

**Conservatory Metropolitan District
Community Update
October 2020**

As part of its ongoing effort to keep residents apprised of current matters before the Board of Directors of the Conservatory Metropolitan District (the "District"), the Board intends to provide periodic updates to the community. The information contained herein is only a brief summary, and residents are encouraged to attend Board meetings to learn about matters firsthand. With the exception of January, which is the fourth Monday, and special meetings, the Board meets regularly at 9:00 a.m. on the third Monday of March, May, June, July, September and October. Minutes of recent meetings are posted to the District's website. For additional information please contact the District Manager at (720) 213-6621 or visit our website at www.yourcmd.org.

2021 Budget Hearing: The District will hold its budget hearing on Monday, October 19th at 9:00 a.m. We are excited to announce that, based on the initial review of the draft budget, the Board expects to reduce the mill levy again this year. A reduction of five (5) mills is anticipated, which would take the mill levy from the current 52.114 mills, to 47.114 mills. As you may know the property tax paid by each homeowner depends on the mill levy imposed, and the value of the property. As an example, for a property valued by Arapahoe County at \$500,000 a reduction of five mills would equate to an annual tax savings of \$180. Properties valued higher will see a greater savings, and properties with lower valuation will see less of a reduction. Due to concerns regarding the spread of the Coronavirus, the budget hearing will be held via Zoom without individuals attending in person. The Zoom link is as follows: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7636703470>, Meeting ID: 763-670-3470.

Pet Waste Stations: The District is planning to replace 17 of the canisters situated throughout the community as they have rusted over the years and are starting to look unsightly. Two of the 19 canisters were recently replaced and the Board has decided that it is time to replace the remaining 17. The replacements are expected to be made in late October or early November.

Detention Pond No. 6 Continuing Renovations: Major renovations to the District's water quality detention ponds started in 2018 and are now substantially complete. The District has decided to undertake additional work on Pond 6, the largest of the District's six ponds, to reduce erosion and eliminate a steeply embanked ditch next to the public path in Tract JJ. The District is in the planning stage to extend and bury the storm drainpipe at the inlet point to eliminate the steep embankments. Proper design and approval by the City of Aurora is required for such projects. To accomplish this work the District solicited proposals from several engineering firms. At its July 20th Special Board Meeting the District's Board engaged RG and Associates to perform the design, surveying, bidding, and project management for this important project. RG and Associates has completed surveying the area and is presently in the design phase. The District hopes to start construction later this year when water flow conditions are typically at their lowest. The locations of the District's detention ponds are noted on the Maintenance Responsibility Map attached to each mail kiosk and viewable from the District's. The following is a link to the downloadable map: https://yourcmd.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/2020-Maintenance-and-Snow-Removal_Recreated_P5.pdf

Detention Pond No. 7 Cleanup and Restoration: The District recently accepted ownership of the detention pond in Tract V located along S. Conservatory Parkway across from S. Ireland Court. The pond is in need of extensive work to get it back to its original capacity. The District engaged RG and Associates to perform the design, surveying, bidding, and project management for the project. The District has included funding in its draft budget for 2021 and expects the construction to take place in late 2021 or early 2022.

Mailbox Kiosks: The District is presently gathering information and assessing the condition of the mailbox kiosks in the community. Based on this information the Board will be seeking proposals for repairs and painting.