



CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
Zoom Webinar and/or Clearview Library
5 S. Timber Ridge Parkway, Severance, CO 80550

AGENDA
CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, September 4, 2024, at 6:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. 8.07.24 Minutes

B. REGULAR MEETING

1. **Council Member Petition: Community Gathering Place**
 - Discussion
 - Staff Presentation: Dan Meyers, Council Member
2. **Council Member Petition: Council Chambers Safety Enhancements**
 - Discussion
 - Staff Presentation: Dan Meyers, Council Member
3. **Council Member Petition: Community Park Shade Shelters**
 - Discussion
 - Staff Presentation: Tad Borrett, Council Member
4. **Council Member Petition: Drone Discussion**
 - Discussion
 - Staff Presentation: Brittany Vandermark

C. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission approval may be sought for administrative actions in association with staff reports.

1. Town Staff
2. Board Members

D. ADJOURN

Citizen Advisory Board MEETING
Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 6:00 PM (MDT)

Registration URL

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MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 6:00 PM

Present:

Chair:

Josh Green

Vice-Chair:

Colin McManus

Board Members:

Karen Hessler

Felicia Jarrett

Marissa Riopelle

Jospehine Metoyer-Alt

Absent: Dale Garland & Richard Vandenberg

Audience: David Bruen, Stephen Gagliardi, Brittany Vandermark, Dan Meyers

Staff:

Nicholas Wharton, Town Manager

Leah Vanarsdall, Town Clerk

Tad Borrett, Town Council Liaison

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. 6.05.24 Minutes

MOTION WAS MADE BY CAB Member Hessler, seconded by CAB Member Metoyer to approve the 6.05.24 Minutes. All Board Members present voting Yes,

MOTION PASSED

B. REGULAR MEETING

1. Slate Communications Presentation

- Legislative
- Staff Presentation: Nicholas Wharton, Town Manager
Kristen Knoll of Slate Communications presents the proposed Sales Tax measure for the November Ballot.

2. Council Member Petition: Proposed Letter to Governor

- Discussion
- Staff Presentation: Nicholas Wharton, Town Manager
Council Member Gagliardi Presents
Consensus of the Board to recommend sending a letter & gathering other Town Mayoral support

3. Council Member Petition: Short-Term Rental

- Discussion
- Staff Presentation: Nicholas Wharton, Town Manager
Mayor Pro-tem Vandermark Presents
CAB recommended for Vandermark to take Short-term Rentals to Town Council in a Work Session

4. Council Member Petition: Safe Passageways and Enclaves

- Discussion
- Staff Presentation: Nicholas Wharton, Town Manager
Council Member Bruen Presents
CAB recommends to bring to Council as a Work Session topic

5. Council Meeting Petition: Future Town Gathering Location(s)

- Discussion
- Staff Presentation: Nicholas Wharton, Town Manager
Council Member Meyers Presents
CAB to present 3 must have and 3 nice to have points for a future recreation type center to be discussed at the September 4th meeting for Council to discuss at the Council Retreat on October 10th. CAB to think about locations as well.

C. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission approval may be sought for administrative actions in association with staff reports.

1. Town Staff
None
2. Board Members
None

D. ADJOURN

MOTION WAS MADE BY CAB Member Metoyer, seconded by CAB Member McManus to to ADJOURN. All Borad Members present voting Yes, _

MOTION PASSED

8:17 pm

TOWN OF SEVERANCE

Josh Green, Chair

ATTEST:

Leah Vanarsdall, MMC, Town Clerk



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

AGENDA ITEM	SUBMITTED BY	PRESENTED BY
Council Member Petition: Community Gathering Place	Dan Meyers, Council Member	Council Member Meyers
ACTION REQUESTED		
Management asks that the Citizen Advisory Board review and discuss the proposed information on a Community Gathering Place in the Town of Severance and provide any comments or suggestions to Council Member Meyers they deem necessary.		<u>Discussion</u>
BRIEF SUMMARY		
This proposed agenda item was a council member petition by Council Member Meyers.		
PUBLIC SUPPORT/CONCERN		
None at this time.		
ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION		
Management asks that the Citizen Advisory Board review and discuss the proposed information on a Community Gathering Place in the Town of Severance and provide any comments or suggestions to Council Member Meyers they deem necessary.		
MATERIALS SUBMITTED		
The following materials were submitted and included in this packet: 1. CGP		

