# STUDY SESSION AGENDA
**TUESDAY**
March 16, 2021

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<td>10:30 A.M.</td>
<td>Adam Burg / Eliza Schultz / Elisabeth Rosen / Alan Morse</td>
<td>Legislative Update</td>
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<td>Jill Jennings Golich / Ryan Nalty / Katie Keefe / Greg Dean / Christy Fitch</td>
<td>Oil and Gas Update</td>
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<td>11:40 A.M.</td>
<td>Jill Jennings Golich / Ryan Nalty / Byron Fanning / Brian Staley / Jen Rutter / Libby Tart / Chris Chovan / Anna Laybourn, Design Workshop</td>
<td>Advancing Adams Phase 1 Overview</td>
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<td>12:10 P.M.</td>
<td>Sean Braden / Byron Fanning / Cyndi Stringham / Robert Sheetz</td>
<td>Adams County Veterans Memorial</td>
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<td>12:40 P.M.</td>
<td>Matt Rivera / Paolo Diaz / Rebeca Zamora</td>
<td>Neighborhood Engagement Update</td>
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<td>1:10 P.M.</td>
<td>Dr. John Douglas, Executive Director</td>
<td>Tri-County Health Department Update</td>
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<td>1:40 P.M.</td>
<td>Raymond Gonzales</td>
<td>Administrative Item Review / Commissioners Communication</td>
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**TO WATCH THE MEETING:**
- Watch the virtual Zoom Study Session through our [You Tube Channel](#)

*(AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS OF PUBLIC BUSINESS WHICH MAY ARISE)*

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<td>CONTACT:</td>
<td>Jill Jennings-Golich, Community &amp; Economic Development Director; Katie Keefe, Environmental Program Manager; Greg Dean, Oil &amp; Gas Liaison; Christy Fitch, Assistant County Attorney</td>
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<td>FINACIAL IMPACT:</td>
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<td>DIRECTION NEEDED:</td>
<td>BoCC direction on focus areas for 2021 text amendments to County oil and gas regulations</td>
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<td>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</td>
<td>Staff recommends two phases of oil and gas regulation amendments with changes to Oil and Gas Facility Permit development application submission and performance standards in the current County regulations for alignment with revised state rules.</td>
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### DISCUSSION POINTS:
- Proposed timeline for oil and gas regulation amendments
- Staff's proposed focus areas
  - Phases of County regulations amendments
  - Summary of proposed focus areas
  - Permitting process and conforming performance standard changes
  - Setback discussion
Oil & Gas Update

Regulation Amendments

Agenda

Text amendment process and timeline

OGF permitting decisions

Staff’s proposed focus areas

- Phases of County regulation amendments
- Summary of proposed focus areas
- Permitting process and conforming performance standard changes
- Setbacks

BoCC direction
Oil & Gas Update

Regulation Amendments

Process and Proposed Timeline

* The County will accept all public comments until the final hearing deadlines
2021 Oil & Gas Regulation Amendments
Stakeholder Meeting

OGF Permitting Decisions

**Administrative or BoCC Determination**

- ACDS&R maintains the ability for:
  - The Director of CEDD to approve an OGF Permit administratively that meets all ACDS&R
  - The Director of CEDD to send any OGF Permit to public hearing for BoCC decision, regardless if it meets all ACDS&R
  - The Director of CEDD to attach any conditions of approval necessary to implement the AdCo Comprehensive Plan, ensure compatibility with adjacent uses, or that are protective of public health, safety, welfare, the environment, or wildlife resources
  - OGF Permits to be heard at a public hearing in front of the BoCC that requires any non-administrative waivers from any approval criteria or performance standards. The BoCC also maintains the authority to attach any conditions of approval necessary to implement the AdCo Comp Plan, ensure compatibility with adjacent uses, or that are protective of public health, safety, welfare, the environment, or wildlife resources.
Oil & Gas Update

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Staff’s Proposed Focus Areas

Phase I – February – July 2021

• Application Submittals
  o Impact Plans
    ▪ Odor, Dust, and Light Mitigation Plans
    ▪ Water and Wildlife Protection Plan
    ▪ Community Outreach Plan
    ▪ Traffic and Transportation Plan
    ▪ Noise Mitigation Plan
    ▪ Cumulative Impacts Plan

• Performance Standards
  o Noise
  o Traffic Impact Studies
  o Other conforming changes

• Setbacks
  o Residential Buildings, School Facilities, Parks/Open Spaces, Surface Water, water wells
  o Evaluate current setback distances

