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Adams County News & Information Commissioners Unanimously Approve District Plan

Adams County Commissioners on Tuesday, April 5, voted unanimously to approve the District Plan. The plan was also approved by the county's Planning Commission, Brighton City Council and Brighton's Planning Commission. The District Plan is a collaborative effort between the citizens, staff and stakeholders of the City of Brighton and Adams County.

The District Plan will investigate the feasibility of preserving farmland, make recommendations on the preservation of lands that remain valuable for food production, incorporate related uses to enhance the economic vitality of these small farms, attract visitors to Brighton, and determine appropriate uses for lands that are no longer viable for food production.

"This is a great example of collaboration between residents, staff members and elected offices in both the county and City of Brighton," said Commissioner Steve O'Dorisio. "As we look 15-20 years down the line, we know that preserving this agricultural land will also preserve the heritage of this community while offering opportunities for economic development aligned with the District Plan's objectives."

Almost two-thirds of the study area is within rural Adams County, with the remainder in Brighton. The District Plan area serves as a gateway between Denver and the northeastern plains, and provides excellent regional access by three highways (US 85, E-470, and I-76) and two major railroads, and is 15 minutes from Denver International Airport (DIA).

For more information on the District Plan visit http://www.districtplan.org.

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