

Englewood Citizen

May-June 2012

Sign Code overhaul under way

Over the past year, Englewood’s Community Development staff has been working with the Planning and Zoning Commission on updates to the City’s Sign Code. The last major update was in 1981 and much has changed in the advertising industry since then.

The Planning Commission used the following principles to guide the review process. The new Sign Code should:

- meet the needs of the business community (allow temporary signs, allow larger signs, and provide flexibility);
- meet administrative needs (be easy to use, administer, interpret, and explain);

- maintain the community’s character; and
- meet legal standards.

The existing Code has been characterized by businesses and sign contractors as too complex, too restrictive, and out-of-date. The updated Code will address electronic message boards, incidental signs, accessory (temporary) signs, and murals; will make allowances for sandwich boards and other signs on public sidewalks; and will also cover illumination and other sign standards.

The next step in the approval process is gathering public input from residents and business owners about the proposed updates.

A Public Forum will be held on Thursday, May 17 at 6 pm (see box to the left for details). If you have an interest in learning more about the new Sign Code, please plan to attend this meeting. The Public Forum will be followed by two additional opportunities to provide input: A Public Hearing before the Planning and



Zoning Commission (tentatively scheduled for June 5) and a Public Hearing before City Council (tentatively scheduled for July 16).

For details on the proposed Sign Code changes, visit www.Englewoodgov.org under Inside City Hall/Hot Topics.

Input Wanted!

on proposed Sign Code changes

Thursday, May 17 • 6 pm

Public Forum to gather input on proposed changes (Community Room, 2nd Floor Englewood Civic Center)

Tuesday, June 5 • 7 pm

Tentative **Planning & Zoning Commission Public Hearing** (Council Chambers, 2nd Floor Civic Center)

Monday, July 16 • 7:30 pm

Tentative **City Council Public Hearing** (Council Chambers, 2nd Floor Civic Center)

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**Coming in late May: The Utilities Department’s
2012 PipeLine Newsletter and Water Quality Report**



Bob McCaslin
City Council Member
At Large

Message from City Council

One of my favorite things about Englewood is our extensive parks and open space system. Whether you want to stroll quietly in the park or play a fast-paced game of softball, Englewood's parks can accommodate your outdoor activities.

Decades ago when Englewood's large City Park was given up to make way for Cinderella City mall, the City's leaders made sure

that Englewood's open space program included neighborhood parks throughout the community. Today, we continue to make parks and open space a priority.

Here is an update on just a few open space improvements under way:

- **Centennial Park** – As we reported in the last issue of the *Englewood Citizen*, major improvements are under way on the trail around Centennial Park. Watch for news of a dedication ceremony this fall for the improved trail and other amenities.
- **Golf Course Green Space Study** – We have received an Arapahoe County Open Space grant to analyze the feasibility of developing the green space located adjacent to the Platte River at Broken Tee Golf Course. Possible amenities could include a picnic pavilion, restroom facilities, and ADA access to the river.
- **Community Gardens** – We have added two more community gardens (at Charles Hay World School and Clayton Elementary School) in collaboration with Englewood Schools. These gardens are the result of a federally-funded "Communities Putting Prevention to Work" grant. Englewood's community gardens are a great learning opportunity for students and serve as community-building projects that bring together neighbors, parents, teachers, students, and non-profit partners.
- **Duncan Park Improvements** – Our Parks and Recreation Department is continuing work on the Duncan Park planning project. Over the last year, staff has worked with an open space design firm to gather citizen input from neighbors and other stakeholders to identify ideas and guidelines for the improvement plan. The final design plan will go through the City's project approval process, including reviews by the Parks and Recreation Commission, Planning and Zoning Commission, and City Council. Demolition of the Duncan school building is scheduled to begin April 30 and is slated for completion by May 11.

I wish to thank the Parks and Recreation staff for everything they do to help plan for and maintain Englewood's parks and open spaces.

For details on the above projects and a complete list of all the activities and amenities offered by Englewood's Parks and Recreation Department, visit our website at www.engagewoodgov.org.

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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.