Phase II – End 2021 - 2022

• Air Quality Monitoring regulation revisions
  o Monitoring Plan specifics and duration
  o Data and report sharing

• Other topics not covered in Phase I
  o County permit expirations
  o Non-emergency notices
  o Financial assurances

• Reciprocal Setbacks (setbacks from new development to existing or permitted oil and gas facilities)
  o Reciprocal setback distance by well status
  o Measurement of reciprocal setbacks
## Oil & Gas Update

### Regulation Amendments

#### Staff’s Proposed Focus Areas

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<th>Regulation / Topic Area</th>
<th>Current AdCo Regulations vs. new state standards</th>
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<td>Pre-Application Process – agency coordination</td>
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<td>Alternative Site Analysis</td>
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<td>Air Emissions / Air Quality Monitoring</td>
<td>ACDS&amp;R already meet new state emissions standards</td>
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<td>ACDS&amp;R can require air quality monitoring for any application, AQCC now regulates air monitoring</td>
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Permitting Process & Conforming Performance Standard Changes

Impact Plans:
- Require an applicant to submit individual impacts plans that demonstrate compliance with all ACDS&R and/or COGCC rules. Staff’s proposal for new or modified plans and conforming performance standard changes are:
  - **Dust Mitigation Plan:** Odor Mitigation Plan; and **Lighting Mitigation Plan:** These plans will require Operators do demonstrate compliance with applicable ACDS&R, COGCC, CDPHE, and AQCC rules.

Proposed Performance Standards Changes:
- **Dust:** AdCo can require any BMPs necessary and reasonable to reduce dust including: use of vehicle speed restrictions, regular road maintenance, and restricting construction on high wind days
- **Odor:** AdCo can require all necessary and reasonable actions to reduce odor and require Operator to conduct additional air sampling in response to an odor complaint
- **Light:** AdCo can require BMPs to reduce light including: use of motion activated/timer lighting, no or low-glare lighting, and mounting height and positioning of lighting
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Stakeholder Meeting

Staff’s Proposed Focus Areas

**Permitting Process & Conforming Performance Standard Changes**

**Impact Plans:**

- **Water and Wildlife Protection Plan:** This plan will require Operators to demonstrate compliance with applicable ACDS&R, COGCC, and CPW rules for wetlands, environmentally sensitive areas, water supply and source, water quality protection, water sampling, and habitat avoidance and protection.

- **Community Outreach Plan:** This entirely new submission will require Operators to discuss their plans for regular updates to communities, AdCo, and other stakeholders, to identify any Disproportionately Impacted Communities within ½ mile and measures taken to mitigate those impacts, and a plan for how information will be shared with the public and in which language(s).

**Proposed Performance Standards Changes:**

- AdCo will require a Natural Resources Evaluation for all applications
- AdCo will require quarterly neighborhood meetings from permit approval through the completion of the first wellbore at the facility. AdCo can require additional neighborhood meetings as necessary to address resident questions and concerns
- AdCo can require an Operator to provide multi-lingual correspondence and/or representatives for all notices or neighborhood meetings
Impact Plans:

- **Traffic and Transportation Plan**: This plan will require an Operator to demonstrate compliance with ACDS&R to ensure public safety and maintain quality of life for all users of County transportation systems, adjacent residents, and affected property owners.

**Proposed Performance Standards Changes:**

- Conforming changes to Traffic Impact Study requirements in ACDS&R to require such studies:
  - Include project lifetime traffic estimates during each phase of operations
  - Include project lifetime traffic estimates cumulatively and along each proposed route
  - Require a discussion of road width, weight allowance, local government jurisdiction, access on and off location, turning radii, and staging/waiting plans during operations
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Staff’s Proposed Focus Areas

**Permitting Process & Conforming Performance Standard Changes**

**Impact Plans:**

- **Noise Mitigation Plan:** This plan will require an Operator to demonstrate compliance with ACDS&R and COGCC Rule 423 for noise

**Proposed Performance Standards Changes:**

- AdCo will require noise modeling (in addition to an ambient baseline noise study) for all applications. Required noise modeling will demonstrate compliance with all noise standards for each phase of operation, and any required mitigation necessary
- AdCo will require continual noise monitoring at all OGFs located within ½ mile of any residential building unit, school facility, or residentially zoned parcels
- AdCo will require an Operator to comply with the lowest maximum permissible noise levels in COGCC R.423 for an OGF located within 2,000-feet of a land-use designation boundary
Impact Plans:

- **Cumulative Impacts Plan:** This entirely new plan will require Operators to submit a qualitative and quantitative (where necessary) evaluation and discussion of proposed OGF’s impacts on air, public health and welfare, water, wildlife and ecosystems, soil, traffic, light, noise, dust, and odor.
  