Proposal for Establishment of a Community Gathering Place (CGP)

Citizens Advisory Committee –
Wednesday, September 4, 2024



Following discussions with Mayor and Administration, it was suggested that we continue background discussion of a Recreation Center (possible collaboration with Windsor Recreation).

We believe our present need is for a facility where community groups would be able to gather in a safe, indoor facility within Severance.

Proposal





Community Gathering Place (CGP)

Need: Limited availability of present meeting/gathering places.

Groups that may be interested in using our CGP:

Scouting groups, Churches, Civic Organization (VFW, etc.), Networking for Business purposes, etc, etc.

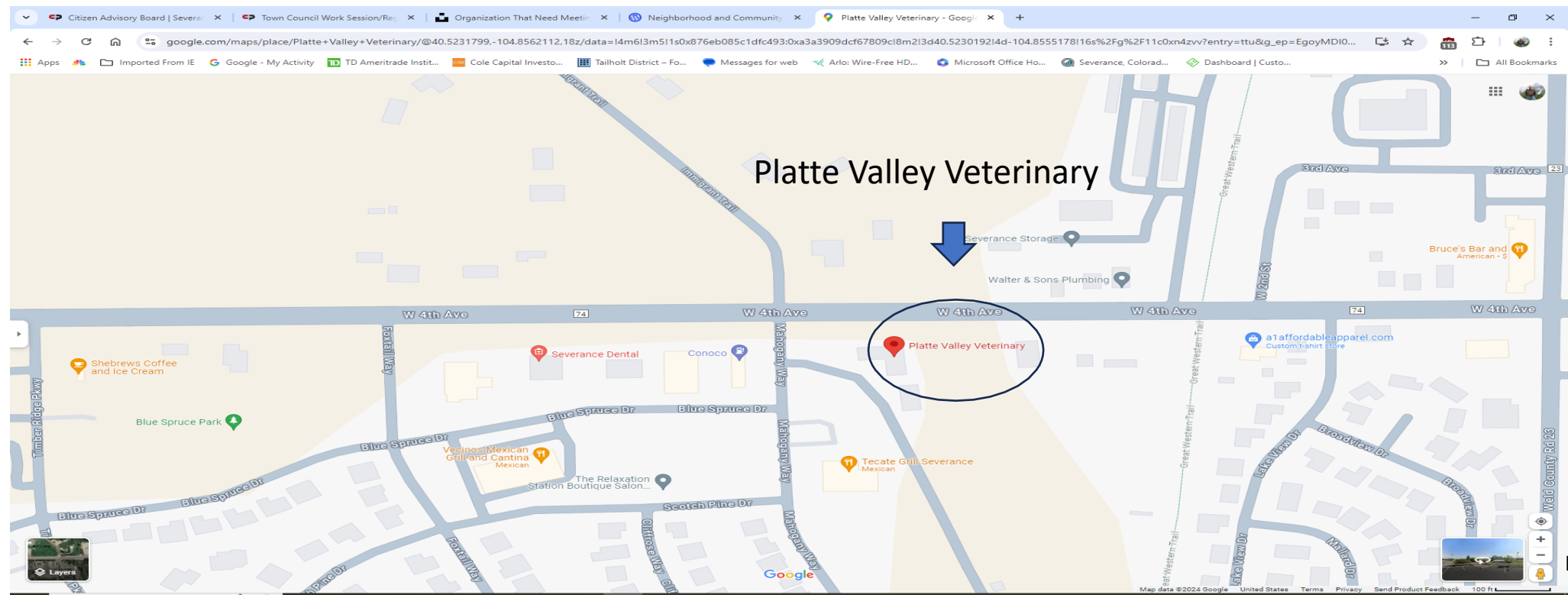
Possible location #1 of Community Gathering Place (CGP)

Platte Valley Veterinary building – many variables will have to be worked out to acquire and renovate this space into a CGP. Additional research as to renovations (removal of walls for larger rooms, restroom logistics, kitchen availability, handicap access, etc.)

