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Recognizing the Lone Tree
Police Department



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Minutes with Mayor Harmon

Dear Residents and Businesses of Lone Tree,

I am pleased to present my first message to you as your newly elected Mayor of Lone Tree, Colorado. Since I took my oath of office this past May, these past few months of transition have been a time of learning, listening, and engaging with residents, businesses, and other stakeholders of the community to continue building upon the success of our vibrant City. In the coming months, I look forward to partnering with each of you, listening to your ideas and suggestions, and working collaboratively to ensure Lone Tree remains not just a place to live and work, but a place we proudly call home.

As we embark on this journey together, let us remember that the strength of our City lies in our unity as a community. Lone Tree thrives with abundant energy and fulfilling promise because of our unique sense of community – our collective spirit, our shared values and experiences, mutual support, and a sense of belonging. Whether it's friendly interactions at the local coffee shop or grocery store, to the collaborative efforts at neighborhood meetings, to the enthusiastic attendance at City events, these connections strengthen our community and foster a vibrant, welcoming, and united community spirit.

As our City continues to grow, let's remember that it takes a community to make a difference. Whether you're organizing a neighborhood block party, supporting a local business, attending a City event, participating at a City Council meeting, or volunteering to serve on a City of Lone Tree board or commission, each of us can contribute to the future of Lone Tree.

I am excited about the opportunities ahead for our City and confident that, with your support and participation, we will continue to make Lone Tree the best City in the region and state. Thank you for entrusting me with this privilege as your Mayor.

Together, as a community, let's write the next chapter of Lone Tree's story.

All the best,

Marissa Harmon

Mayor
City of Lone Tree

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Meet Your LONE TREE CITY COUNCIL



Left to right: Mayor Pro Tem Jay Carpenter, Councilmember Mike Anderson, Mayor Marissa Harmon, Councilmember Mike Parr, and Councilmember Alecia Brown

Mayor Marissa Harmon

At-large

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Mayor Harmon is Lone Tree's fourth mayor. She is an entrepreneur, small business owner and the first elected official to own a brick-and-mortar business in the city. Her decision to run for office originated from her deep desire to serve and maintain the quality of life for residents and businesses in the community. Prior to her election as mayor, Harmon served on the City Council, Planning Commission, Douglas County Youth Initiative, South Suburban Parks and Recreation subcommittee, Colorado Municipal League, and co-chairing the campaign for 2E.

Harmon, her husband Chris, and two daughters have been proud residents of Lone Tree for over a decade and enjoy hiking, biking, and running throughout the City.

FUN FACT

Marissa is not exactly a golf pro, but she's aiming to be. If you spot her on the green, just pretend you didn't see that swing. It was probably just her way of practicing how not to hit the ball.

Mayor Pro Tem and Councilmember Jay Carpenter

District 1

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Mayor Pro Tem and Councilmember Carpenter has lived in Lone Tree since 2000 with his wife Melissa. They have four children, all born at Sky Ridge Medical Center. Carpenter got involved with the City in 2010 on the Citizens' Recreation Committee and served on the City Council from 2016 to 2022. A business owner of a financial planning practice, Carpenter is excited about smart growth opportunities, positioning Lone Tree as a platinum community.

FUN FACT

Jay was quite the daredevil back in the day – skydiving, mountain biking and hiking like a human GPS. Now, his biggest thrill is wrangling four teenagers, which he swears is way scarier than any of his old escapades.

Councilmember Mike Parr

District 1

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Councilmember Parr is committed to ensuring fiscal responsibility, enhancing the quality and character of the City, and maintaining a safe, strong community. A Colorado native and active volunteer in Lone Tree for the past 23 years, Parr has served Lone Tree in various roles including two terms as Chair of the Lone Tree Recreation Advisory Committee, current membership in the Douglas County Open Space Committee, and active participation in the Lone Tree Elevated Steering Committee. Parr and his wife Sabrina are deeply passionate about Lone Tree and its offerings, having found it the perfect place to raise their two children, Emily and Nick. Professionally, Mike's career in the insurance industry has seen him undertake many roles, including his current role as the managing director for a national insurance brokerage.

FUN FACT

If Mike could instantly master any skill, he would choose the ability to fly. He figures it would be the ultimate freedom, plus he would avoid traffic, reach his destination in no time and see all the cool things you miss when you're stuck on the ground.

Councilmember Alecia Brown

District 2

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Councilmember Brown has served over a decade in local government understanding the critical importance of the role municipal government plays in public safety, economic development, fiscal responsibility and smart growth to maintain the quality of life of the community for generations to come. Brown's background in corporate Finance, board service, and long-tenured civic engagement have prepared her to serve the citizens of Lone Tree as a councilmember. Prior to the City Council, Brown served on the Lone Tree Planning Commission as chair and vice-chair. Brown and her husband, Mike have three children and three grandchildren, and are frequent visitors of the Lone Tree Arts Center.

FUN FACT

Alecia used to be a baton-twirling prodigy. She was so dedicated to her craft that if you ever needed someone to juggle flaming batons while riding a unicycle, she would be your go-to person. Today, she can still twirl a baton like it's second nature in case you want to challenge her to a duel.

Councilmember Mike Anderson

District 2

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Councilmember Anderson has served on the Lone Tree City Council in District 2 since 2018. Prior to his term on the City Council, Anderson served two terms on the South Suburban Park and Recreation District Board of Directors from 2010 to 2018. His professional experience includes over 30 years of engineering, project and technical management in refineries and chemical plants in the United States. Anderson and his wife, Cheryl have lived in Lone Tree for over 20 years, and have three children, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Anderson enjoys the great outdoors, golf, dog walking, and promoting wellness in the community. Anderson, an avid member of the Lone Tree Men's Golf Club, represents the City on the Centennial Airport Community Noise Roundtable, the Cherry Creek Basin Water Quality Authority Board of Directors, Douglas County Housing Partnership Board of Directors, South Suburban Parks and Recreation, Lone Tree Living and Aging Well Commission, and collaboration with the Park Meadows Metro District.

FUN FACT

Mike, with his eyes closed, proves that golf is not just a game – it's an advanced lesson in how to hit nothing but air. For him, golf is a thrilling challenge and a key part of his active lifestyle. He's not only up for the challenge himself; he's eagerly interested in seeing what kind of creative techniques Marissa might bring to the game.

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR CITY COUNCIL?

Watch full interviews with the Mayor and each City Councilmember on Lone Tree's YouTube channel - @CityofLoneTreeCO. Get up close and personal as they share what the community means to them, their favorite local spots, and other interesting facts you may not know.