City Council to honor former Mayor Tom Burns as 2012 Citizen of the Year

On May 14, 2012 at 7 pm, City Council will honor former Mayor Tom Burns as Englewood's 2012 Citizen of the Year. Every spring City Council honors a citizen who has made significant contributions to the community and this year Council has chosen to recognize long-time resident and public servant Tom Burns.

Citizen of the Year Reception

Monday, May 14 • 7 pm

Malley Center
3380 S. Lincoln Street

Tom Burns served as Mayor of Englewood from 1994-2001, but he was active in the City long before that and remains active to this day in local and regional activities. In addition to his eight years as Mayor, he has also served on several Englewood boards and commissions and has played a leadership role as Chair of the Metro Mayors Caucus and on the Board of the Denver Regional Council of Governments.

In 2001, Mayor Burns was recognized by his counterparts across the metro area with the prestigious John V. Christensen Award, which recognizes

outstanding leadership on regional issues.

We invite you to help us honor Tom Burns for his dedicated public service. The Citizen of the Year

reception will take place Monday, May 14 at 7 pm at the Malley Senior Recreation Center, 3380 South Lincoln Street.



Tom Burns,
Englewood's 2012
Citizen of the Year

Summer fun begins at Belleview Park Memorial Day Weekend!

Pirates Cove, the Belleview Park Children's Farm, and the Miniature Train all open for the season on Saturday, May 26



Pirates Cove Family Aquatic Center

Splash, play, and swim at the outdoor leisure pool, lazy river, competition pool, and slide tower!

Open 10 am to 6 pm during the summer
1225 W. Belleview Avenue • 303-762-COVE (2683)
Visit www.piratescovecolorado.com for details.



Belleview Park Children's Farm

Visit cows, pigs, goats, sheep, and more at the farm!

5001 S. Inca • 303-798-6927 • \$1.50/person (under 2 free)
Tuesday - Saturday: 10 am - 4 pm
Sunday: 11 am - 4 pm
(Closed Mondays except Memorial Day and Labor Day)



Englewood Miniature Train

Take a scenic spin around Belleview Park on the train!

5001 S. Inca Street • 303-794-7357 • \$1.50 per person
Tuesday - Saturday: 10 am - 4 pm
Sunday: 11 am - 4 pm
(Closed Mondays except Memorial Day and Labor Day)

Council seeks volunteers for boards and commissions

Interested in getting more involved in your community? City Council is recruiting volunteers to serve on Englewood's boards and commissions. Englewood has a variety of citizen boards and commissions whose members serve in an advisory role on matters ranging from library programs to zoning issues.

If you are interested in applying, visit our website (www.Englewoodgov.org) for more information and an application form. Applicants will be interviewed by City Council. The deadline for applications is Wednesday, May 30.



Bike to Work Day Wednesday, June 27

**Breakfast Stop • 6-9 am
Englewood Civic Center**

Stop by the Englewood Civic Center as you bike, ride, or walk to work on June 27 and enjoy:

- Light breakfast
- Free blood pressure checks
- Bike technicians
- Massage therapists

**Register for Bike to Work Day
at www.BikeToWork2012.org.**

Englewood Civic Center
1000 Englewood Parkway
(at the base of the light rail station)

Free "Social Netiquette" class for kids aged 10-15

Saturday, May 12 • 9 - 11 am

Englewood Police Department
3615 S. Elati Street

This free class will help kids learn to develop proper etiquette for sharing information on Facebook, Twitter, and other social media applications. To register, go to www.kidproofsafety.com or call 1-866-467-2338. Contact Community Relations Specialist Toni Arnoldy at 303-762-2490 with any questions.

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.engagewoodgov.org

Email: info@engagewoodgov.org

Bike route improvements under way

New bicycling improvements are under way in Englewood and will be completed just in time for Bike to Work Day!

Last year, the City of Englewood undertook a bicycle route study to help make bicycling a more attractive transportation option in Englewood. The study and resulting improvements were made possible through federal "Communities Putting Prevention to Work" grant funding through Tri-County Health Department.

The improvements will be finished mid-June and will include an additional 13+ miles of signed, on-street bicycle routes and the addition of 14 new bike racks along South Broadway through downtown Englewood.