Question: Cost of Renovation?

Advantage:

1. Limited town staffing of operation – reservation/electronic locks.
2. Cost could be reasonable depending on future discussions/negotiations.



Platte Valley Veterinary building



Possible location #2 of Community Gathering Place (CGP)

Previous Town Hall/Severance Community Church – This would be a “historic” building of considerable age and would require some renovations (possibly significant renovations). Limited space.

Question: Cost of renovations – must be evaluated before determination of costs.

Advantage: Town owned property, shaded property for outside use, conservation of “historic” building.

Disadvantage: Cost, Size of building.



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Town Council Work Session/Re

Organization That Need Meetin

Neighborhood and Community

churches in severance colorado

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Walter & Sons Plumbing

Severance Dental

Vecinos Mexican Grill and Cantina

Tecate Grill Severance

Platte Valley Veterinary

Trust Auto and Diesel

Mountain View Cleaning

Savannah Photography

Naturally Beautiful Salon

Hidden Lake Dr

Severance Auto

Bruce's Bar and American

a1affordableapparel.com

Shebrews Coffee and Ice Cream

Blue Spruce Dr

Foxtrail Way

Central Ave

Broadview Dr

Mellard Dr

Vivian St

Charles Ave

Ruth Ave

East 4th Ave

W 4th Ave

W 2nd Ave

1st Ave

Immigrant Trail

Great Western Trail

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Previous Town Hall/Severance Community Church

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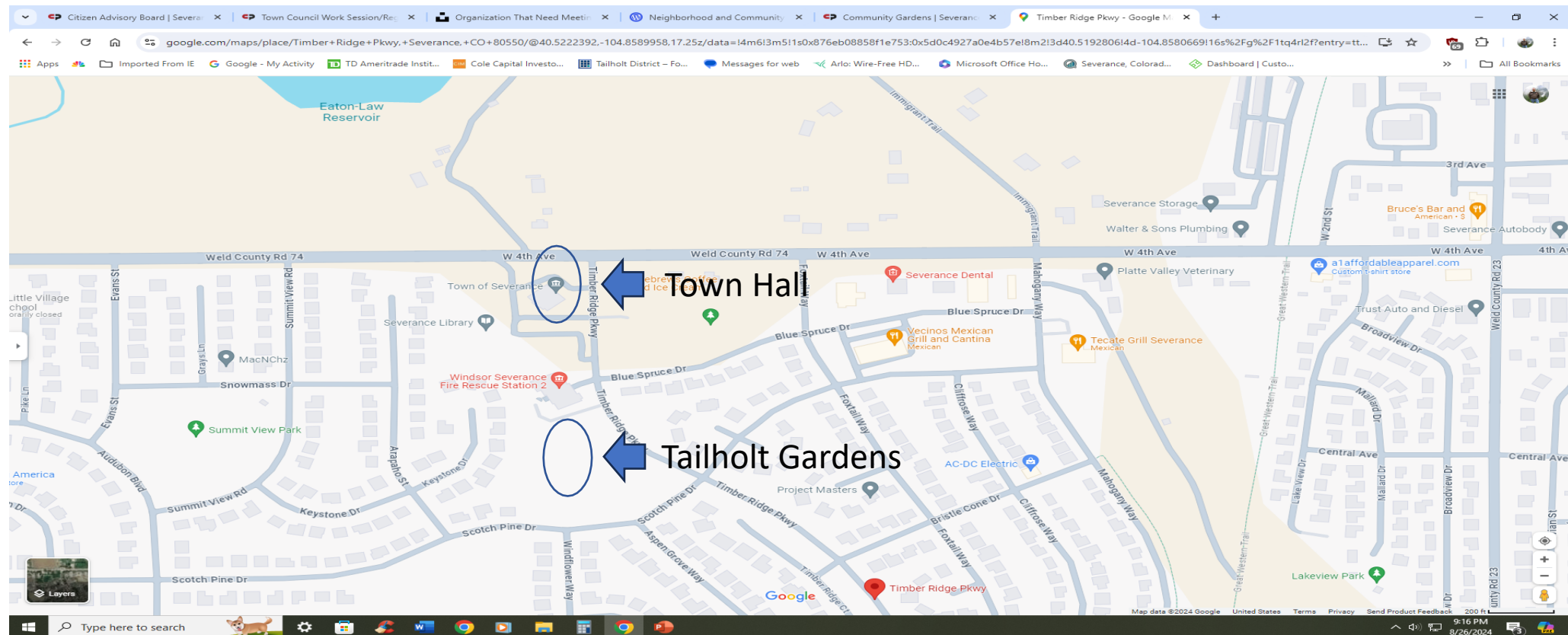
Possible location #3 of Community Gathering Place (CGP)