CONNECT WITH COUNCIL FOSTERS COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND ENGAGEMENT

The first Connect with Council event at Belvedere Park on July 23 was a success. Residents had the opportunity to engage with members of the Lone Tree City Council and share insights and ideas. The event fostered meaningful dialogue to enhance community engagement for the future planning and enhancements of the City.



If you were unable to attend this event and wish to connect with the City Council, please refer to their contact information on pages 4 and 5 of this issue. ♦

CITY COUNCIL WELCOMES YOUTH MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER FOR THE DAY



In July, Judson Price and August Wong received a rare opportunity, not necessarily a once-in-a-life time chance, but certainly a milestone in their young lives by serving as Mayor and Councilmember for the day. Having been chosen through a silent auction their family won at their schools, Rocky Heights Middle School and Lone Tree Elementary, their mayor and councilmember duties for the day in Lone Tree was a busy one.



First, Mayor Price and Councilmember Wong met Mayor Harmon for an afternoon snack where they made introductions and learned about local government and the roles of the Mayor and City Council. From there, they ventured to explore the pedestrian leaf bridge and public art over Lincoln Avenue, toured the arts center for a backstage look, and finally, visited City Hall and met with members of the Police Department. Lastly, Mayor Judson and Councilmember Wong opened the City Council study session with the pledge of allegiance and actively participated by asking questions and collaborating with members of City Council throughout the meeting. At the end of the evening, the youth received certificates from the Council in recognition of their participation.

Events like Mayor and Councilmember for the day are important for educating youth about local government, and community issues and values, inspiring them to become active and informed citizens in the future. ♦

COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The City of Lone Tree offers a variety of volunteer opportunities where residents can serve on City commissions, boards or committees (CBC). Every member of a CBC, appointed by the City Council, can engage in thoughtful discussions and make recommendations to the City Council and staff on specific issues or projects, contributing to the future direction of the Lone Tree community.

Lone Tree's CBCs include the Arts Commission, Audit Committee, Board of Adjustments and Appeals, Recreation Advisory Committee, Planning Commission, Youth Commission, and Living and Aging Well Commission.

This summer, the following residents were appointed by the City Council to a CBC:



**Lone Tree Urban
Renewal Authority**
Chris Weir



Planning Commission
Michelle Bechamps



Planning Commission
Julie Britti



Recreation Commission
Joe Wilson



**Living and Aging
Well Commission**
Wynne Shaw



Youth Commission
Melika Sier



Youth Commission
Robert Kenney



Youth Commission
Nora Snody

To learn more about serving on a CBC or to view a list of current openings, please visit cityoflonetree.com or email City Clerk Patricia Leyva at patricia.leyva@cityoflonetree.com. To view meeting agendas for each of the CBCs, visit Go.cityoflonetree.com/CBCs

CML CONFERENCE ENGAGES CITY COUNCIL, RECOGNIZES MILLET AND HOFFMAN

In June, the Lone Tree City Council and staff seized an invaluable opportunity to engage with peers from other cities and towns across the region and delve into emerging trends in local government at the Colorado Municipal League's (CML) annual conference in Loveland, Colorado. Through a series of insightful sessions and workshops, councilmembers gained an understanding of innovative strategies, best practices, and actionable solutions for municipal policy and management.



Left to right: Economic Development Director, Jeff Holwell; Deputy City Manager Kristin Baumgartner; former Mayor, Jackie Millet; Mayor Marissa Harmon; Councilmember Mike Anderson; City Manager Seth Hoffman; Mayor Pro Tem Jay Carpenter; and Councilmember Alecia Brown

During the conference, Lone Tree was a recipient of two honorable mentions. First, former Lone Tree Mayor Jackie Millet was named a recipient of the 2024 Sam Mamet Good Governance Award. The Sam Mamet Good Governance Award, established in 2019 in honor of retired CML Executive Director Sam Mamet, honors up to three individuals annually who exemplify and advance the application of principles of good governance. Millet was recognized for her dedication to transparency, efficiency, and strong regional collaboration that made a positive difference in Lone Tree and across the region and state.

The second notable recognition was the announcement of City Manager Seth Hoffman, elected vice president of the CML Executive Board. The Board is responsible for the overall finances, management, and policy affairs of CML. Hoffman has served on the CML Executive Board for the last two years, and previously served in CML's Municipal Caucus and as a board member for the Colorado Smart Cities Alliance. He is a fierce advocate for local decision making in the face of significant state challenges to local control. Hoffman has served as City Manager for Lone Tree since 2013.

To learn more about CML, visit cml.org ♦

CITY COUNCIL TOURS NEW PWSD BUILDING



New PWSD Administration Building

The City Council recently toured the Parker Water and Sanitation District's (PWSD) new operations, maintenance, and administration building, located across the street from the Rueter-Hess Water Purification Facility (RHWPF), off Ancestry Drive (formerly Heirloom Parkway) and Hess Road. During the visit, City Council met with PWSD's District Manager Ron Redd to gain insights into the facility's operations and future planning. Additionally, the Council visited the Rueter-Hess Reservoir to understand its impact on the community, including its influence on recreational use and the overall resident experience with recreational opportunities.

Currently, Rueter-Hess Reservoir has a capacity to treat, store, and distribute 72,000 acre-feet of water, to PWSD customers daily. PWSD currently serves approximately 21,000 accounts and anticipates serving 35,000 by 2040 when they reach build-out.



For more information on the PWSD, please visit pwsd.org. Interested in recreation activities at the Rueter-Hess Reservoir, visit Douglas County at douglas.co.us ♦

Left to right: PWSD District Manager Ron Redd, Mayor Marissa Harmon, Deputy City Manager Kristin Baumgartner, Councilmember Alecia Brown, and Councilmember Mike Parr

LONE TREE CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

If you live or work in Lone Tree, getting involved in City Council meetings can make a difference in shaping the community's future. All Lone Tree City Council meetings are open to the public and are held on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the Lone Tree Civic Center, 8527 Lone Tree Parkway.

All City Council meetings have a structured format, beginning with study sessions at 4:30 p.m. and the regular meeting at 7 p.m. Only at regular meetings is where the City Council votes on formal actions and receives public comment.

Agendas for upcoming City Council meetings are normally published the Friday before the Tuesday meeting. For agendas, meeting packets, and meeting minutes visit the city's meeting portal at cityoflonetree.civicweb.net/portal/ ♦

The following is a list of City Council meetings for the remainder of 2024:

- October 1
- October 15
- November 5
- November 19
- December 3
- December 17



Wednesday, October 29
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Be on the lookout for information about the location on all City communication channels: e-Timberlines, social media, and our website!



