

# MINUTES

CITY OF FORT COLLINS • BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS



## Land Conservation & Stewardship Board November 13, 2024 Regular Meeting – Excerpt

### Members:

Ross Cunniff, Chair	Holger Kley, Member
Scott Mason, Vice Chair	Elena Lopez, Member
Denise Culver, Member	River Mizell, Member
Andrea Elson, Member	Mark Sears, Member
Jennifer Gooden, Member	

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

### 2. ROLL CALL:

**LCSB:** Scott Mason, Jennifer Gooden, Andrea Elson, Elena Lopez, Ross Cunniff, River Mizell, Holger Kley

**Excused:** Mark Sears, Denise Culver

**NAD Staff:** Katie Donahue, Julia Feder, Emily Shingler, Matt Parker, Tawnya Ernst, Rachael Russell, Mary Boyts

**City Staff:** Kirk Longstein, Sr. Environmental Planner; Sharon Appell, Technical Project Manager

**Guests:** Carlos Medina and Linsey Chalfant, Fort Collins-Loveland Water District; Chris Matkins, Ally Utility Consulting

***Excerpt related to this Council Meeting Agenda Item: Fort Collins-Loveland Water District Waterline Easement Application for Cathy Fromme Prairie Natural Area***

### 6. ACTION ITEMS

#### **Fort Collins-Loveland Water District Waterline Easement Application**

**Tawnya Ernst, Land Conservation Lead Specialist** stated she was seeking a recommendation from the LCSB to approve the granting of a permanent waterline easement to Fort Collins-Loveland Water District (FCLWD) across Cathy Fromme Prairie Natural Area (Cathy Fromme). Tawnya noted that the project was processed through the City's 1041 permit procedures and was issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). She shared that NAD and City staff worked closely with FCLWD staff throughout the process.

Tawnya stated that the easement would include the conveyance of a new waterline, connecting to an existing waterline on the western boundary of Cathy Fromme and to a new water tank, to be built on Larimer County's landfill property. If the easement is approved, staff will collaborate with FCLWD to ensure restoration of Cathy Fromme to its preconstruction condition.

#### **Discussion**

Board Members expressed appreciation for the 1041 permit process and were supportive of the easement's conditions, including for restoration following construction. In response to questions about prairie dog management, Tawnya stated that NAD staff have worked closely with FCLWD on mitigation plans for this project and will continue to do so for future maintenance needs.

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***Vice Chair Mason made a motion that the Land Conservation and Stewardship Board recommends that City Council approve the granting of a permanent waterline easement to FCLWD across Cathy Fromme Natural Area. Member Elson seconded the motion. The motion was approved 6-1, with Member Lopez voting nay.***