Area around Tailholt Gardens – This would be a newly constructed building. With projected space equal to our Clearview (Severance) Library.

Question: New Construction – Cost in the range of \$5 million.

Advantage: Plan building construction to fit needs. Town owned property.

Disadvantage: Cost.



1. Open Questions:

- a. Location of center.
- b. Type of Building – existing property or new construction.
- c. Size of Building – sq ft?
- d. Cost of building and funding sources?
- e. Timing?

Thank You – Any Additional Questions??



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

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Council Member Petition: Council Chambers Safety Enhancements	Dan Meyers, Council Member	Council Member Meyers
ACTION REQUESTED		
Management asks that the Citizen Advisory Board review and discuss the proposed information on Council Chambers Safety Enhancements and provide any comments or suggestions to Council Member Meyers they deem necessary.		<u>Discussion Presentation</u>
BRIEF SUMMARY		
This proposed agenda item was a council member petition by Council Member Meyers.		
PUBLIC SUPPORT/CONCERN		
None at this time.		
ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION		
Management asks that the Citizen Advisory Board review and discuss the proposed information on Council Chambers Safety Enhancements and provide any comments or suggestions to Council Member Meyers they deem necessary.		
MATERIALS SUBMITTED		
The following materials were submitted and included in this packet: 1. Council Chambers Safety Enhancements		

Proposal to enhance safety of all in-person participants within Council Chambers.

Citizens Advisory Committee –
Wednesday, September 4, 2024

**TOWN OF SEVERANCE
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-12**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SEVERANCE,
COLORADO, AMENDING ARTICLE 10, "WEAPONS," OF CHAPTER 10,
"OFFENSES," OF THE SEVERANCE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO
FIREARMS ON TOWN PROPERTY AND DETERMINING AN EMERGENCY WITH
RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 6.04 of the Town of Severance Home Rule Charter ("Charter"), the Town Council may adopt an emergency ordinance if necessary for the immediate preservation of public property, health, welfare, peace, or safety; and

WHEREAS, in the most recent legislative session, the Colorado General Assembly enacted, and Governor Polis has signed, Senate Bill 24-131 ("SB24-131"), which prohibits carrying a firearm in "sensitive spaces" recognized by the United States Supreme Court in the *N.Y. State Rifle & Pistol Ass'n v. Bruen* case, 597 U.S. 1 (2022), which bill takes effect on July 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the sensitive spaces addressed in SB24-131, where the open and concealed carrying of a firearm will be prohibited as of July 1, 2024, include certain state and local government buildings and property; courthouses or buildings used for court proceedings; schools, colleges, universities, seminaries, and licensed childcare centers; and polling places, ballot drop boxes, and other places where ballot counting and related election activities are taking place; and