New updated bike-route maps will be available to download from the City's website by mid-May. Visit www.engagewoodgov.org for more information.

Love to read? Visit the Library!

The Englewood Public Library has a busy summer planned. Here are a few of the events taking place.

Summer Reading is almost here!

This summer the Library will once again host summer reading programs for children and teens, and will add a new adult reading program this year too. All three programs will kick off Monday, June 4. Visit the Library to learn more and sign up.

Children's Summer Reading Kick-off with Amazing Arthur
Monday, June 4 • 10:30 am
Hampden Hall, 1000 Englewood Parkway, 2nd Floor (upstairs from the Library) Join the Amazing Arthur for magic and fun to get you started on a summer of reading.

Summer Food for Fines **May 21 - June 3**

The Library's Food for Fines program allows patrons to pay off overdue fines through the donation of non-perishable food. Two non-perishable food items

cancel out one overdue fine. (The program does not apply to lost or damaged materials.) All food items are donated to Inter-Faith Community Services Food Bank.

Friends of the Library Book Sale **May 11 and 12 • 10 am - 2 pm**

Lots of gently-used titles available at bargain prices. To become a Friend or to learn of volunteer opportunities, call 303-762-2560.

Brown Bag Book Club
Every Third Thursday of the month at Noon. No reservations needed—just bring your lunch and talk books!

Book Lovers Book Talk
Sunday, June 10 from 2 to 3 pm
Looking for ideas on new books to read? Come in and hear from our library staff what's new in the Library!

For details on these and other programs, including story times for children, visit the Library's web pages at www.engagewoodgov.org.

Concrete repairs to begin mid-May

Englewood's annual Concrete Utility program is under way and concrete inspectors have spent the last several weeks identifying damaged curbs, gutters, and sidewalks throughout the community. The repairs are scheduled to begin mid-May and will continue throughout the summer and fall.

If you notice pink paint markings on the concrete adjacent to your property, it has been identified

as being in need of repair. The contractor making the repairs will notify property owners 48 hours before the work starts and will provide any additional necessary information about the repairs.

If you have questions about the Concrete Utility or would like to have your concrete inspected, contact Englewood's Concrete Utility Hotline at 303-762-2360 or by email at concreteutility@englewoodgov.org.

Sign up to receive meeting notices and more via email!

Visit www.englewoodgov.org and subscribe to our eNotifier to receive meeting agendas, minutes, and notices of public meetings.



www.englewoodgov.org

Coffee with a Cop

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

**Thursday, May 10
9 - 11 am**

Starbucks
Floyd & Broadway

**Wednesday, May 16
10 - 11 am**

Malley Center
3380 S. Lincoln Street

The Impact Team will host a special Coffee with a Cop at the Malley Senior Recreation Center to meet with area seniors and present information on the Impact Team's new Seniors and Englewood Policing Partnership.

**Wednesday, June 13
8:30 - 10:30 am**

Solid Grounds
871 Englewood Parkway

Free concerts!

Sounds of Summer

Thursday nights at 6:30 pm

CityCenter Englewood Amphitheater

1000 Englewood Parkway (at the base of the light rail bridge near Englewood Civic Center)

June 14 HomeSlice - Rock, funk, blues, bluegrass & jazz

June 21 Margarita Brothers - Beach Music

June 28 Sweet Radish - Folk, blues, bluegrass & jazz

July 5 NO CONCERT

July 12 Reveille 3 - Andrews Sisters Tribute

July 19 Swing Je T'aime - Big Band & Swing

July 26 The Once Removed Band - Chicago Blues

August 2 Country Music Project - Old & New Country

August 9 Nacho Men - Rock & Roll, Motown, Disco, Doo-wop



Bring a lawn chair and picnic dinner and enjoy music throughout the summer! For notice of cancellation in case of inclement weather, call our Activities Hotline at 303-762-2598.



KEB Cleanup Coupons return

Every summer, Keep Englewood Beautiful (KEB) offers its Cleanup Coupon program, giving residents a chance to get rid of oversized and unwanted trash at a reduced rate. The Cleanup Coupons are valued at \$25 off regular fees at the Waste Management Transfer Station, 2400 West Union Avenue.