  - Cumulative adverse impacts expected and any planned increases in those impacts from all oil and gas and heavy industrial operations occurring within one (1) mile of the proposed site and specific measures proposed to avoid or minimize such.
  
  - Demonstrate compliance with COGCC Rule 303.a.5 and Rule 304.c.19.
### Setbacks

- Proposed OGF must be 2,000-feet or more from any one (1) existing residential building unit, platted residential lots, school facilities, high occupancy building units, environmentally sensitive area, or designated parks or open spaces.
- Proposed OGF must be 1,000-feet or more from surface water bodies and certain water wells
- Setbacks will be measured from the edge of disturbance of the pad to the property line
- Waivers from Setback Requirements:
  - **Administrative Waiver**: may be obtained if an Operator receives a written waiver from each primary resident and property owner located within the setback. *Administrative waivers cannot be granted for setbacks from school facilities, environmentally sensitive areas, surface water, or water wells.*
  - **Other Waivers**: may be granted after a public hearing before the Board of County Commissioners only after the Operator has demonstrated the request can meet the criteria for approval or provide *substantially equivalent* protections for public health, safety, welfare, the environment, and wildlife resources.

### Summary of initial stakeholder meetings
Current Adams County Setbacks:
- Residential Buildings and Schools: 1,000-feet
- Environmentally Sensitive Areas: 1,000-feet
Proposed Setbacks:
- Residential Buildings and Schools: 2,000-feet
- Environmentally Sensitive Areas: 2,000-feet
- DWR Water Wells: 1,000-feet
Alternative Proposed Setbacks:
- Residential Buildings and Schools: 2,000-feet
- Environmentally Sensitive Areas: 1,000-feet
- DWR Water Wells: 1,000-feet
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Setback Maps

Proposed Setbacks:
- Residential Buildings and Schools: 2,000-feet
- Environmentally Sensitive Areas: 2,000-feet
- DWR Water Wells: 1,000-feet
Alternative Proposed Setbacks:
- Residential Buildings and Schools: 2,000-feet
- Environmentally Sensitive Areas: 2,000-feet
- DWR Water Wells: 1,000-feet
Requested Direction from the Board

• Staff is requesting direction on the proposed focus areas for amendments to County oil and gas regulations prior to the release of the official draft rule text for initial public and referral agency comment.
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DISCUSSION POINTS:

This study session presentation is the culmination of Phase 1 of the Advancing Adams long range planning campaign. Advancing Adams encompasses the Comprehensive Plan, Parks Open Space and Trails Master Plan (POST) and Transportation Master Plan (TMP). Staff will provide the BOCC with a Phase 1 outreach overview with a PowerPoint presentation.
• Single bullet points summarizing the pertinent information Commissioners will be informed of, or the action needed from the Commissioners.
• Updates on each plan
• Updates on the 5 Corridors
  o Pecos Street
  o Federal Boulevard
  o Washington Street
  o 120th Avenue
  o 104th Avenue
• Recent Focus Group and Public Feedback Summary
• Next Steps
Today’s Discussion

• Report
  • 90% Existing Conditions
  • Five Corridors
• Outreach Summaries
  • Common Themes
  • Outreach Success
  • Lessons Learned
• Phase 2 Next Steps and Seasonal Preview
• Questions
90% Existing Condition Reports
What We Heard – Common Themes

- Homelessness
- Streetscape Aesthetics
- Pedestrian Connectivity and Safety
- Trail Connectivity and Safety
- Sense of Place/Identity
What We Heard – Common Themes

• Recreation Programming Coverage for Unincorporated Adams County
• Transit Service Gaps
• Water Supply
• Regional Trail Connections
• Park and Open Space System Gaps
What We Heard – Common Themes

- Diversity and Inclusivity in the Advancing Adams Process
- Diversity and Equity in Farm Ownership
- Historic Preservation
- Agritourism
- Sustainability
Types of Outreach

- Briefings
- Interviews
- Focus Groups
- Youth Workbook
- Survey
- “Meet People Where They Are”
- Public Outreach Notices
- Public Outreach Events
- Public Meeting
Highlights of Public Outreach and Lessons Learned

