

- June 8th, 2023 – Work Session
 - Stream Restoration Projects
 - Most residents during Resident Speak Out were there to talk about the Lake Elkhorn Stream Restoration project. Their concerns are regarding WSSI’s initial prospectus that they shared and the science on which it’s based. A few of the residents have degrees in geology or hydrology.
 - “Downtown Update” – Greg Fitchitt, HHC
 - Greg Fitchitt presented about an hour of the overview of the downtown plan.
 - The focus is on the Merriweather District – building new full-spectrum housing, high-density in these areas, near Busboys and Poets.
 - Also plan to put up another office building – the most recent office building (The Tenable building) is >90% occupied and there is a need for more office space.
 - Bark Social will be occupying an area near Merriweather Post Pavilion. They have been told that the space is theirs until it is needed for other development per the Downtown plan.
 - Discussed the Library plan at length. It will sit up on the hill by Lake Kittamaqundi and the design is meant to be in line with buildings Frank Gehry who built the Rouse Company building (Whole Foods). Believes it is important to use that space for something that is open and available to the public to show what Columbia values. The building will be turned over to the County once it is complete.
 - Ethics Policy
 - The ethics policy that was signed by all CA BOD members during the previous meeting was the old version. The new version had some contradictions and unclear language found by the CA Legal team that needed to be addressed.
 - During this session, we reviewed the updates that were requested by the previous Board and changes suggested by outside Legal teams. These were discussed and most passed with the exception of the enforcement policy for ethics violations.
 - The new ethics policy includes enforcement of ethics violations by an Ethics Panel. As written, the Ethics Panel would be made up of three lawyers from firms that CA has worked the most with in the past. The enforcement policy would also allow members of the Ethics Panel (the lawyers) raise ethics complaints against Board members, which was seen as a conflict of interest.
 - This ended up with the Board deciding to further discuss the make up of the Ethics Panel and the powers they would possess.
 - President’s Goals and Objectives for FY2024
 - Dennis Matthey presented his goals as follows:
 - Create a collaborative working relationship between CA Board and CA staff to facilitate working together for the best outcomes
 - Meet or exceed financial goals as approved by the Board in the FY24 budget
 - Facilitate the President/CEO search process
 - Facilitate the General Counsel search process

- Facilitate the next 5-year strategic plan
- Implement Columbia Corps Community Engagement Initiative
- ArcGIS integration with open space assets, mapping, invasive plant management, etc.
- Create collaborative partnerships for lakefront programming
- Create a CA communications initiative focusing on sustainability
- Engage residents to further participate in CA programming initiatives
- The Board reviewed and asked questions, mostly around what was meant by several of the objectives and how they would be measured.
- No significant oppositions were raised to the proposed goals.