fri. Nov. 12	City of Englewood Furlough Day Englewood Civic Center closed (see page 1)	

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.

5th Annual Englewood Art Exhibit

Artists' Reception

Tuesday, October 19 • 6-8 pm

The public is invited to meet the artists and view this collection of local artists' work. Vote for your favorite piece!

Hampden Hall

at Englewood Civic Center

1000 Englewood Parkway (2nd floor)

On Exhibit: October 19-25

Wednesday, Thursday & Monday:

11 am - 2 pm and 5 - 7:30 pm

Friday & Saturday: 11 am - 2 pm

Sunday: 1 - 3 pm

Call for Artists: This art show is for amateur artists (artists by hobby, not by profession) 18 years and over from the Denver metro area. Deadline for entries is Monday, October 11. Entry forms at Recreation Center, Malley Center, and the Englewood Library. See your "Play Englewood" Guide or call Cheryl at 303-762-2662 for details.

