CITY MANAGER’S NOTES
June 30, 2016

Upcoming Council Meetings

City Offices will be closed on Monday, July 4, 2016, in celebration of Independence Day.

On Tuesday, July 5, 2016, a Study Session will be held at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room. The Regular Meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m.

The next Study Session will be Monday, July 11, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

Informational Items

The following attachments are in response to City Council requests, as well as other informational items.

1. YourHub Business Q&A: Inner Me Consignment Boutique, LLC.
2. Englewood Herald article: Ballot-Issue Advocates ask Council to clear path
3. Englewood Herald article: Pot-Smoking Business may be Closed
5. Calendar of Events
6. Tentative Study Session Topics

Parks and Recreation Update

Summer Drama Program
Tickets for the Summer Drama performance of Disney’s *Mary Poppins* went on sale Monday, June 27. Over 300 tickets sold in the first day. The performances will be July 29-30th at the Englewood High School Auditorium. Tickets bought in advance are $12 and $14 at the door.

World’s Largest Swimming Lesson
On June 24th, Pirates Cove was one of more than 500 locations to host the World’s Largest Swimming Lesson. The event builds awareness about the vital importance of teaching children to swim to help prevent drownings. Drowning is the second leading cause of unintended, injury-related death for children ages 1-14.

Pirate’s Cove Open House
An Open House was held at Pirates Cove on June 28th to allow the Englewood Community to experience Pirates Cove. Over 50 guests attended the free event and mingled with local sponsors from Sprouts, Pro-Martial Arts and SportClips.
Business Q&A: Inner Me Consignment Boutique LLC, Englewood, CO.

Anya Semenoff, YourHub
By Interview with YourHub
June 27, 2016 at 3:54 pm | UPDATED: June 27, 2016 at 7:26 pm

Business: Inner Me Consignment Boutique LLC
Address: 3041 S. Broadway, Englewood
Hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Saturday
Founded: 2015
Contact: 720-542-9526
Employees: 1

Interview with Judy Brown, owner

Q: How did you get involved in this business?
A: I had been working in the human services/mental health field for 38 years. I always had a dream of having my own little creative store where people could come enjoy the atmosphere and chat. You might say it was on my “bucket list.” I was blessed with this great opportunity to purchase the shop in the spring of 2015. And it was in the grand city of Englewood, my home town that I left behind when I joined the armed forces at age 18. I took that giant leap of faith that I could build and maintain a unique and interesting consignment store with the loving support of my family. I have always had a strong work ethic, compassion and desire to be of service to others, and a drive toward developing my creative side. These characteristics ensure my ability to keep this business successful for years to come.

Q: What distinguishes you from other businesses in your category?
A: As described above, I have always been motivated to help others enjoy themselves, feel better about themselves and increase their joy. My years of experience as a counselor have been very helpful in allowing customers to vent their life struggles as they shop. My store is small, inviting and, most often, only one or two customers at a time, so, therefore, quiet. Sometimes people like to shop privately, therefore I offer time outside of regular hours by appointment. My artistic ability helps me to select and display merchandise that is creative and appealing. Not a week goes by that someone does not compliment the layout or merchandise found in the store. Having been in management and worked with “teams” in the past, I consider my consignors as team members and an integral part of my success. It is their belongings they are trusting me to market and sell. I consider myself a servant to them, as well. Appointments are not necessary and they can retrieve their items anytime within 90 days. I most enjoy the customers who ask for help in coordinating outfits and choosing items for themselves or their loved ones. The name “Inner Me” was designated to recognize that what we wear can inspire us and others as a fine work of art inspires us.

Q: What do you like best about your line of work?
A: I love it when people return and say how many compliments they received on the merchandise they purchased. I love establishing relationships with new and ongoing customers.
I love that I can provide high-quality merchandise at affordable prices. I feel good that this is a “green” business — “reuse and recycle.” Thus, not impacting the environment in a negative way. I love that I am contributing to smaller nonprofit organizations who, in turn, provide clothing and services to those less fortunate. (Right now, more merchandise is donated than sold.) I love being of service to others.

Q: What is your business’ biggest challenge?
A: I get caught up in customer conversations, and rearranging and redesigning the store. I have to learn how to market in more fruitful ways. I am electronically challenged in this new era of social media. I need to spend more time educating and incorporating the skills to ensure success as a small business owner.