CITY OF
LONE TREE

Town Hall

Join Mayor Marissa Harmon and City Council to learn how your city is growing and thriving with some exciting news and projects shaping our future. You will get the opportunity to share your thoughts, ask questions, and connect with the City Council, staff, and your neighbors on these and other important quality of life topics.

RSVP at
[go.cityoflonetree.com/
TownHallRSVP](http://go.cityoflonetree.com/TownHallRSVP)



SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION

SRO Program Expands to Keep Schools Safe

To create and maintain a safe, secure and orderly learning environment for students, teachers, and staff, the Lone Tree Police Department (LTPD) is increasing the number of school resource officers (SROs) across schools serving the Lone Tree community. This initiative is part of an intergovernmental agreement with Douglas County School District (DCSD), which specifies the cost-sharing agreement for the SRO program between the City and the school district.

Three officers of the LTPD's Community Partnership Unit (CPU) are now assigned full time duties to cover multiple schools including Legacy High School, Lone Tree and Eagle Ridge Elementaries, and three schools on the Teddy Lane Campus, including Eagle Academy, Early Childhood Center North, and the Bridge Center.

"Expanding our SRO program is a pivotal step toward fostering a safer and more supportive environment for students," said LTPD Chief of Police Kirk Wilson. "By embedding dedicated officers within our schools, we not only enhance security but also build trust and positive relationships with our youth, empowering them to thrive academically and personally."

Since 2022, in partnership with the school district, the police department has committed SROs to local schools as part of its goals for early intervention and crime prevention shaping safety on school campuses. School Resource Officers have several key responsibilities, including responding to incidents and addressing safety



Left to right: SROs Kyle Goudy, Kris Larson, and Mark Pane

concerns; conducting educational programs to promote awareness; mediating and resolving conflicts among students; preparing for and managing emergencies; working closely with school administrators, teachers and parents to address issues and enhance the school environment; and serving as positive role models for students.

"Proactive safety in schools is more important than ever due to the growing challenges we face in public safety today," added Chief Wilson. "Our SROs play a vital role in enhancing security by providing a visible presence, implementing preventive measures, and addressing issues before they escalate that help protect students and staff."

All LTPD SROs are trained and certified by the National Association of School Resource Officers and the Colorado Association of School Resource Officers.

Currently, Officers Mark Pane, Kyle Goudy, and Kris Larson are the designated SROs for the Lone Tree Police Department. Sergeant Kenny Medina of the Community Partnership Unit supervises the team and can be reached at kmedina@cityoflonetree.com or 720-509-1229. ♦

Emergencies can happen at any time. Don't miss out on alerts that can keep you safe.

CodeRED alerts and updates on tornadoes, blizzards, fires, police activity, and shelter in place orders to keep you and your family informed.



Learn more and sign up at dcsheriff.net/codered/

SAFETY REMINDER FOR DRIVING IN SCHOOL ZONES

It's that time of year when students are headed back to school and parents are jumping into routine for the new school year. With increased traffic in the parent pick up and drop off lanes, it's important for drivers to pay extra attention, be patient and aware in school zones and obey all traffic laws for the safety of everyone – pedestrians and drivers.

Here are few tips:

The Flashing Yellow Light, School Zone Areas

Traffic must slow down from the beginning of the lights until the next speed limit sign or signage that indicates the school zone has ended. School Zone times vary, and it is the driver's responsibility to be aware and drive according to the posted signs and lights.

Fines are doubled in school zones.

Stop for school buses.

Colorado law dictates a driver of a vehicle, upon meeting from either direction any school bus which has stopped and has activated its red flashing lights, is required to stop the vehicle. Drivers do not need to stop for a school bus upon meeting or passing a school bus which is on a different roadway. School bus drivers are authorized to report violators to the appropriate law enforcement agency who may issue a citation based on the information provided.



Pedestrians, once in a crosswalk, have the right of way.

If you maintain a safe speed for conditions and foot traffic you should have plenty of time to slow down and stop safely.

Right on Red.

Where allowed and not all intersections are clear for right on red, the car at the red light does not have the right of way. Cars turning on arrows or going with the flow of traffic always have the right of way.

For more information on traffic laws for drivers in school zones, please call the Police Department's non-emergency number at 303-799-0533. ♦

Illegal street racing continues to be a safety issue in the Denver metro area. Law enforcement agencies across the state are joining together to help stop incidents from occurring but we need your help! You can now help the Lone Tree Police Department and other law enforcement agencies by reporting illegal street racing online or call the Lone Tree Police Department when the street racing is occurring.



LTPD'S UNDERCOVER LIQUOR COMPLIANCE CHECKS

ACHIEVE RECORD SUCCESS WITH MOST BUSINESSES PASSING

Obtaining a liquor license is a privilege for establishments in the City of Lone Tree as it allows each business to sell and serve alcoholic beverages and tobacco products. With the grant of the liquor license, bars, retail and liquor stores, and restaurants are responsible for adhering to regulations of the state liquor code related to the sale and consumption of alcohol. This includes responsible serving, verifying the age of patrons, and not over serving, including refusing service to individuals who are visibly intoxicated.

In July, as part of the Police Department's commitment to maintaining a safe environment by preventing underage drinking and promoting responsible alcohol distribution and service, the police department conducted its annual liquor compliance check, covering all 80 liquor license holders in the City. Lone Tree stands out as the only City that includes all liquor license holders in its compliance checks.

During these checks, which are conducted in one day, undercover police officers assess compliance by accompanying volunteer, underage individuals as they attempt to purchase alcohol and/or tobacco products from the retailer. When the owner, manager, clerk or server fails to verify the legitimacy of the underage person's identification, the police officer issues the seller a citation for providing alcohol to underage persons. All defendants are required to appear in municipal court

and could face a fine up to \$2650, based on Lone Tree Municipal Code, Sec. 2-2-100 – Collection of Unpaid Municipal Court Assessments (refer to <https://go.cityoflonetree.com/municode-municipal-court-assessments>).

Additionally, businesses risk losing their liquor license and must participate in a show cause hearing before a judge to defend why their liquor license should not be revoked. This process is often costly, and sometimes detrimental for businesses as judgments can result in substantial fines and restrictions on alcohol sales.

Out of the 80 license holders in the City, only five employees from five different establishments were cited for serving alcohol to a minor, compared to previous years where failures were much higher in the City.

For more information about the LTPD's liquor compliance check, please contact Lone Tree Police Commander Tim Beals at tim.beals@cityoflonetree.com or call 720-509-1159.