WHEREAS, SB24-131 includes an "opt-out" provision authorizing a local government to enact an ordinance, regulation, or other law that permits a person to carry a firearm at certain local government spaces specified in the bill; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes and affirms that the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution protects the right of persons to keep and bear arms, and the Supreme Court of the United States has held that states and local governments may, consistent with the Second Amendment, regulate the carrying firearms in sensitive places; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds and determines that permitting Town officials and Town employees who hold a valid concealed carry permit issued pursuant to Colorado law, to carry a concealed handgun at Town Hall and on Town Hall property is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety as follows:

- (a) *Self-Defense*: Allowing Town officials and employees with a valid concealed carry permit to carry a concealed handgun at Town Hall is essential to self-defense, enabling Town officials and employees to protect themselves in case of an immediate danger to life and safety;
- (b) *Deterrence*: Allowing Town officials and employees with a valid concealed carry permit to carry a concealed handgun at Town Hall may act as a deterrent against

potential attackers and individuals with malicious intent and could dissuade individuals from attempting violent acts against citizens and officials at Town Hall;

- (c) *Permit Holder Training*: Town officials and employees who hold a valid permit to carry a concealed handgun under part 2 of article 12 of Title 18, C.R.S., have undergone stringent background checks and have completed required training on the responsible, defensive carrying of a handgun;
- (d) *Equality and Uniformity*: Town employees and officials should have the same right to protect themselves at their place of employment and governance as they have in their homes and as other citizens may have in private places of employment;
- (e) *Emergency Preparedness in Rural and Remote Areas*: The Town Hall is located in a rural area where substantial law enforcement resources and presence is limited, and allowing Town officials and employees who hold a valid concealed carry permit to carry a concealed handgun at Town Hall can provide an additional layer of security and emergency preparedness for employees, officials, and visitors, particularly where emergency response times may be prolonged in comparison to urban settings; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds and determines that the continuing and uninterrupted ability for Town officials and employees who hold a valid concealed carry permit to carry a concealed handgun at Town Hall, with certain exceptions, after SB24-131 goes into effect on July 1, 2024, is necessary for the immediate preservation of public health, welfare, peace, and safety; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the above-recited compelling interests, the Town Council desires to enact this ordinance, as authorized by SB24-131, on an emergency basis to ensure that Town officials and employees with a valid concealed carry permit may continue, without interruption, to lawfully carry a concealed handgun at Town Hall on and after July 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is enacted pursuant to the Town of Severance's home rule authority under Article XX, § 6 of the Constitution of the State of Colorado, pursuant to the Town of Severance's police powers, and pursuant to Section 6.04 of the Town's Charter in order to safeguard and preserve the public health, safety, and welfare of the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF SEVERANCE, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:¹**

Section 1. Section 10-10-40, titled "Unlawfully carrying a concealed weapon; unlawful possession of weapons," of Article 10, "Weapons," of Chapter 10, "Offenses," of the Severance Municipal Code is hereby amended and re-titled to read as follows:

¹ Additions to existing Code provisions are shown by underlining; deletions from existing Code provisions are shown by ~~striking through~~.

Sec. 10-10-40. Unlawfully carrying a concealed weapon; unlawful possession of weapons; exceptions.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to carry a concealed weapon or possess weapons. A person commits the crime of unlawfully carrying a concealed weapon or possessing a weapon, when a person knowingly:

- (1) Carries a knife concealed on or about his or her person;
- (2) Carries a firearm concealed on or about his or her person;
- (3) Without legal authority, carries, brings, or has in such person's possession, a firearm, whether loaded or not loaded, or any explosive, incendiary, or other dangerous device, in any of the following locations, including their adjacent parking areas: (i) on the property of or within any building in which the chambers or offices of the Town Council are located, or (ii) in which a Town Council hearing or meeting is being or is to be conducted, or (iii) in which the official office of any Town Council member, officer, or employee of the Town is located; or
- (4) Carries, brings, or has in such person's possession, a firearm, whether loaded or not loaded, in a building or portion of a building, including adjacent parking areas, used for municipal court proceedings (i) while municipal court is in session, or (ii) while any law enforcement personnel, defense counsel personnel, or municipal court personnel are engaged in any activities in connection with a municipal court proceeding whether or not the court is in session.

