

Councilman Garcia's Council District One Newsletter

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City Council Calls for Special Election on January 30, 2007

A Special Municipal Mail Ballot Election will be held on Tuesday, January 30, 2007. The purpose of the election is to vote on Referred Charter Amendment 1A asking whether the City Charter be amended to make the office of the Clerk and Recorder an elected position, and to eliminate the Election Commission.

This will be a mail ballot only election. All active voters (voters who voted in the November 2004 or any election since then) will receive a ballot in the mail. Ballots will be mailed no later than Friday, January 12, and will be available at the Election Commission main office on Tuesday, January 16, the same day ballot drop off starts. If you do not receive a ballot by mail, please call either my office or the Denver Election Commission at 720-913-8683. Please make note of the following important information and dates as it relates to the Special January 30 Election:

- ♦ Ballots must be received by the Denver Election Commission by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day in order for your votes to be counted. Postmarks do not count as received.
- ♦ You may return your voted ballot by mail or you may hand deliver your ballot to a designated drop off site. If you choose to return your ballot via mail, you must affix 63 cents postage.

2006 Blizzards

The 2006 blizzard brought with it many unexpected and overwhelming circumstances. Clearly, there was anticipation of the storm, but the level of snow received hardly allowed for full preparation.

Many thanks to the Public Works Division whose many employees were out plowing Denver's streets, working overtime to ensure that many citizens were provided mobility during the two storms that hit Denver.

Denver's citizens should also be recognized for their patience during such challenging weather conditions. We realize for many this was difficult. With the resources available to us, we

Ballot Drop Off Locations/Dates/Times:

January 15-19, 2007, 8:00 am – 5:00pm

January 22–26, 2007, 8:00 am–7:00 pm

January 29, 2007, 8:00 am–7:00 pm

January 30, 2007, 7:00 am–7:00 pm

- ♦ **Denver Election Commission**
Main Office, 303 W. Colfax Ave.,
Dept. 101

Drive-Thru Ballot Drop-Off

January 30, 2007, 7:00 am–7:00 pm

On Court Place off of Colfax Avenue

Other Locations in District 1 &

Downtown:

January 22–26, 2007, 10:00 am–7:00 pm

January 29, 2007, 10:00 am–7:00 pm

January 30, 2007 7:00 am–7:00 pm

- ♦ **Scheitler Recreation Center**
5031 W. 46th Ave. (@ Sheridan)
- ♦ **Tattered Cover Bookstore**
(LODO) - 1628 16th St.
- ♦ **Wellington Webb Building**
201 W. Colfax Ave.

For more information on the Special Election, please visit my website at www.denvergov.org/rickgarcia, or call my office. We are happy to assist you so that your vote is counted on January 30th.

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Frequently Used Numbers

- ♦ Rick Garcia, Councilman District 1
303-458-4792
- ♦ Carol Boigon
Council At-Large
720-865-8100
- ♦ Doug Linkhart
Council At-Large
720-865-8000
- ♦ District 1 Police Station
720-913-0400
- ♦ Police Non-Emergency
720-913-2000
- ♦ Non-Emergency & Info
3-1-1
- ♦ Parking Management
720-913-1720
- ♦ Graffiti Hotline
720-865-7867
- ♦ Neighborhood Inspection Services
720-865-3200
- ♦ Denver Recycles
720-865-6815

(Clip out and save)

Treecycle Your Tree After The Holidays

Denver Recycle's annual Treecycle will turn thousands of Christmas trees into mulch again this holiday season. More than 20,000 trees were ground into mulch and reclaimed by Denver residents at last spring's "Treecycle Mulch Giveaway and Leaf-drop Compost Sale."

Denver Recycles, a program of Solid Waste Management, will be collecting Christmas trees for recycling starting Tuesday, January 02, 2007. Please remove all decorations, tinsel, nails, stands and bags from your tree and set the tree out for collection depending on the type trash collection service you have:



- ♦ Trash can and barrel customers please set your tree at least 4 feet away from your trash container by 7AM on your scheduled trash day during either the week of January 2nd or the week of January 8th.
- ♦ Dumpster customers please set your tree out by 7AM, on either Tuesday, January 2nd or Monday, January 8th. Place the tree just behind your property on the edge of the alley and NOT up against the dumpster. **DO NOT place trees in the dumpsters.**

Call 3-1-1 if your tree has not been picked up by 3 PM on January 11th.

