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HUERFANO COUNTY GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Date: December 10, 2024
To: Huerfano County Board of County Commissioners
From: Carl Young, County Administrator
Re: Report for the December 10th Regular BOCC Meeting

Please accept the following report of accomplishments, updates, and upcoming activities.

Open Positions

None.

All County Job Openings, including duties, qualifications, and wages are posted on the County Website at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/huerfano>

Notes to the Board

- A big thank you to Erica Vigil and everyone that worked so hard on the Holiday Party, it was a great time!
- The County Comprehensive Plan is out for public comment until January 6, 2024. The Planning Commission will host a public hearing this Thursday, December 12th at 1:30PM in the Commissioner's Meeting Room. The Plan can be viewed on the County Website: <https://huerfano.us/notice-of-public-comment-draft-county-comprehensive-plan/>
- The regular BOCC Meeting, scheduled for 12/23 will be rescheduled for next Tuesday, 12/17. The BOCC will not meet again, unless a special meeting is needed, until January 14, 2025.
- The 2023 Audit is still in progress, I am hopeful we will have the audit before the end of the year.

Activities

- November 20, 2024 – Attended November Winter Storm After Action Review
- November 20, 2024 – Met with representatives of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, part of the US Dept. of Homeland Security, about improving the County's cybersecurity readiness and services the agency provides to local governments.
- November 20, 2024 – Submitted EPA Community Change Grant
- November 22, 2024 – Met with Gardner Valley School about a potential GOCO Grant project for the school's playground and the adjoining County Park

- November 25, 2024 – Met with the City and GMS to discuss a water and sewer extension to Chae's facility on the east side of I-25.
- November 25, 2024 – Met with our engineers at KLJ and TLM Constructors about the project to replace the CR 543 Bridge over the Huerfano River.
- November 25, 2024 – Met with Converjint about ongoing projects at the Judicial Center and County Courthouse.
- November 25, 2024 – Attended law enforcement agreement negotiation session with the City of Walsenburg
- November 26, 2024 – Met with Verkada about Jail Camera System
- November 26, 2024 – Met with Vashti Thomas-Wachterman about the HCC's project to develop a convenience store in Gardner. Discussion centered around what the County would want to see in order for the project to move forward on County-owned property and areas of possible collaboration. HCC is still working out significant components of the business model and layout of the facility.
- December 2, 2024 – Attended Colorado Counties Inc. Winter Conference in Westminster
- December 4, 2024 – Met with Granite about installation of dedicated internet service for the County Courthouse and transitioning the County to VOIP
- December 5, 2024 – Met with GMS about the Gardner Public Improvement District and the upcoming projects including the WaterSMART Grant and the Sewer Project.
- December 5, 2024 – Met with the Fox Theatre Walsenburg, McKinstry, Form+Works Design, and JVA Engineering regarding the Fox Theatre Phase 2 Project. We expect plans for review and bidding to be delivered on or about December 18, 2024.
- December 6, 2024 – Met with DOLA on the Fox Theatre Phase 2 Project, specifically about reimbursements and documentation requirements.
- December 6, 2024 – Met with Drive Clean Colorado about funding and options for adding hybrid vehicles to the County Fleet.
- December 6, 2024 – Attended McKinstry Project Coordination Meeting. Revised Jail Kitchen quote is at least a week out.