(b) It shall not be an offense pursuant to this section if the defendant was:

- (1) A person in his or her own dwelling or place of business or on property owned or under his or her control at the time of the act of carrying;
- (2) A person in a private automobile or other private means of conveyance who carries a weapon for lawful protection of such person or another person or property while traveling;
- (3) A person who, at the time of carrying a concealed handgun, held a valid permit to carry a concealed handgun or a temporary emergency permit issued pursuant to state law, except that it shall be an offense under this section if the person was carrying a concealed handgun in violation of the provisions of C.R.S. § 18-12-214, as amended, or in violation of paragraph (a)(4) of this section;
- (4) A person who holds a valid permit to carry a concealed handgun or a temporary emergency permit issued pursuant to state law who is carrying

a concealed handgun in the adjacent parking area of a location listed in paragraph (a)(3) of this section of the Code, except that it shall be an offense under this section if the person was carrying a concealed handgun in such parking area in violation of paragraph (a)(4) of this section; or

- (5) A member of Town Council or an officer or employee of the Town who holds a valid permit to carry a concealed handgun or a temporary emergency permit issued pursuant to state law who is carrying a concealed handgun in a location listed in paragraph (a)(3) of this section, except that it shall be an offense under this section if such person was carrying a concealed handgun in violation of the provisions of paragraph (a)(4) of this section.

(c) This section does not apply to:

- (1) A peace officer carrying a firearm pursuant to the authority granted in C.R.S. § 16-2.5-101 (2);
- (2) A member of the United States Armed Forces or Colorado National Guard when engaged in the lawful discharge of the member's official duties;
- (3) Security personnel employed or retained by the Town while engaged in the security personnel's official duties;
- (4) Law enforcement personnel, defense counsel personnel, and municipal court personnel carrying or possessing a firearm in the performance of their official duties as part of the lawful and common practices of a legal proceeding; and
- (5) A person who holds a valid permit to carry a concealed handgun or a temporary emergency permit issued pursuant to state law who is carrying a concealed handgun in the adjacent parking area of a location listed in paragraph (a)(3) of this section, except that it shall be an offense under this section if the person was carrying a concealed handgun in such parking area in violation of the provisions of paragraph (a)(4) of this section.

Section 2. If any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Town Council hereby declares it would have passed this ordinance and each part or parts hereof irrespective of the fact that any one part or parts be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 3. All other ordinances or portions thereof inconsistent or conflicting with this ordinance or any portion hereof are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict.

Section 4. This ordinance is deemed necessary for the immediate protection of the health, welfare and safety of the community.

Section 5. In accordance with Section 6.04 of the Town of Severance Home Rule Charter, the Town Council finds this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of public health, welfare, peace, and safety, and upon the affirmative vote of a majority of Town Council members present, it shall be adopted as an emergency ordinance and shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Section 6. In accordance with Section 6.04 of the Town of Severance Home Rule Charter, the Town Clerk is directed to publish this emergency ordinance in full following adoption.

Section 7. Violations of this ordinance shall be punishable in accordance with Section 1-4-20 of the Severance Municipal Code.

INTRODUCED, READ, ADOPTED, APPROVED, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED IN FULL this 25th day of June, 2024.

TOWN OF SEVERANCE, COLORADO

Matthew Fries, Mayor

ATTEST:

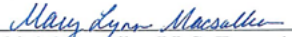


Leah Vanarsdall, MMC, Town Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DocuSigned by:



Hayashi & Macsalka, LLC, Town Attorney

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Purpose of Petition: Secure Council chambers to enhance safety of all participants.