Questions related to liquor licensing can be directed to City Clerk Patricia Leyva at patricia.leyva@cityoflonetree.com or call 720-509-1266. ♦

Lone Tree Police Department Crime Tip Line 720-509-1160

Reducing crime requires active participation from all members of the community.

Citizens play a crucial role in creating a safe environment through proactive efforts.

One way to keep your community safe is to call police if you see or know something that could be a danger.

LONE TREE POLICE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

The City of Lone Tree's commitment to public safety stretches into the community with this new event, launched in 2023. At this educational open house, Lone Tree residents had a chance to meet the men and women of the police department, and other participating agencies and enjoy a day of fun, family activities. Thanks to all the following vendors and sponsors for their participation and support.

Sponsors:

Charles Schwab
 GQ BBQ
 Kiewit
 KSE radio
 Park Meadows Retail Resort
 Sky Ridge Medical Center

Vendors:

Bio One
 Buddy Center-Dumb Friends League
 Cabela's
 Douglas County Community Response Team
 Douglas County Health Department
 Douglas County HEART
 Douglas County Regional SWAT
 Douglas County Sheriff's Office
 Johnny's Ambassadors
 Lone Tree Police Recruiting
 Lone Tree Public Library
 Lone Tree Public Works
 Lone Tree Victim Advocates
 Ninja Nation
 Parker Police Department
 Rocky Mtn Credit Union
 SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions)
 South Metro Fire Rescue
 South Metro Safety Foundation
 South Suburban Parks- Park Rangers
 Special Olympics
 State Farm
 Target- Lone Tree
 Vibe Foods

Interested in being a sponsor or vendor for next year's Police Department Open House, please email Sergeant Kenny Medina at Kenny.medina@cityoflonetree.com ♦



LTPD HONORS OFFICERS AND CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES



One of the greatest attributes about the City of Lone Tree is it's a safe place. Safe to live or raise a family, safe to own or work at a Lone Tree business, and safe to visit whether it's for shopping, dining or recreating. The safety of the community is all due to the hard work and countless hours of sacrifice of the men and women of the Lone Tree Police Department (LTPD).

On June 26, 2024, the LTPD recognized both police officers and civilian employees for their service to the Lone Tree community with several awards and recognitions. Police department employees, their friends and families joined Emcee Susie Wargin, guest speaker Denver Sergeant Dustin Dodge, the Mayor, City Council, City Manager and staff for the department's annual awards and swearing-in ceremony at the Lone Tree Arts Center.

The ceremony included recognition of 2022 and 2023 commendations including 103 commander commendations, and 24 chief commendations. Commendations are given out to police staff, volunteers, sworn officers or members of City staff who have confronted volatile situations and maintained their composure, have demonstrated selfless conduct during a time of crisis or have shown commitment and professionalism during any special circumstances.

Lone Tree congratulates the following and extends our appreciation for your service to the community:



New Police Officers:

Caleb Clarkson, Abigail Hosier, Jesus Olivas, Justin Risdall, Dylan Settle, Tova Slavkin

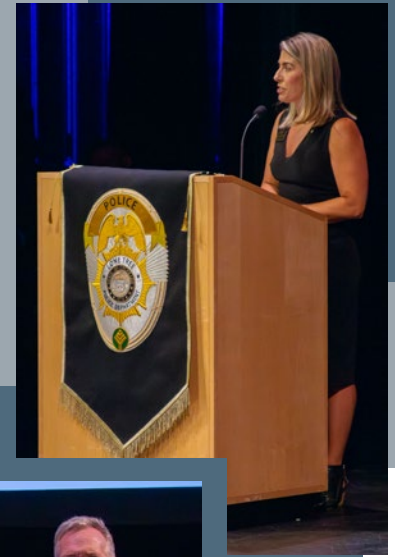


Promotions:

Corporals: Grant Collins and Andrew Holton

Sergeants: Steve Garcia and Michael Travis

Lieutenant: Travis Sneith



Civilian Hires and Promotions

- Chris Baker, *Records Technician*
- Scott Cavenah, *Support Services Manager*
- Jenni Davis, *Discovery Specialist*
- Steve Johnson, *Background Investigator*
- Justin Moss, *Community Safety Officer*
- Everett Vasil, *Community Safety Officer*
- Yue Yang Wang, *Records Technician*



Presidents Lifetime Achievement Award

This award is given out to civilian volunteers that have donated over 4000 hours of time to eligible organizations. The award is in cooperation with the President of the United States and AmeriCorps.

Ron Books



Citizens Citation for Meritorious Conduct and Police Service Award

A plaque is awarded to a private citizen for an act which involves uncommon risk to the citizen when providing assistance to the Police Department or for an act which results in the saving of a life or attempted saving of a life in which extraordinary efforts were used and uncommon risk to the citizen was involved. This award may also be given to a citizen or volunteer for highly professional conduct, performance or significant achievement in support of the police department.

Grant Collins and Sophia Lind





LTPD Service by the Numbers 2023 Stats

- 70,891 calls for service
- Three (3) minutes or less response time on any serious or priority one calls
- 11,631 reports written
- 1,791 arrests

Police Service Awards

This award is for an act of high professional conduct, performance or significant achievement.

John Hastings
Mimi Pavlova
Jeff Roepke



Life Saving Awards

Awarded to any employee for demonstrating exceptional knowledge or actions that help save the life of another person.

Dennis Boos
Jared Broz
Chuck Miller
Andrew Montes
Mark Pane
Mimi Pavlova
Dylan Settle
Lindsay Sullivan





Distinguished Service Awards

The Medal is presented to any employee of the police department who are recognized for heroic acts of bravery, courage and/or self-sacrifice for others, which may involve a significant risk to the employee.

- Grant Collins
- Danny Gogolen
- Kyle Goudy
- Andrew Montes
- Steve Ramos
- Michael Smith
- Lindsay Sullivan
- Deonna Weil



Chief's Vision and Values Awards

This award is presented to an employee that was voted by leadership members and exuberates the vision and values of the department.

- Scott Cavenah
- Deonna Weil



Council and Mayors Recognitions

These awards recognized elected civic leaders who provided leadership and support to the Police Department.

