



Council Newsletter

CITY MANAGER'S NOTES October 18, 2018

Upcoming Council Meetings

City Council will meet on **Monday, October 22, 2018**. The Study Session will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. An Executive Session will follow in the City Council Conference Room.

There will be no meeting held on Monday, October 29, 2018.

City Council will meet on **Monday, November 5, 2018**. The Study Session will begin at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. The Regular Meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Informational Items

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

1. Englewood Herald article: Englewood Council chooses short-term City Manager
2. Englewood Herald article: Halloween Carnival to rock Rec Center
3. Englewood Herald article: Riding for Englewood Flood Victims
4. Calendar of Events
5. Tentative Study Session Topics
6. Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes – September 13, 2018



Englewood council chooses short-term city manager

Virginia Egger will replace Eric Keck in interim position

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After the departure of Englewood's city manager amid final city council discussions on the 2019 budget — and in a [climate of division](#) in the city — two candidates emerged to take the wheel as temporary manager.

"Foremost on my mind is the budget," said Othoniel Sierra, Englewood city councilmember, during the Oct. 9 interviews of the candidates. "Getting through the budget process and identifying what the priorities are, getting us prepared for 2019."

The council asked questions of Virginia Egger, former manager of the Town of Avon in western Colorado, and Wesley LaVanchy, former manager of the Town of Firestone in northern Colorado, at that special meeting. The council unanimously voted to select Egger for the position at the Oct. 15 council meeting.

"I think also helping us prepare for what we do want to look for in our permanent city manager," Councilmember Amy Martinez said, when Egger asked what expectations the council has for the interim city manager Oct. 9.

The manager is Englewood's top non-elected administrative official, who implements policy decisions made by the council. At the Sept. 4 city council meeting, former [Manager Eric Keck announced his exit](#) amid what he called a divisive few months for Englewood. He stepped down Oct. 5.

Keck, who served as manager for four years, decided to leave to take a private-sector job in another state. "Council dysfunction" was a small part of his decision, he said, but his resignation was influenced by his family and the opportunity to make an impact on many people in the new position.

The council began the process in early September to hire an interim manager — one step in the process to finding a full replacement, which is expected to take roughly six months. Initially, there were four applicants for the interim position, and two withdrew, according to Stephanie Carlile, city clerk.

Egger managed Avon from 2012 to 2018, according to her resume, which described the town as a bedroom and service community at the gateway to Beaver Creek Resort. She was a city administrator for the City of Sun Valley, Idaho, from 2004 to 2007 and manager of the Town of Telluride from 1988 to 1994.

LaVanchy served as town manager of Firestone from 2009 to 2016, director of operations for the town from 2007 to 2009, its finance director from 2005 to 2007, finance director for the City of Fort Lupton from 2003 to 2005 and the senior accountant for the City and County of Broomfield from 1998 to 2003, according to his resume.

A news release by Avon in June said Egger's notable accomplishments included her "role to facilitate the construction of the joint public safety facility and the Centura Health medical building, as well as the acquisition of the new Town Hall building."

That release also referenced the Avon Town Council's unanimous move in May to fire her, the Vail Daily reported in June.

Some Avon councilmembers expressed frustration in 2016 over Egger's management regarding a festival in the town, leading two to vote for a motion to terminate her, the newspaper reported. The motion to terminate her in May was made "without cause," and councilmembers don't have a legal obligation to explain why they let her go, the paper reported.

But Egger impressed Englewood's council across the board, councilmembers expressed at their Oct. 15 meetings.

"I just like the more thorough answers that Egger provided during the interview process," Sierra said. "She asked great questions of us."

Cuesta was convinced that "she's a Day One candidate," he said. "I think she can really hit the ground running."

At the Oct. 9 meeting, it didn't take long for recent challenges in the city to color the selection process.

"I do believe a lot of the staff believes we're a divided council," Mayor Pro Tem Rita Russell said to Egger. "We've heard that said."

Fixing city infrastructure and getting advice on how to generate more revenue were priorities for Mayor Linda Olson, she told Egger.

Egger said she wants to "lead from behind" and help address division in the body.

"My thought for them is finding a way to be a strong, collaborative council," Egger said.

Cuesta valued that Egger asked councilmembers how city staff and residents view the council, he said at the Oct. 15 council study-session meeting that discussed the candidates.

"It makes us hold a mirror to ourselves," Cuesta said. "It's very insightful."



Halloween Carnival set to rock rec center

Creatures of all kinds will gather in Englewood for games, attractions

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Visitors get the chance to debut their costumes a week ahead of time at the annual Englewood Halloween Carnival that will be held Oct. 20 at the Englewood Recreation Center, 1155 W. Oxford Ave.

For one night a year, the Englewood Recreation Center is transformed from a center dedicated to health and fitness into the spooky habitat of cackling witches and marauding monsters.

The red carpet is out from 4 to 9 p.m. for the weird and wacky. There is no charge for admission but game tickets are 25 cents each. A single ticket is required for most attractions.