Summary of Ordinance: As a response to presence of firearms in sensitive areas, state legislatures have allowed Mayor/Council as well as Administration and Staff to pass a variance that would allow conceal carry weapons for personal protection within the Council chambers.

This variance (now an Ordinance 2024-12) -does not allow residents or other attendees doing business before Council to possess any type of firearms.

I propose a list of actions that may be beneficial in protection of all (including non weapon carrying Council members, Administrators and Staff, as well as attendees and persons presenting before the Council.

Suggested modifications and procedures for enhanced safety within the Severance Council Chambers:

1. Encourage tactical weapons training for all members of Council, Admin and Staff regularly associated with Council Proceedings.
2. Police presence in Council Chambers at all times during meetings.
3. Locked Doors during Executive Sessions.
4. Panic buttons @ dais – connected to county dispatch.
5. Mylar/bullet proof material as part of dais.
6. Bullet proof glass at Council Chamber entrance with lockable (open for egress) doors.
7. Signage – No weapons permitted beyond this point.
8. Metal Detection – Stall or wand.

Alternative protective equipment



Preventing weapons in council chambers is essential for several reasons:

- 1.Safety:** The primary goal is to ensure the safety of council members, staff, and the public. Weapons increase the risk of violence, accidental injury, or intimidation.
- 2.Maintaining Order:** Weapons can escalate conflicts and disrupt meetings. By prohibiting them, the focus remains on productive discussions and decision-making.
- 3.Preventing Threats:** Ensuring no weapons are allowed helps deter potential threats from individuals who might use violence to influence or disrupt council proceedings.
- 4.Protecting Public Access:** Council chambers often have open or public sessions. Ensuring weapons are banned helps protect attendees and maintains a secure environment for everyone.
- 5.Legal and Ethical Standards:** Many jurisdictions have legal or ethical standards that prohibit weapons in government buildings. Adhering to these guidelines helps ensure compliance with laws and regulations.
- 6.Preventing Intimidation:** The presence of weapons can intimidate participants, hinder open discussion, and affect the democratic process. Banning weapons helps create a more balanced and respectful atmosphere.
- 7.Enhancing Focus:** Without the distraction and potential fear associated with weapons, participants can concentrate on the tasks at hand, leading to more effective and meaningful discussions.
- 8.Avoiding Accidents:** Even with strict controls, accidents involving weapons can occur. By preventing weapons, the risk of such accidents is minimized.
- 9.Creating a Safe Environment:** A weapon-free policy contributes to a safer, more professional environment where all participants can engage in council activities without fear.

Overall, banning weapons in council chambers helps ensure that discussions and decisions are made in a secure and conducive environment, supporting the integrity and effectiveness of the governance process.

Ensuring security in council chambers is crucial for maintaining order and protecting everyone involved. Here are some key measures typically implemented:

- 1.Access Control:** Restrict entry to authorized personnel only. This often includes using ID badges, access cards, or biometric systems.
- 2.Surveillance:** Install security cameras both inside and outside the chamber to monitor activity and deter potential threats.
- 3.Screening Procedures:** Implement security checks for visitors, such as metal detectors or bag searches, to prevent prohibited items from being brought in.
- 4.Emergency Protocols:** Develop and regularly update emergency procedures for various scenarios, including evacuations and lockdowns. Ensure all staff are trained on these protocols.
- 5.On-site Security Personnel:** Employ security officers to monitor the chamber and respond to incidents. Their presence can help prevent disturbances and manage conflicts.
- 6.Communication Systems:** Maintain reliable communication channels for rapid coordination between security personnel and emergency responders.
- 7.Cybersecurity:** Protect digital systems and communications related to the council's operations from hacking and other cyber threats.
- 8.Training and Drills:** Regularly train council members and staff on security protocols and conduct drills to ensure preparedness.
- 9.Visitor Management:** Implement a system to track and manage visitor appointments and movements within the chamber.
- 10.Conflict Resolution:** Equip council members and staff with conflict resolution skills to handle disputes calmly and professionally.