Q: Something people might be surprised to learn about you or your business:
A: Veterans with military ID receive 25 percent off select regular-priced items. We can host private parties after hours, providing snacks and beverages. Friends can enjoy socializing, shopping and “playing dress-up” for bachelorette, birthday, reunion or other private events. We can partner with schools and nonprofit organizations for mutual fundraising or donation opportunities. We are LGBT-friendly and can provide a private shopping experience and item search for those men who enjoy purchasing and wearing female attire.
Ballot-issue advocates ask council to clear path

Residents want to ban sales of recreational marijuana

Posted Monday, June 27, 2016 6:58 pm

Tom Munds

Two residents who filed a statement of intent to ask voters to ban recreational marijuana sales have asked the Englewood City Council not to put a similar measure on the November ballot.

Deanne Macdonald and Peggy Bogaard-Lapp, who filed the statement of intent to put the issue on the November ballot, spoke to the Englewood City Council during the public comment period at the June 20 meeting.

Macdonald said a ban on sales of recreational marijuana is one of two ballot issues they want to put on the ballot. She said those backing the initiative would prefer that the city council not move forward with a proposal to put a similar issue on the ballot.

“We filed the intent to put the issue on the ballot because the past actions of the council in the area are a little scary,” Bogaard-Lapp said. “We are asking the city council to back off and let us proceed with our ballot issue initiative process. We are doing this because the people of Englewood have a voice and that voice should be heard.”

She said the expectation is that supporters of the effort will have no trouble gathering the 597 signatures of registered voters to put the issue on the ballot. She also said their proposal has strong support and people will vote to ban the sale of recreational marijuana in Englewood.

Englewood resident Patricia Ross also spoke to the council on the issue.

She also asked the council not to place a question on the November ballot asking voters to ban the retail sale of recreational marijuana in Englewood.

“I think two ballot issues on the same subject could be confusing and could split the vote,” she said. “I think it is best for the council not to move forward with this ballot question and allow the residents to do their job, get it on the ballot and educate the people of Englewood so voters will approve it.”

The intent to go forward with the initiative was filed June 10, along with a second proposed ballot issue that would rescind Englewood's ordinance permitting the sale of medical marijuana in the city.

Then on June 17, letters of intent to place two other marijuana issues on the ballot were filed with the city clerk. One ballot question asks voters to approve the sale of recreational marijuana in Englewood. The second question asks the city council to establish requirements such as hours of operation.

At the June 20 city council study session, Acting City Attorney Dugan Comer said it was his understanding that, if conflicting issues were passed by voters, the issue that received the most votes would prevail and stand as law.
Englewood City Council told Dugan Comer, acting city attorney, to move ahead with the process that would require IBake Englewood marijuana consumption club to close.

The action came at the council's June 20 study session and is the latest discussion of the business at 3995 S. Broadway. An executive session is planned for the council to receive legal advice on closing the business.

In the regular council meeting that followed the study session, Marty Fuchs, one of the owners of iBake Englewood, defended his business, claiming that it operates legally. About two dozen people spoke in favor of keeping the business open. Of those speakers, only Fuchs and his son had Englewood addresses.

Later in the meeting, the council passed an ordinance on second and final reading banning new marijuana consumption clubs. The iBake operation was not affected by the ordinance, since it was in business before the ordinance was passed.

In the June 20 study session, Comer told the council that iBake's April 2015 business license application listed the facility as a retail store selling tobacco, T-shirts and other merchandise. He said there was no mention of the fact that a portion of the building would be set aside as a marijuana consumption area.

"The Colorado Clean Air Act prohibits public smoking and there are no exemptions to that rule in Amendment 64. I believe we can revoke their license and shut them down," the acting city attorney said. "But we can expect there will be a court challenge to our action."

In his memo to the council on the issue, Comer said that despite iBake's claim that it is a members-only club, its advertisements in social and print media indicate that it is open to the public.

Council members agreed Comer should move ahead with the process to close the business.

When iBake co-owner Fuchs signed up to speak the council during the regular meet's public comment period, he said: "My son Craig is co-owner of the business and he filed the application for the city sales tax license." He claimed that his son had told city employees that they planned to allow smoking in the building.

He said the state clean air act allows businesses with tobacco sales making up more than 5 percent of total sales to allow smoking in the building.
Supporting speakers said they want the club because state laws don’t allow public consumption of marijuana and many landlords also do not allow marijuana consumption on their properties.

The council agreed to hear all those who signed up to speak. They listened to a number of the speakers, then announced they would suspend public comment until near the end of the meeting in order to take care of the item on the agenda. Many people waited until late to speak and ask the council to keep IBake open. But the council took no action on that proposal.
BY THE NUMBERS

MOST COLORADO COUNTIES GAIN JOBS

Eight of Colorado's nine largest counties gained jobs at a faster pace than the national average last year. According to new data from the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics, the state's biggest percentage employment gain in 2015 among large counties (those with employment of 75,000 or more) was in Larimer County, up 3.7 percent, 46th best in the nation among 342 large counties.