Once a year, the recreation center undergoes a major transformation. The lobby is populated by a variety of characters and creatures handing out candy, and the gymnasium becomes a beehive of activities.

Game booths line the walls of the gym. The games usually include activities such as an opportunity to shoot a hockey puck into a goal and a chance to knock down figures with bean bags. Win or lose, the contestant gets a treat.

At the same time, the center of the gym floor is taken up by popular inflatable attractions like an obstacle course and an inflatable room where kids can jump up and down to enjoy the trampoline-like action of the air-filled floor.

There will be a haunted house and, in past years, a room was set aside for a variety of snakes and other crawling creatures.

A concession stand will sell snacks like popcorn, with proceeds going to benefit the Englewood Youth Council programs.

Englewood's Halloween Carnival is traditionally a popular event with children and with adults.

Mary Roberts said she and her family only came to Englewood a few months ago and the carnival sounds like a fun family event.

"The kid and I have been working on their costumes for a couple weeks," she said. "They both got excited when I told them about the carnival and we definitely plan to attend."



Riding for Englewood flood victims

Motorcyclists take to streets to benefit flood victims

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Sometimes, community is dressed in black and barreling down a highway.

About two dozen motorcycle riders — along with a few in cars — participated in a charity poker run in the south Denver metro area Oct. 13 to benefit the victims of the [July 24 flooding](#) in Englewood. The event, in which riders collect a playing card at each location along a route, began that morning at Platte River Bar and Grill at 5995 S. Santa Fe Drive in Littleton.

“We’re helping out the residents of Englewood, helping them get back on their feet,” said Audrey Paulus, 53, from Thornton. Paulus, with the group Cool Biker Lunch and Rides, organized the event with JJ Margiotta, owner of the motorcycle parts and repair shop Knuckleheads on South Broadway in Englewood.

Money collected from the event was to go to benefit flood victims, and the route ended at The Englewood Tavern on South Broadway near East Quincy Avenue.

Jackie Ortega, 45, volunteered with the event, keeping track of riders’ cards. She lives in Denver, but her friend lives just down the street from one of the hardest-hit areas of the flood that took one woman’s life and displaced several others.

“The whole neighborhood was upside-down that day,” said Shana Garcia, 45, who volunteered along with Ortega. She lives on the 4400 block of South Bannock Street and remembers seeing emergency vehicles during the flood.

“We’re doing our part in trying to help,” Ortega said.

**CITY OF ENGLEWOOD
2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Thurs., Oct. 18	11:00 a.m.	EEF Board/Public Works Conference Room
Mon., Oct. 22	6:00 p.m.	City Council Study Session and Executive Session
Tues., Oct 23	11:00 a.m.	Mayor/Manager Meeting
	5:15 p.m.	Budget Advisory Committee, City Council Conference Room
Mon., Oct 29		5 th Monday - No City Council Meeting
Mon., Nov 5	2:00 p.m.	Malley Center Trust Fund, Malley Recreation Center
	6:00 p.m.	City Council Study Session
	7:00 p.m.	City Council Regular Meeting
Tues., Nov. 6	11:00 a.m.	Mayor/Manager Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission, Council Chambers
Wed. Nov. 7	11:00 a.m.	Liquor and Marijuana Licensing Authority Public Hearing
	11:30 a.m.	Alliance for Commerce in Englewood, City Council Conference Room
	4:00 p.m.	Englewood Housing Authority, EHA Board Room
	5:45 p.m.	Cultural Arts Commission, Englewood Public Library, Perrin Room
Thurs., Nov. 8	2:30 p.m.	Police Officers Pension Board
	3:30 p.m.	Firefighters Pension Plan Board
	5:30 p.m.	Parks and Recreation Commission, Malley Recreation Center, 3380 S. Lincoln St.
	6:00 p.m.	Transportation Advisory Committee, City Council Conf. Room
Mon., Nov. 13	.	Veteran's Day Holiday
Tues., Nov. 13	11:00 a.m.	Mayor/Manager Meeting
	5:00 p.m.	Water & Sewer Board, Community Development Conf. Room
	5:30 p.m.	Keep Englewood Beautiful, City Council Conference Room
	6:00 p.m.	City Council Study Session
	7:00 p.m.	Public Library Board, Englewood Public Library, Altenbach Room
Wed., Nov. 14	6:30 p.m.	Englewood Urban Renewal Authority, City Council Conference Room
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Adjustment and Appeals, Council Chambers