Thank You for your Attention!!

Questions/Comments???



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

AGENDA ITEM	SUBMITTED BY	PRESENTED BY
Council Member Petition: Community Park Shade Shelters	Tad Borrett, Council Member	Council Member Borrett
ACTION REQUESTED		
Management asks that the Citizen Advisory Board discuss the proposal for additional shade shelters in the Community and provide any comments or suggestions to Council Member Borrett that they deem necessary.		<u>Discussion Presentation</u>
BRIEF SUMMARY		
This proposed agenda item was a council member petition by Council Member Borrett.		
PUBLIC SUPPORT/CONCERN		
None at this time.		
ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION		
Management asks that the Citizen Advisory Board discuss the proposal for additional shade shelters in the Community and provide any comments or suggestions to Council Member Borrett that they deem necessary.		
MATERIALS SUBMITTED		
The following materials were submitted and included in this packet: None		



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Council Member Petition: Drone Discussion	Brittany Vandermark	Council Member Vandermark
ACTION REQUESTED		
Management asks that the Citizen Advisory Board review and discuss the material presented on drones and provide any comments or suggestions to Council Member Vandermark they deem necessary.		<u>Presentation Discussion</u>
BRIEF SUMMARY		
To fly a drone as a hobbyist in the state of Colorado (i.e. for fun / pleasure) you are required by the FAA to take The Recreational UAS Safety Test (TRUST). You are also required to follow the FAA's recreational model aircraft rules. One of those rules is that if your drone weighs more than 0.55 lbs (250g), you'll need to pay \$5 to get it registered. There are additional rules when it comes to airspace and altitude, keeping your drone within line-of-sight while you're flying, and more. <u>Local Drone Laws in Colorado</u> These drone laws apply only to certain regions, cities, or counties within Colorado, and were created by various authorities within the state. <u>Village of Cherry Hills – Municipal Law</u> This town ordinance requires that all drones be registered with the FAA and follow FAA guidelines. This ordinance also prohibits drones from flying over city property, including public streets, trails, parks, and public buildings. <u>Town of Telluride – Municipal Law</u> This town ordinance requires drone users to be approved by the town or private property owners before flying over private or city property. This ordinance also prohibits flying a drone in a way that endangers wildlife and people; in a reckless manner; or under the influence of alcohol, marijuana, or other controlled substances. <u>City of Denver – Municipal Law</u> This regulation from the Denver Department of Parks and Recreation bans flying objects, including drones, from operating in any Denver park facilities. However, drones may be flown in park facility areas designated by the DPR Executive Director for such flying objects, such as a designated model airplane or helicopter flying area, subject to compliance with rules and regulations that may be posted in or near the designated area. Exceptions can be made for drones flown at events or activities for which a permit has been issued or a contract with the City has been entered authorizing a drone in a particular location, so long as there is compliance with the terms, conditions, and restrictions of the permit or contract. <u>City of Boulder—Open Space and Mountain Parks (OSMP) Drone Policy</u> This city ordinance prohibits the operation of a drone within any OSMP park or managed property without a special permit. More information on obtaining a special permit can be found here.		

[City of Aurora—Parks, Recreation and Open Space Drone Policy // 2019](#)

This city ordinance prohibits the take-off or landing of a drone on any park property without authorization by the Director of Parks, Recreation and Open Space Department. from or on any City facility, park, or open space area without a permit, except in areas designated by the Director as “Unmanned Aircraft Flying Areas.”

[City of Lakewood—Municipal Law](#)

This city ordinance prohibits the take-off or landing of a drone.

PUBLIC SUPPORT/CONCERN

None at this time.

ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION

Management asks that the Citizen Advisory Board review and discuss the material presented on drones and provide any comments or suggestions to Council Member Vandermark they deem necessary.

MATERIALS SUBMITTED

The following materials were submitted and included in this packet:
None