The distribution schedule for the Cleanup Coupons is listed to

the right. Proof of residency is required and only one coupon is available per household.

For additional information on the Cleanup Coupons program or coupon distribution, call KEB at 303-762-2342 or visit www.Englewoodgov.org. For details on fees, load size, or acceptable materials, call Waste Management at 303-797-1600.

Cleanup Coupon Distribution Schedule*:

- **Sat., June 2 • 10-11:30 am**
Englewood Civic Center
(1st floor lobby, adjacent to the fountain)
- **Sat., June 16 • 10-11:30 am**
Englewood Recreation Center
1155 W. Oxford Avenue

* Additional distribution dates will be scheduled throughout the summer.

New Business Update

Have a new business?

If you have opened, or are planning to open, a new business in Englewood, please let us know and your business could be profiled in the *Englewood Citizen* (as space allows). Just send us an email to info@Englewoodgov.org and make sure to include the business name, address, phone number, website address, and a brief description of your business.

As space allows in the *Englewood Citizen*, we like to keep the community posted on new businesses that have recently opened or will open soon. The City of Englewood welcomes the following new businesses:

About Time Fitness

2870 S. Broadway • 720-328-8449
www.abouttimefitness.com

The only studio in the Denver area to exclusively offer Body Training Systems' pre-choreographed group training programs, About Time Fitness features a large group fitness area, locker rooms with showers, and a separate space for childcare services.

American Classic Piano Company

3865 S. Jason Street • 303-761-6858
www.americanclassicpiano.com

Specializing in vintage pianos, American Classic Piano Company does just about anything related to pianos: refinishing, rebuilding,

moving, player system service, tuning, etc.

Colorado Utility Vehicles

4895 S. Broadway

720-382-1874

www.cologolfandturf.com

Recently relocated from Littleton, Colorado Utility Vehicles sells electric golf cars, utility cars, turf equipment, and electric vehicles (LSVs and NEVs).

Salon Rua

960 E. Hampden Avenue

303-806-5353

www.salonrua.fullslate.com

Salon Rua offers a wide variety of hair services. Stop by and see the new salon!

Notice regarding water line warranty offer

Englewood residents may soon receive a letter from Service Line Warranties of America (SLWA) regarding a water line warranty program. This program has been endorsed by the National League of Cities and because of this endorsement, Englewood's Mayor and City Council approved the

use of the City of Englewood's logo and the Mayor's signature on SLWA's promotional materials.

Englewood's Utilities Department is not involved in this warranty program and any contract undertaken is strictly between the homeowner and SLWA.

For information on the water line warranty program, contact SWLA's toll-free number at 1-866-922-9006 or visit www.slwofa.com. For additional information from the National League of Cities about this program, visit www.nlc.org/find-city-solutions/enterprise-programs/service-line-warranty.

Free! Workshop for first-time homebuyers

Weds., May 9 • 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.

Leave fireworks to the pros

Fireworks are illegal in Englewood without a permit from the Fire Marshal. Englewood Police are planning to strictly enforce fireworks violations over this year's Independence Day holiday.

Residents are cautioned to leave the fireworks displays to the professionals. If you enjoy fireworks, plan to attend the Fourth of July Family Festival and Fireworks on Wednesday, July 4.

4th of July Family Festival & Fireworks

July 4 ★ 3 - 10 pm
Fireworks at 9:30 pm!

Belleview & Cornerstone Parks

Visit www.engagewoodgov.org for details and a complete schedule of events.

Interested in volunteering to help at the 4th of July Family Festival?

Contact Toni at 303-762-2490 or tarnoldy@engagewoodgov.org

KidConnections Camps start June 4!

Join us for some fun in the sun this summer! There are still spots available for Englewood Parks and Recreation's KidConnections Summer Camps for 5 to 9-year olds and 10 to 13-year olds. The camps offer field trips, swimming, arts & crafts, sports, and more. Sign up for one day or the whole week.

For more information and to register, visit www.engagewoodgov.org (Under "Englewood Happenings").



