

# Centennial Boulevard Extension (Fillmore Street to Fontanero Street)



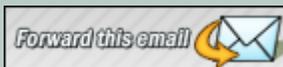
## eNewsletter - August 2016

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Welcome to the Centennial Boulevard Extension e-newsletter. Future e-newsletters will be sent periodically with project updates, upcoming meeting schedules and other useful information about the project.

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### Project Team Obtains Valuable Feedback from Adjacent Property Owners



With design of the new Centennial Boulevard extension underway, the project team wanted to hear from property owners closest to the alignment of the new road their preferences for landscaping/aesthetics and parks/trails access, as well as discuss environmental impacts. A July 14 meeting with the property owners at the Academy for Advanced and Creative Learning school provided an overview of the project and breakout table topics for property owners and citizens to discuss landscaping/aesthetics options and provide feedback on all aspects of the project. Approximately 70 citizens participated in the meeting. The feedback will be incorporated as the project engineers and landscape architects develop the design plans for the new extension of Centennial Boulevard. (Meeting summary, presentation materials and Frequently Asked Questions from the meeting will be posted to the project website within the next week: <http://coloradosprings.gov>)

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**Project Schedule**

**Mid 2016:** Preliminary Design - Design advancement of the preferred alternative.

Goal of this phase: Define right-of-way/easement impacts and project costs

**Late 2016:** Final Design - Obtain feedback from the preliminary design and evolve into further design advancement of preferred alternative. Goal of this phase: Refine design and develop construction documents

**2017:** Construction Phase - Incorporate comments from Final design and prepare final construction documents.

**Property Owners Offered First-Hand Look at Road Alignment During Field Site Visit**



During the July property owner's meeting, the project team offered to arrange a field site visit if there was interest in a first-hand look at the location of the new road extension, the bike lanes/paths and sidewalks, and to discuss landscaping/aesthetics, parks/trails access, and other aspects of the project. A field site tour has been scheduled for the following time/date:

**Field Site Visit Date:** Monday, Aug. 15

**Time:** 6:30 p.m. The time was set to allow participants to get home, have dinner and change into appropriate hiking clothes.

**Meeting Location:** We will gather at the top of the hill at the existing west terminus of Fontanero St. (look for the blue canopy). We'll walk down to the site from there. Be aware if you plan to walk to the gathering location, that Fontanero St. is on an incline and so may present a bit of a workout. If you drive to the gathering location, you may park along Fontanero St.

**Attire:** Please wear appropriate hiking shoes as we will be in an area of uneven, natural terrain and not on a trail.

**Weather:** Currently the weather looks like it will be favorable on Aug. 15. Should we need to postpone the site visit due to adverse weather conditions, a follow-up email like this one will be sent; however, feel free to call the project public communications team at 488-5908 to verify if you are not sure of the status.

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**RSVP:** For our planning purposes, kindly send an email letting us know if you will be attending the field site visit to: [gigi@bachmanpr.com](mailto:gigi@bachmanpr.com)



## Project Background

The City of Colorado Springs is undertaking a project to extend Centennial Boulevard from Fillmore Street to the Interstate-25/ Fontanero Street interchange. This important roadway extension will provide much needed connectivity and mobility options to the west side of Colorado Springs as well as alleviate traffic congestion along Fillmore and Chestnut streets. Planned by the city for more than 30 years, the Centennial Boulevard extension was originally anticipated as a six-lane principal arterial to address travel demand between the Garden of the Gods Corridor and downtown. As land use and growth conditions evolved over time, the City reclassified the Centennial Boulevard Extension as a four-lane minor arterial.

The extension project was included in the original Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority (PPRTA) program as a "C-list" project, but was not funded as other priorities took precedence. With increased development in the area and the growing need for this connection, it is on the PPRTA extension "A-list" of projects approved by more than 80 percent of the voters in 2012.