• StoryMaps – Initial Public Outreach
• Focus Groups
• Public Meeting – English Hour
• Public Meeting - Spanish Hour
• Youth Workbook
• Simple Surveys
Next Steps and Phase 2
Immediate Next Steps

• Existing Conditions Report (Phase 1)
  • Includes Five Corridor Analysis
  • Posted to Website
• Phase 2 Kickoff Meeting
• Calendar of Events
Looking Forward

**Spring**
- Kickoff
- Youth Events

**Summer**
- Popup Events
- Adams County Fair

**Fall**
- Popup Events
- Survey
- Youth Events

**Fall/Winter**
- Phase 2 Wrap Up
Discussion/Questions

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<td>SUPPORT/RESOURCES REQUEST: Review and feedback</td>
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<td>DIRECTION NEEDED: To provide an update of the design with 3D models and approach to scope and budget for funding planning and phasing.</td>
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<td>RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval from Board to continue direction and proceed with design development.</td>
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DISCUSSION POINTS:

- Status Update
- Estimated Schedule
- Overall Layout
- Big Picture
- Model Renderings
Status Update

**Vision:** A multi generational use of the area to reflect on the Veterans service towards country, family and the history of the country’s own wars and battles that gave us the liberties that we have today. Places where families may gather to tell their part of serving through their own eyes or through the eyes of watching their loved ones serve in the military.

**Status:**
- On hold April – November 2020; Resumed bi-monthly design meetings
- Developed concept design with details (Images following)
- Explored components for fit into ‘big picture’ for later phases – larger parking lot, amphitheater
- Update meeting with Veterans Advisory Board for feedback and approval on direction (Jan. 6th)
- In SOQ process for CMGC (Construction Manager/General Contractor)
Considerations

• Necessary for Construction Management (CMGC) involvement for materials and design elements in order to develop true cost estimates and stay within targeted budget

• Developing ‘Wants vs Needs’ to assist scope / phasing approach
Schedule (Estimated)

• Design development complete with CMGC by end of summer
• Groundbreaking before end of year 2021
• Noted: NaCo is in Colorado July 2022 (project will be in progress)
Overall Layout

19 parking + 5 handicap spaces
ENTRY PLAZA

CONCRETE TECHNIQUES

ADAMS COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL

STENCIL STAMPING

ENGRAVING & SANDBLASTING

SANDSCAPE

LITHOCRETE FLATWORK

BRASS PLAQUE - EMBEDDED

LITHOMOSAIC - COLORFUL TILES
Grading / Ramps
75 parking + 8 handicap spaces + 6 Reserved spaces for Veterans
Renderings
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Any Questions?
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**DISCUSSION POINTS:**

- This presentation is an overview of ongoing neighborhood engagement efforts
- It will review current:
  - Platform and Infrastructure
  - Connection Events
  - Tools
Neighborhoods Vision

- Connected Neighborhoods
- Promote Connection Avenues
- Equitable Access

Overview

- Platform and Infrastructure
- Connection Events
- Tools
Program and Infrastructure

Virtual Neighborhoods
- Platform developed for Adams County residents to connect with their community and county
- Link: https://www.adcogov.org/neighborhood-connections

Neighborhood Connections Guide
- Neighborhood Group guidelines and ideas
- Link: https://www.adcogov.org/sites/default/files/CM_RA_NeighborhoodToolkit_012621.pdf

Neighborhood Map
- Neighborhood designation
- Link: https://adcogov.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=4cc2d7104d824c1590c27da6914d7686
Connection Events

Drive-Thru Farmers Market and Resource Program
• Contactless resource events at the neighborhood level
• Providing food and community resources to residents in our community
• Link: https://youtu.be/2ErfQUedq1Q

Tool Shed Program
• Residents can utilize free tool loan program
• Start: Spring 2021
Tools

**Neighborhood Outreach Network Database**
- Generate relevant conversations

**Zencity**
- Identify trends and conversations

**Wayfinding Signs**
- Begin recognizing neighborhoods
Next Steps

Identifying Neighborhoods
- Promoting Neighborhood Groups
- Wayfinding sign collaboration

Growing and Fortifying Neighborhood Groups
- Develop three to five new neighborhood groups by December 2021
- Renew and fortify a minimum of two existing neighborhood groups by December 2021

Develop Tools
- Generate neighborhood database
- Refine filters on Zencity