Larimer was followed by Denver, Douglas and El Paso counties (all up 3.2 percent, tied for 77th in the nation), Jefferson County (up 3 percent, 93rd), Adams and Arapahoe counties (both up 2.8 percent, 108th) and Boulder County (up 2.5 percent, 130th).

Statewide, Colorado employment rose by 2.5 percent between December 2014 and December 2015, ahead of the national average gain of 1.9 percent, the report said.

Weld County — hit hard by the oil and gas slump — was the only large Colorado county with an employment decline last year, down 3.1 percent. In fact, the rate of its decline was fifth highest among 342 large U.S. counties.

Average weekly wages increased in all nine large counties in Colorado from the fourth quarter of 2014 to the fourth quarter of 2015. Wages in Adams County saw the largest rate of growth at 5.1 percent, followed by Boulder at 5 percent. Nationally, average weekly wages increased 4.4 percent.
CITY OF ENGLEWOOD
2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mon., July 4
City Hall Closed – Independence Day

Tues., July 5
6:00 p.m. Study Session, Community Room
7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting, Council Chambers

Wed., July 6
7:00 a.m. City Attorney Candidate Meet-and-Greet, Community Room
Cancelled Alliance for Commerce in Englewood, City Council Conference Room

4:00 p.m. Englewood Housing Authority, Housing Authority Board Rm.
5:00 p.m. City Attorney Finalists Public Meet and Greet, Community Room
5:45 p.m. Cultural Arts Commission, Council Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Liquor & Medical Marijuana Licensing Authority, Council Chambers

Thur., July 7
8:00 a.m. City Attorney Finalist Interviews, Community Room

Mon., July 11
6:00 p.m. Study Session, Community Room

Tues., July 12
5:00 p.m. Water & Sewer Board, Community Development Conference Room
6:00 p.m. Keep Englewood Beautiful, City Council Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Library Board, Library Board Room

Wed., July 13
6:30 p.m. Urban Renewal Authority, City Council Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Board of Adjustment and Appeals, Council Chambers

Thurs., July 14
5:30 p.m. Parks and Recreation Commission Southwest Greenbelt

Mon., July 18
6:00 p.m. Study Session, Community Room
7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting, Council Chambers

Tues., July 19
4:30 p.m. Budget Advisory Committee, City Council Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Planning and Zoning Commission, Council Chambers

Wed., July 20
7:00 p.m. Liquor & Medical Marijuana Licensing Authority, Council Chambers

Mon., July 25
6:00 p.m. Study Session, Community Room

Mon., Aug. 1
2:00 p.m. Malley Center Trust Fund Board, Malley Senior Recreation Center
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TENTATIVE
STUDY SESSIONS TOPICS
FOR ENGLEWOOD CITY COUNCIL

July 5    Study Session & Regular Meeting – Tuesday
Marijuana TABOR Ballot Language Discussion
Council Goal-Setting: Police Facility Discussion
Comprehensive Plan

July 6    Candidate Community & Dept. Tour (Meet and Greet Breakfast) 7:00 a.m.

July 7    City Attorney Finalist Interviews (Community Room) 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

July 11   Study Session
EEF/EMRF Discussion
SBA Business in a Day Program
Comprehensive Plan

July 18   Study Session & Regular Meeting
Financial Report
2017 Budget Introduction
Library Board Presentation
Comprehensive Plan

July 25   Study Session
MOA Presentation
KEB Presentation
Broadway Improvements
Comprehensive Plan

August 1  Study Session & Regular Meeting
Council Goal Setting

August 8  Study Session
Board and Commissions Appreciation Night

August 15 Study Session & Regular Meeting
Financial Report
Communications and Marketing Strategic Plan

August 22 Study Session
Comprehensive Plan
Budget Discussion

August 29 Study Session-Budget Workshop

September 6 Study Session & Regular Meeting – Tuesday
Parks & Recreation Master Plan Draft 6:00-6:30 p.m.
September 12  Study Session
   Emerald Ash Borer Presentation
   Operational Plan Progress
   Dissolution of Englewood Ironworks/Urban Renewal Area

September 19  Study Session & Regular Meeting
   Financial Report

September 26  Study Session

October 3    Study Session & Regular Meeting

October 10   Study Session

October 17   Study Session & Regular Meeting
   Financial Report

October 24   Study Session
   Aid To Other Agencies Discussion

October 31   Halloween

FUTURE STUDY SESSION TOPICS

Gateway Signage
City Center Englewood Discussion
Xcel Partners in Energy
Joint Meeting with Englewood School District
Big Wonderful Outdoor Festival
Council policies/conduct
Historic Preservation