- Cathie Frazzini
- Jackie Millet
- Wynne Shaw



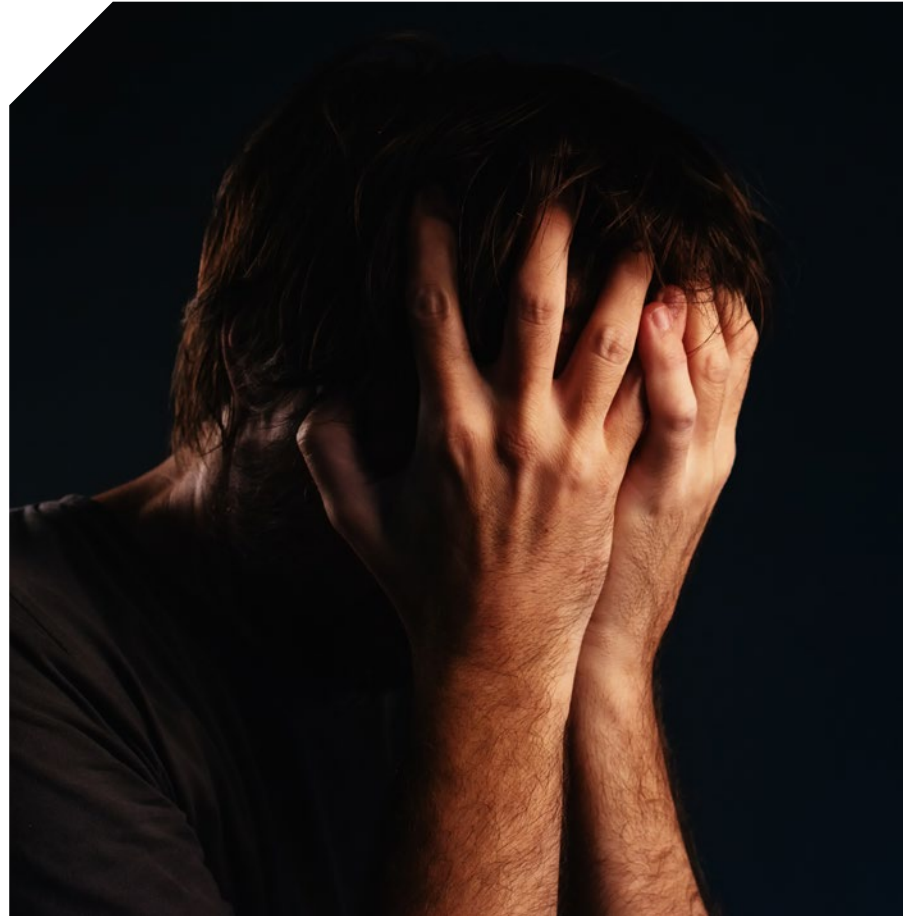
LONE TREE POLICE AND DOUGLAS COUNTY PARTNER FOR COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Did you know there is a program in Lone Tree that provides support to adults and youth experiencing a mental health crisis?

Your Lone Tree Police Department and Douglas County have established a Community Response Team (CRT) that leverages the strength of your Police Department and your county government to offer a coordinated response to mental health emergencies, not only addressing an individual's immediate needs, but also promoting long-term mental health and well-being in the Lone Tree community.

This all began in 2014, when the Douglas County Mental Health Initiative (DCMHI) was established in response to several tragic mental health-related incidents. The Initiative united more than 40 community partners to address unmet mental health needs, connect people to mental health services and prevent those in need from falling through the cracks of the mental health system. As part of this pioneering effort to address mental health crises in the County, the DCMHI introduced the first Community Response Team (CRT) in 2017. The DCMHI was established to unite community partners, address unmet mental health needs, connect people to mental health services and prevent those in need from falling through the cracks of the mental health system.

The CRT program consists of nine teams, two of which are specialized youth response teams, and is a partnership of the Douglas County government and all law enforcement agencies within the county as well as South Metro Fire and Rescue and Castle Rock Fire and Rescue. One CRT is based in Lone Tree, but all teams have jurisdiction to respond to calls throughout the county which maximizes CRT coverage and service. These teams pair a full-time, dedicated law enforcement officer with a mental health clinician who ride together 40-hours a week, responding to mental and behavioral health emergencies. Additionally, each team has a dedicated resource specialist that facilitates connection to appropriate and accessible resources after the initial crisis has passed. The CRT program aims to help individuals



experiencing a mental or behavioral health crisis avoid going to jail or the emergency room unnecessarily and instead connect them with the appropriate treatment and services.

Service calls for CRTs in Lone Tree and other jurisdictions of the county are generated from 9-1-1 calls and referrals regarding potential suicides, welfare checks and behavioral health. Available seven days a week, CRT teams frequently assist one another across jurisdictions.

If you or someone you know is experiencing a life-threatening mental health crisis, please call 9-1-1, or the Colorado Mental Health Line at 988. 988 is a free service available to anyone in Colorado experiencing a mental health, substance abuse, or emotional crisis.

For additional information or questions regarding CRT programming, please contact Maggie Cooper, Deputy Division Manager, Douglas County Mental Health Division at mcooper@douglas.co.us ♦

BECOME A POLICE VICTIM ASSISTANCE ADVOCATE

Help Victims of Life Altering Events Move Forward

When crime or tragedy occurs, it leaves victims and their families facing significant challenges and emotional distress. For many, coping with the aftermath can be daunting, and figuring out where to seek help can often feel overwhelming.

The Victim Assistance Unit (VAU) of the Lone Tree Police Department (LTPD) trains volunteer advocates to provide short-term crisis intervention, resources, and support to victims of crime and tragedy. When a police event occurs, officers on the scene will request support from the VAU. A VAU advocate will promptly arrive at the event to ensure victims receive the necessary support during their most vulnerable moments. VAU advocates offer compassionate care, including a listening ear, and help victims navigate legal, medical and social services. They also provide emotional support to help victims process their trauma and regain a sense of control and safety, advocating on their behalf to ensure their voices are heard as they begin on the path to recovery.

The VAU Unit of the LTPD, which partners with the Parker Police Department, operates around the clock, seven days a week. The unit relies heavily on volunteers who generously donate their time to support the Lone Tree community. Currently, there are five volunteer advocates in the unit, and a therapy dog, Mikey, supervised and managed by two staff members who also serve as victim assistance advocates of the LTPD. The department is always recruiting for additional volunteers throughout the year and volunteers can select their own availability and schedule.

If you are looking to make a meaningful impact in the Lone Tree community, consider becoming a victim assistance volunteer advocate. To be considered, you must be 21 years of age, able to handle stressful situations, possess excellent communication skills, be respectful and empathetic, and can pass a background check and polygraph examination.

