



TOWN COUNCIL STUDY SESSION AGENDA
January 27, 2025
4:00 PM

I. Study Session Items

1. Legislative Briefing with Lobbyist - William Mutch/Hogan - 1 hour
2. Civic Academy Update - Sullivan - 30 minutes
3. Community Development Update - Fussa/Matthews/Sale - 45 minutes

II. Staff Updates

III. Town Council Updates/Items



MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers
FROM: Emily Hogan, Assistant Town Manager
DATE: January 27, 2025
SUBJECT: Legislative Briefing with Lobbyist

ISSUE:

Staff is presenting a legislative briefing for Council on the 2025 legislative session of the Colorado General Assembly.

FISCAL/BUDGET IMPACT:

None.

BACKGROUND:

The Town has established a framework for legislative advocacy and takes positions on major policy issues under consideration at the federal, state and local levels that may impact the Town and its residents and businesses. The Town supports legislation that is consistent and furthers advancement of the priorities and objectives found in the Strategic Plan. Conversely, the Town opposes legislation that inhibits achievements of the Strategic Plan and its objectives. These positions are captured in the Town's Legislative Policy Agenda, which is adopted annually.

Advocacy positions to be taken by the Town include:

- **Support** – The Town supports the proposed bill as written. The bill directly relates to Town priorities and/or is considered crucial to Town operations.
- **Oppose** – The Town opposes the proposed bill as written. The bill direct conflicts with Town priorities, forces an unfunded mandate on the Town, interferes with local control and/or conflicts with crucial Town operations.
- **Amend** – The Town deems the bill to directly relate to Town priorities or be considered crucial to Town operations. However, the Town would like to see the bill amended before taking a support or oppose position. The Town will take advocate to amend the bill prior to passage.
- **Monitor** – The Town deems the bill of interest but no position is to be taken at this time. Staff will track progress of the bill and report back to the Council. The Council may take a support or oppose position on the bill at a later time based on changes to the legislation.
- **None** – The Town does not take a position on the legislation. The Town may take a support or oppose position of the bill at a later time.

The Council serves as the Town's legislative review body and is apprised of bills throughout the session and receives regular updates throughout the legislative session from staff and the Town's

lobbyist. The lobbyist (Mutch Government Relations) is contracted to provide legislative advocacy services to the Town. In addition to maintaining a daily presence at the State Capitol when in session, the lobbyist acts as a policy advisor, strategic consultant, coalition organizer and legislative advocate on behalf of the Town.

The lobbyist's bill tracker can be found at

<https://statebillinfo.com/SBI/index.cfm?fuseaction=Public.Dossier&id=35433&pk=253&style=pinstripe>.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff requests a consensus of the Town Council to identify any bills to track or take a position on.

REQUESTED DIRECTION:

Staff requests a consensus of the Town Council to identify any bills to track or take a position on.

ATTACHMENT:

None



MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers
FROM: Cheri Sullivan, Community Relations Liaison
DATE: January 27, 2025
SUBJECT: Civic Academy Update

ISSUE:

Staff is providing an update on the reconceptualization of Civic Academy and the 2025 implementation plan.

FISCAL/BUDGET IMPACT:

None. All items in the update utilize the existing budget.

BACKGROUND:

Parker's Civic Academy aims to inform, engage, and inspire residents to be active in Parker's local government.

Program objectives include:

- Educating/informing regarding Parker's government
- Educating/informing regarding services offered by the Town
- Providing networking opportunities with Town officials
- Providing opportunities for civic engagement

RECOMMENDATION:

No direction is needed at this time.

REQUESTED DIRECTION:

No action is needed at this time.

ATTACHMENT:

None



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Town Council

FROM: John Fussa, Community Development Director
Randy Sale, Assistant Director - Building
Bryce Matthews, Assistant Director - Planning

DATE: January 27, 2025

SUBJECT: Community Development Update

ISSUE:

The Community Development Department will provide a general update to the Town Council.

FISCAL/BUDGET IMPACT:

N/A

BACKGROUND:

Staff provides the Town Council with an update about department activities several times per year. This will be the first Community Development Department update to the Town Council for 2025. Staff will summarize 2024 activities and provide an overview of 2025 activities, projects and priorities. Please see the new [Town Manager Report for Winter 2025](#) for a summary of recent Department activities at pp. 2-3 and p. 6.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information and discussion only.

REQUESTED DIRECTION:

For information and discussion only.

ATTACHMENT:

None