Residents may call Denver Recycles at 720-865-6810 after April 1, 2007 for more information on when the "2007 Treecycle Mulch Giveaway and Leaf-drop Compost Sale" will be held.

Happy New Year



New Year Brings Expanded Hours for Denver Public Library

Thanks to City Council approving an expanded Denver Public Library 2007 General Fund Budget some branch library locations have been able to increase their hours of public service, increase some staff hours and increase technology and capital improvement budgets.

- ♦ Woodbury Branch Library will now be open Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ♦ Denver Central Library will now be open on Mondays and Tuesdays at 10 a.m.



Visit the Denver Public Library online at www.denverlibrary.org or call 720-865-1111 for a complete schedule of library hours and locations, including 2007 closure information and the Bookmobile schedule.

Colfax Main Street Rezoning Comes to City Council

Community Planning and Development has announced the timeline for the Colfax Main Street Legislative Rezoning which will be coming to City Council.

The dates that have been set are:

- ♦ January 10, 2007 Resolution at Blueprint Denver Committee
- ♦ January 22, 2007 Resolution at City Council
- ♦ February 7, 2007 West Colfax Public Open House 7-9P Location TBD
- ♦ February 17, 2007 West Colfax Public Open House 8 am-noon Location TBD
- ♦ April 4, 2007 Planning Board Presentation
- ♦ April 11, 2007 Blueprint Denver Committee
- ♦ April 23, 2007 City Council, First Reading,
- ♦ May 21, 2007 City Council, Public Hearing, City & County Bldg, Council Chambers, 4th floor

Neighborhood Meetings

- ♦ Tuesday, January 2, 6:30 p.m.
Jefferson Park United Neighbors @ Riverside Baptist Church
- ♦ Tuesday, January 2, 7:00 p.m.
West Highland Neighborhood Association @ Highlands Lutheran Church, 3995 Irving
- ♦ Thursday, January 04, 7:00 p.m.
SLOANS Neighborhood Meeting @ 1750 Meade Street
- ♦ Monday, January 08, 6:00 p.m.
CAG meeting District #1, David Quinones, District #1 Police Station, 1311 West 46th Avenue
- ♦ Tuesday, January 09, 7:00 p.m.
BRUN Monthly Meeting @ Regis University, Loyola Hall, Rm. 27 3333 Regis Blvd.
- ♦ Wednesday, January 10, 7:00 p.m.
Sloan's Lake Citizen's Group @ Merritt Memorial United Methodist Church, 23rd and Irving
- ♦ Wednesday, January 10, 7:00 p.m.
Sunnyside United Neighbors @ Smedley Elementary School, 4250 Shoshone St.

Upcoming Events

- ♦ Wednesday, January 10, 7:00 p.m.
DPS Northwest Denver Public School Meeting @ Highlands Masonic Temple, 3550 Federal Blvd
 - ♦ Thursday, January 11, 5:30 p.m. *
RTD GoldLine Issue Focused Team Orientation Meeting @ Wheat Ridge Rec Center, 4005 Kipling
 - ♦ Wednesday, January 24, 5:30 p.m. *
RTD GoldLine Issue Focused Team 38th Avenue - East of Federal @ Highlands Masonic Temple, 3550 Federal Blvd.
 - ♦ Thursday, January 25, 5:30 p.m. *
GoldLine Issue Focused Team 38th Avenue - West of Federal @ Berkeley Community Church, 3701 W. 50th Avenue
 - ♦ Monday, January 29, 5:30 p.m. *
GoldLine Issue Focused Team re: Harlan/Sheridan @ Wheat Ridge Senior Center, 6363 W. 35th Avenue
 - ♦ Monday, February 05, 6:00 p.m. *
GoldLine EIS Evaluation Public Meeting @ Highlands Masonic Temple, 3550 Federal Blvd
 - ♦ Wednesday, February 07, 6:00 p.m. *
GoldLine Detailed Evaluation Public Workshop for Arvada @ Arvada Center, 6901 Wadsworth Avenue
- * All meetings are open to the public. You are encouraged to attend.