In addition, volunteer advocates can attend a 40-hour training over five weeks, in collaboration with other law enforcement agencies, that covers crisis intervention, active listening and the psychological effects of trauma. Trainees will learn about the specific needs and resources available to various victim populations such as survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse through presentations, role play and interactive exercises. Practicing self-care to manage the emotional demands of the role is also taught and tours of facilities such as the jail, coroner's office and 9-1-1 dispatch are provided so victim advocates can gain a better understanding of the entire victim advocacy process.



Mikey



*Lone Tree Victim Assistance Advocates (left to right):
Kyleen, Jennifer, Bri, Stephanie, Lindsay, John, and Lois*

For more information, email LTPDvictimadvocates@cityoflonetree.com, call 720-509-1140 or apply online at cityoflonetree.com/victim-services/ ♦

ESSENTIAL TIPS FOR SECURE NEIGHBORHOODS

As Lone Tree continues to grow, maintaining a safe and secure community remains a top priority for the Police Department. This article will explore practical safety tips to help you protect your home and vehicles.

Deter Theft in Your Home

Thieves break into homes by simply entering through doors, windows or open garages. Sometimes thieves will go door to door looking for unoccupied homes. If an unidentified person comes to your door, take precautions before you open your door. Never open the door to someone you do not know and always ask for identification.

- **Doors and locks.** Thieves can break into your home through locked and unlocked doors and windows. Lock all doors and windows before you leave the house or go to bed. The front or back door is the most common point of entry.
- **Windows.** Unlocked windows, including in the basement, are frequent points of entry.
- **Garage doors.** Keep your garage closed and locked, including the door always leading from the garage to your home and any side doors. The door from the garage into the house also deserves a deadbolt.
- **Keys and key chains.**
Do not hide keys outside your home.
- **Light it up.** Exterior lights (especially the ones that are activated by motion) are a great deterrent to thieves. Use lights on timers in your home, especially when away making your home look occupied.

Deter Theft of Your Vehicles and Valuables

With thieves increasingly targeting vehicles in neighborhoods, taking proactive measures is more important than ever. Vehicles left unguarded and valuables left in plain sight are prime targets for opportunistic criminals.

- **Lock Your Vehicle.** Always lock your car doors and secure windows.
- **Remove valuables.** Never leave valuables such as electronics, bags, or personal items in plain sight inside your vehicle. Store these items in the trunk or take them inside your home.
- **Secure the Garage.** Ensure that your garage door closes securely. Check that all side doors and windows to the garage are also locked.
- **Install Motion-Sensor Lights.** Place motion-sensor lights around your driveway and garage area. This can deter criminal activity by illuminating the area when movement is detected.

Residential Property Watch Request in Lone Tree

If you are a resident of Lone Tree and are planning to be away on vacation, you may request increased patrols of your home and your street while you are away by a member of the Lone Tree Police Department. If an issue is detected, the police department will attempt to notify the resident or designated caretaker.

Once a Property Watch form is submitted online, police department personnel will:

- Walk around the front and back of your property
- Verify doors are locked
- Verify the property is secure
- Move packages out of street view

To request a Property Watch, visit cityoflonetree.com and submit a Property Watch request form online.

- **Park in Well-Lit Areas.** When parking outside, choose well-lit, busy areas or within sight of your home. Avoid parking in secluded or poorly lit areas.
- **Use a Steering Wheel Lock.** A visible steering wheel lock can deter thieves.
- **Install a Vehicle Tracking System.** GPS tracking devices can help locate your car if it is stolen.
- **Keep your keys secure.** Never leave your car keys inside the vehicle.
- **Engage Your Alarm System.** Ensure that your car's alarm system is activated whenever you leave it unattended.

For more information on the security of your property or the safety of your neighborhood, reach out to the police department's Community Partnership Unit at CPU@cityoflonetree.com 📧

MORE FLOCK SAFETY CAMERAS COMING TO LONE TREE TO BOOST CRIME PREVENTION AND CASE RESOLUTION

Lone Tree has long been recognized as a safe community, where residents and businesses enjoy a high quality of life. To further enhance the safety of residential and business areas by staying ahead of criminals passing through the City, the Police Department is embracing cutting-edge technology, approved by City Council, known as Flock Safety License Plate Reader Cameras, and are already seeing significant results.

“The Police Department has used Flock Safety Cameras for over two years, and the technology has proven invaluable to our officers,” said Chief Kirk Wilson. “With more Flock Safety Cameras being installed in the City, we will gain enhanced coverage, bolstering our ability to prevent and solve crimes.”

According to the International Association of Chiefs of Police, up to 70% of crimes involve a vehicle, and 60% of stolen vehicles are linked to criminal activity. Advanced surveillance systems such as Flock Safety technology play a critical role in reducing these statistics by improving monitoring and tracking capabilities for law enforcement.

Equipped with high-definition license plate readers and real-time data processing analyzing vehicle movements, each Flock Safety Camera sends a real-time alert to law enforcement when a stolen car or known wanted suspect from a state or national crime database is detected. They also send alerts if a vehicle is associated with a missing person in an Amber or Silver Alert is detected.

Flock Safety Cameras capture license plates and vehicle characteristics, not people or faces. Each search requires a justification, and the data is never sold or shared with third parties. The cameras are used to solve and reduce crime and are not intended for minor traffic or parking violations.

“One of the key benefits of these cameras is their ability to provide intelligence quickly to officers,” added Chief Wilson. “Our officers can use the footage to track the suspect’s movements and locations in real time to help us respond and solve cases more efficiently.”

The Lone Tree Police Department has noted several key cases where Flock Safety Cameras were instrumental in solving each case, providing critical evidence that led to the successful apprehension of suspects. For instance, the cameras were instrumental in the arrest of a suspect



involved in a random homicide in Lone Tree in 2023, and they also helped identify suspects in a 2024 summer shooting incident. Beyond these cases, Flock Safety Cameras are actively aiding officers in police work with daily arrests, enhancing the department’s ability to proactively address and solve incidents throughout the city.

Currently, 10 Flock Safety Cameras are installed in various locations around Park Meadows Retail Resort, as well as several neighborhoods throughout the City (these cameras were installed by their homeowners’ associations). The Police Department plans to install additional Flock Safety Cameras throughout the City by the end of 2024. Each camera’s effectiveness will be evaluated annually to ensure it supports the department’s overall goals of enhancing community safety.

Flock Safety Cameras are in use in more than 5,000 communities across the country, and the company works with over 3,000 police departments. According to Flock Safety, the Flock Safety Cameras help law enforcement solve 10% of reported crime in the U.S. and communities using Flock Safety Cameras have reported crime reductions of up to 70%.