Young campers have a blast in Englewood Parks & Recreation's KidConnections Summer Camps!

News from Neighborhood Services

Spring Cleaning Tips for your Neighborhood

by Marilyn Lamb, Code Enforcement Officer

With summer right around the corner, our Code Enforcement Division offers this friendly reminder to residents and businesses about keeping properties maintained and tidy.

The primary violations our Code Enforcement Officers typically see throughout the summer are trash and overgrown weeds, grass, and shrubbery. Trash in the alleys tends to be a particular problem; if the trash cans aren't secured, animals or high winds can easily scatter trash.

According to Englewood's Municipal Code, weeds and grass cannot be over six inches in height, and shrubbery must not obstruct sidewalks, streets, or alleyways.

The following checklist can help residents make sure their properties comply with our codes.

Clean Property Checklist:

- Are your trash receptacles stored in the back yard and only put out on your pick-up day?
- Are dumpsters and other trash containers tightly covered?
- Is the windblown litter picked up from your yard (including by your fence, the alley, and surrounding areas)?
- Have you trimmed your overgrown lawn and/or weeds to under six inches?
- Are tree limbs and vegetation trimmed back to the edge of public sidewalks, streets, and alleyways to allow clear passage for pedestrians and vehicles?

For more information on the City of Englewood's codes, visit our Code Enforcement Division online (under "Police Department") at www.engagewoodgov.org or call 303-762-2335.

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Upcoming Events

Mon. May 7	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Fri. & Sat. May 11 & 12	Friends of the Library Used Book Sale Englewood Library, 1000 Englewood Parkway	10 am - 2 pm
Mon. May 14	Citizen of the Year Reception Malley Center, 3380 S. Lincoln Street (See page 3)	7 pm
Wed. May 16	Coffee with a Cop at the Malley Center 3380 S. Lincoln Street. (See page 5)	10 - 11 am
Thurs. May 17	Sign Code Public Forum Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Community Room (See page 1.)	6 pm
Thurs. May 17	“Woof & Wine” Humane Society of the South Platte Valley Fundraiser Hudson Gardens Event Center (Visit hsspv.org for details.)	7 - 10 pm
Sat. May 19	Englewood Arts Concert - South of the Border Hampden Hall, 1000 Englewood Parkway (www.engagewoodarts.org for details)	2 pm
Mon. May 21	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Mon. May 28	HOLIDAY - Memorial Day Englewood Civic Center, Library, Malley Center, Englewood Recreation Center Closed	
Mon. June 4	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Thurs. June 14	Sounds of Summer Concert - HomeSlice CityCenter Englewood Amphitheater, 1000 Englewood Pkwy. (See page 5)	6:30 pm
Mon. June 18	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Thurs. June 21	Sounds of Summer Concert - Margarita Brothers CityCenter Englewood Amphitheater, 1000 Englewood Pkwy. (See page 5)	6:30 pm
Weds. June 27	Bike to Work Day (See page 4)	
Weds. June 27	Business Meeting with the Mayor Wooden Spools, 2805 S. Broadway	7:30 am
Thurs. June 28	Sounds of Summer Concert - Sweet Radish CityCenter Englewood Amphitheater, 1000 Englewood Pkwy. (See page 5)	6:30 pm
Mon. July 2	Englewood City Council Meeting Englewood Civic Center – 2 nd Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Wed. July 4	HOLIDAY - Independence Day Englewood Civic Center, Library, Malley Center, Englewood Recreation Center Closed	
Wed. July 4	4th of July Family Festival & Fireworks Bellevue Park, Cornerstone Park, Progress Park (www.engagewoodgov.org)	3 - 10 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.

Auditions!

for this year's summer drama production, *Anything Goes*.

Tuesday & Wednesday May 29 & 30

Ages 8-12: 6:30-7:30 pm
 13 & over: 7:30 - 9 pm

Malley Center

3380 S. Lincoln Street

Englewood's popular Summer Drama Program will feature "Anything Goes" this year. To audition, please prepare a one-minute song. An accompanist will be available. Bring your tap shoes if you have a pair! Check your summer *Play Englewood* activities guide, or call Cheryl at 303-762-2662 for more information.