Mon., Nov. 19	7:00 p.m.	City Council Regular Meeting
Tues., Nov. 20	11:00 a.m.	Mayor/Manager Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission, Council Conference Room/Council Chambers
Wed., Nov. 21	5:30 p.m.	Code Enforcement Advisory Committee (tentative)
Mon., Nov 26	6:00 p.m.	City Council Study Session
Tues., Nov 27	11:00 a.m.	Mayor/Manager Meeting
	5:15 p.m.	Budget Advisory Committee, City Council Conference Room
Wed., Nov. 28	6:30 p.m.	Historic Preservation Commission, Community Development Conference Room
Mon., Dec 3	7:00 p.m.	City Council Regular Meeting
Tues., Dec. 4	11:00 a.m.	Mayor/Manager Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission, City Council Conference Room/Council Chambers
Wed., Dec. 5	11:00 a.m.	Liquor and Marijuana Licensing Authority Public Hearing
	11:30 a.m.	Alliance for Commerce in Englewood, City Council Conference Room
	4:00 p.m.	Englewood Housing Authority, EHA Board Room
	5:45 p.m.	Cultural Arts Commission, Englewood Public Library, Perrin Room
Mon., Dec. 10	6:00 p.m.	City Council Study Session
Tues., Dec. 11	11:00 a.m.	Mayor/Manager Meeting
	3:00 p.m.	NonEmergency Employees Retirement Plan
	5:00 p.m.	Water & Sewer Board, Community Development Conf. Room
	5:30 p.m.	Keep Englewood Beautiful, City Council Conference Room
	7:00 p.m.	Public Library Board, Englewood Public Library, Altenbach Room
Wed., Dec. 12	6:30 p.m.	Englewood Urban Renewal Authority, City Council Conference Room
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Adjustment and Appeals, Council Chambers
Thurs., Dec., 13	5:30 p.m.	Parks and Recreation Commission, Englewood Recreation Center, Aquatics Room, 1155 W. Oxford Ave.
Mon., Dec. 17	5:30 p.m.	Council Holiday Dinner
Tues., Dec. 18	7:00 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission, City Council Conference

TENTATIVE
STUDY SESSIONS TOPICS
FOR ENGLEWOOD CITY COUNCIL

- Oct 22 Study Session
 Redevelopment Program Update
 Financial Report
 Comprehensive Plan Update
- Oct 29 5th Monday – No Meeting
- Nov 5 Study Session
 Englewood Environmental Foundation and Englewood McClellan Reservoir
 Foundation
- Nov 5 Regular Meeting
- Nov 13 Study Session (Tuesday)
 Code Enforcement Discussion
- Nov 19 Study Session
 Museum of Outdoor Art Annual Update
 Board and Commission Process and Reappointment Discussion
- Nov 19 Regular Meeting
- Nov 26 Study Session
 EEF/EMRF Discussion (if needed)
- Dec 3 Study Session
 Aid to Agencies In-Kind Donation Discussion
- Dec 3 Regular Meeting
- Dec 10 Study Session
 Capital/Infrastructure Discussion
 Occupational Privilege Tax
- Dec 17 Council Holiday Dinner
- Dec 24 Holidays
- Jan 3 Board and Commission Interviews
- Jan 7 Regular Meeting
- Jan 14 Study Session
 Cultural Arts Discussion
 Board and Commission Appointment Discussion

Jan 21 Regular Meeting
Jan 28 Study Session

FUTURE STUDY SESSION TOPICS

Parks Funding
Council Policy Manual Finalization
Board & Commission Presentations
Small Cell Technology Discussion
Youth Commission Discussion
Building Use Tax Discussion
Home Rule Charter Amendment Discussion
Home Rule Charter Review
ULI Healthy Corridor Report Study
Joint meeting with the Planning and Zoning Commission
Procurement Policy Discussion
After Action Report on Flooding
Citizen of the Year
Long Term Financing

Boards and Commissions

Board and Commission Interviews (January and June)
Alliance for Commerce in Englewood Committee
Board of Adjustment and Appeals
Budget Advisory Committee
Code Enforcement Advisory Board (May)
Cultural Arts Commission
Election Commission
Englewood Housing Authority (February)
Keep Englewood Beautiful Commission (May)
Liquor Licensing Authority
Fire Pension, Police Pension and Retirement Board
Parks and Recreation Commission
Planning and Zoning Commission (February)
Public Library Board (June)
Transportation Advisory Committee
Urban Renewal Authority
Water and Sewer Board



MINUTES
Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting
Thursday, September 13, 2018

PRESENT: Christine Adams
Kathy Christie
Amber Christopher
Karen Miller
Kate Truesdale
Jim Woodward
Othoniel Sierra, City Council Liaison

ABSENT: Mark Husbands (Excused)

STAFF PRESENT: Dorothy Hargrove, Director of Parks, Recreation and Library
Debby Severa, Staff Liaison

1. Call to Order

- a. The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm by Vice Chair Christie in the Englewood Recreation Center's Aquatics Room.

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of Minutes

- a. August 9, 2018

Moved by Member Karen Miller
Seconded by Member Amber Christopher

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 9, 2018 AS WRITTEN.

Motion CARRIED.

4. Scheduled Public Comment (presentation limited to 10 minutes)

5. Unscheduled Public Comment (presentation limited to 5 minutes)

6. New Business

7. Old Business

- a. Update on Friends of Englewood Parks Initial Community Meeting

8. Staff's Choice

9. Commissioner's Choice

10. Adjournment

- a. Vice Chair Christie adjourned the meeting at 5:56pm.

Debby Severa, Staff Liaison