For more information, please contact Lone Tree Police Commander Ron Pinson at ron.pinson@cityoflonetree.com or call 720-509-1154. ♦

MOVING GROUND IN LONE TREE

ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT

Jack's at Lone Tree

(located northeast corner of South Yosemite Street and Park Meadows Drive, former site of Mimi's Café)
Expected opening date: Spring 2025

Jack's Modern American Steak and Seafood Restaurant commenced construction on its flagship location in Lone Tree, bringing its renewed culinary experience to the heart of the community. The new two-story restaurant will boast a modern and inviting ambiance that perfectly complements its diverse menu of classic American flavors with an innovative culinary flare. The Lone Tree location of Jack's features a spacious and elegant dining area, designed to create an atmosphere that is both comfortable and sophisticated. The restaurant will also offer space for private dining options for special occasions, including corporate events and weddings. Jack's is locally, family-owned by Steve Lockton in memory of his father, Jack Lockton and its current location on South Pearl Street was voted the best Steak House in Colorado in January of 2024.

For information, visit jacksonpearldenver.com.



RIDGEGATE COMMONS

Living Spaces

(located between existing Cabela's store and the Marriott Hotel)
Expected opening date: Summer 2025

The site will include a 108,000 square foot, two-story furniture retail store. The store offers different price points and feature pieces created by celebrity designers like Nate and Jeremiah. A café/bar will serve customers a basic menu as well as beer and wine. Café purchases could go toward purchasing items in the store. The development includes other site amenities including sidewalks, an outdoor patio space, and surrounding landscaping. The existing parking lot and shared access roads will remain as originally constructed.

For more information, visit livingspaces.com



PARK MEADOWS RETAIL RESORT

Park Meadows Parking Garage

(located outside of the entrance of the dining hall)

Expected opening date: First phase, Fall 2025

Park Meadows is expanding with an exciting new development that will enhance the shopping experience and further establish its presence in an ever-evolving retail landscape. The approved project includes a four-level parking structure with 994 spaces dedicated solely to retail visitors. This structure will offer convenient covered parking at the center's main entrance and prominently display tenant signage and Park Meadows branding, creating a strong visual impact for arriving customers.



Park Meadows Activity and Play Area

(located in the Vistas, across the street from Arhaus Furniture and GQUE BBQ.)

Expected opening date: November 2024

Park Meadows is thrilled to announce the development of its new Play and Activity Area, set to become the latest family-friendly attraction in Lone Tree. A centerpiece of the area is a unique play structure designed to resemble Colorado's iconic outdoor landscapes and gold mining history, featuring a towering slide, climbing structures, and other interactive elements that encourage active play and exploration. Surrounding the play area are various seating arrangements, including tables and chairs perfect for parents and visitors to sit back, relax, and enjoy refreshments from nearby eateries.



RIBBON CUTTINGS AND GRAND OPENINGS



Poonam's by Design

8345 Park Meadows Center Drive
poonamsbydesign.com



Business Acceleration Center

9044 Forsstrom Drive
businessfoundry.com



Caddy Shack Cantina

9535 Park Meadows Drive, #B
caddyshackcantina.com



La Fresa Michoacana Ice Cream & Mexican Snacks

7824 Park Meadows Drive, #200

Welcome

NEW LONE TREE BUSINESSES

JUNE

Highway Dhaba
Food Services
Entertainment District

Simplified Benefits Administrators LLC
Insurance Company
Omni Park

Nori Japan
Restaurant
Inside Park Meadows
Retail Resort

The Escape Game Lone Tree, LLC
Entertainment
Inside Park Meadows
Retail Resort

Fork River Construction
General Contractor
Residential Businesses

LaVie Institute
Medical Services
RidgeGate

Dawatha LLC
Government
The Crest

JULY

Garnish Fusion Bakery Bar and Grill
Restaurant
Entertainment District

McCracken Eye and Face Institute
Medical Services
Omni Park

Sole.
Retail
Inside Park Meadows
Retail Resort

Continuous Capital Management
Real Estate
Residential Business

Fellow Business Support
Consulting Services
Residential Business

Henington Group RIA LLC
Consulting Services
Residential Business

AUGUST

Revive Headspa Studio LLC
Beauty Salon
Entertainment District

Charles Welch Author
Retail Sales
Omni Park

Box Lunch #4799
Retail Sales
Inside Park Meadows
Retail Resort

The Untamed Company LLC
Beauty Salon
RidgeGate

Sport Clips Haircuts of Lone Tree
Beauty Salon
RidgeGate

Imperial Chinese Kitchen
Restaurant
RidgeGate

The Reserve at Lone Tree
Senior Living
RidgeGate East

Willow Creek Dental
Med Services/Retail
The Crest



LONE TREE

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

*Eric Evans, President and CEO,
Sky Ridge Medical Center*

Sky Ridge Medical Center is pleased to welcome Eric Evans as its new President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO). Prior to joining the Sky Ridge team, Eric was the CEO and market president at Corpus Christi Medical Center in Corpus Christi, Texas. In his prior role for four years, Eric provided



leadership and strategic direction for two acute care hospitals, three freestanding emergency centers, a cancer center, and a behavioral health hospital.

“Sky Ridge has an outstanding reputation in the community and I am pleased to lead this world-class destination facility,” said Evans. “You can count on us to continue to provide exceptional service, participate in the organizations that matter to our neighbors and set the bar high in innovation and quality.” “Having worked with Eric in Houston, I can attest to his exceptional skills and leadership. I am pleased he will lead one of our premier HealthONE hospitals – Sky Ridge Medical Center,” said Chad Christianson, President & CEO of HCA Healthcare’s HealthONE Continental Division of which Sky Ridge is a member.

During his first two months, Eric has noted that his time has been “exhilarating, fast-paced and exciting as he has gotten to know the team, our physicians, members of the community and the Sky Ridge culture. “

“What has struck me the most is the passion and commitment of our colleagues to live our HCA Healthcare mission – above all else, we are committed to the care and improvement of human life. I am excited for the future and continuing to be a good community partner that delivers exceptional care... close to home.”

Eric also noted that he has been impressed by the warm welcome he has received from the City of Lone Tree team, Mayor Harmon and local business leaders. “As a new resident of Colorado, the reputation and professionalism of the business community in Lone Tree has already exceeded my expectations. It is not a wonder that Lone Tree and RidgeGate are ranked among the top places to live and work.”

Eric graduated from the University of Texas at Dallas and earned a Master’s degree in Health Services Administration from George Washington University in Washington, DC. He and his wife Patty have two children, Tyler, 20, and Sarah, 17. He is looking forward to living, working and being active in Douglas County. Sky Ridge celebrated 21 years of service to the Lone Tree community and beyond on August 20, 2024. ♦

Upcoming City Events

As the weather gets cooler, the events in Lone Tree heat up even more! From festivals and beer tastings to live music and food trucks, there are many more chances to gather with your friends and neighbors this fall in Lone Tree!



SATURDAY **21**
SEPTEMBER

2PM TO 7PM

THE ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT

**9355 PARK MEADOWS DR
LONE TREE, CO**

**Plaza
palooza**

**EVENTS,
VENDORS, AND
FOOD FOR THE
WHOLE FAMILY!**

**FREE ENTRY
FOOD AND
BEVERAGES
AVAILABLE FOR
PURCHASE!**



save the date

Tickets and more information can be found at cityoflonetree.com/cityevents



Merry Days
Dec. 6—8, 2024

VENDORS AND VISITORS

UFC Gym
The Makers Lab
Riman
Simply Radiant
HK CO Shop
Tall Tales Ranch
Simply Loved by Mom
Castle Rock Hormone Health
Curious Gardener Botanical Soaps
Hazy Dayz Gems and Jewels
Plant Whisper Dreams
Forester Family Medical Supply
Jill of All Trades
Lone Tree Police Department
Woof and Willow
Creative Collaborations
Vibalminerals
Masters of Crunch
Rare Karaoke

And More!

FOOD AND DRINK

Grecian Gyro Express
MM Western Grill
Funday Sundaes
Hip Pops

Bar sponsored by
Dancing Kids Fundraising

LIVE MUSIC

Princess and the Evolution
DJ by Rare Karaoke Cafe



CRAFTOBERFEST



**LIVE
MUSIC**

**AXE
THROWING**

**STEIN
HOISTING**

**FOOD
TRUCKS**

CRAFTOBERFEST
at Schweiger Ranch
Saturday Oct. 5, 2024
3 p.m. — 6 p.m.

LAGERS, IPAS, AND BREWS, OH MY!

This celebration of Colorado's love for craft beer is perfect way to expand your palette and enjoy some local favorites. Drawing inspiration from the German October tradition, attendees also have a chance to don lederhosen and enjoy the perfect fall Saturday. Craftoberfest participants can participate in a stein hoisting competition and noshing on German cuisine or American favorites from food trucks. There will also be activities for everyone to enjoy, including a mobile axe throwing cage, giant pong, and cornhole, and traditional German oompah music from Neue Polka and some Mashgrass from High Lonesome.

To take part in the beer tasting, you can purchase a ticket in advance at cityoflonetree.com/cityevents



Fall FESTIVAL

AT SCHWEIGER RANCH

CITY OF LONE TREE

FALL FESTIVAL
at Schweiger Ranch
Sunday Oct. 6, 2024
11 A.M. – 3 P.M.



Rounding out the weekend of fall events is the perfect family gathering at Schweiger Ranch's historic property. All the classic elements of the fall come together to make an ideal fall day for the whole family.

Pumpkins, marshmallow roasting, storytelling, live bluegrass music, and hayrides are all available to make an unforgettable experience. Families can also enjoy the petting zoo, crafting, and learning the history behind Schweiger Ranch. Food trucks and vendors will also be onsite.



HAYRIDES

STORYTELLING

LIVE MUSIC

PETTING ZOO

**MARSHMALLOW
ROASTING**

**RESERVE YOUR
SPOT FOR THE
HAYRIDE TO
AVOID THE LINE!**



[HTTPS://GO.CITYOFLONETREE.COM/FALLFESTWAGONRIDES](https://go.cityoflonetree.com/fallfestwagonrides)

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

An annual hallmark for Lone Tree, this multi-faceted celebration featured a bike parade, family fun park (complete with inflatable bouncies!), live music at Prairie Sky Park, and was capped off with an unforgettable fireworks display.





BACKYARD BEATS – LOVE LOCAL

The Lone Tree way to kick off the summer, our first event featured music from Larger than Life, the ultimate tribute to boy bands from throughout time. At this event, local Lone Tree organizations had the opportunity to educate attendees about everything our community has to offer.





VOLUNTEERS MAKE THE ARTS CENTER GO 'ROUND



Volunteer ushers are a fixture of events at the Lone Tree Arts Center. This group of passionate individuals, with their white shirts capped with a bright green accent, welcome every person to our facility with a warm smile and help visitors with anything they may need. It is not an exaggeration to say that the Arts Center could not function without this dedicated group.

Each year, we pause to acknowledge the incredible contributions of this group and show our appreciation with a special breakfast featuring celebration, thanks, and recognition. At this event in early August, City of Lone Tree Mayor Pro Tem Jay Carpenter laid out the incredible impact of volunteers through numbers:

- Over 55,000 visitors between September 2023 and June 2024
- Over 6,000 volunteer hours
- 112 total ushers

This incredible impact is made possible through a group effort, but individuals stand out each year as well. At this appreciation breakfast, we honored two individual ushers with the Ellyn Lyman Usher with Heart Award and as the Usher of the Year.

The Ellyn Lyman award was given to usher Mary Mathews for her dedication to the Arts Center's wide variety of programs including sensory inclusive events and a special partnership with the Wellspring Community for young adults with developmental disabilities. The Usher of the Year award is given to the usher who volunteered the most hours in the previous season and had not been previously recognized. The 2024 award was given to Susan Hunter, a dedicated volunteer who worked a total of 203.75 hours between June of 2023 and May of 2024.

In addition, the following ushers were recognized:

Ambassadors

(ushers with the most hours from June '23-May '24 who are not already ambassadors)

- Robert Strauss
- Carole Strauss
- Nina Sniderman
- Karen Heskin
- Barbara Hruska
- Paulette Perry
- Laure van Houten
- Sherry Treat



WOW Ushers

(ushers with the most hours from June '23-May '24 overall)

- Sharon Ammerman
- Tamara Barkdoll
- Shirley Cavanaugh
- Sandy Gibbons
- Deb Heckart
- Charlene Hovey
- Susan Hunter
- Connie Keitel
- Laurie Kunkel
- Mary Mathews
- Lynda Meier
- Wendy Schafer
- Carole Strauss
- Robert Strauss
- Elaine Thorne



Next time you visit the Lone Tree Arts Center you'll undoubtedly see one of our amazing ushers at work. You can join us in thanking them for the valuable contributions they bring to our entire community.

For more information in becoming an usher at the Lone Tree Arts Center, please visit lonetreeartscenter.org. ♦



LONE TREE ARTS CENTER EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

20 DanceAspen

OCTOBER

17-27 Million Dollar Quartet
Book by Colin Escott and Floyd Mutrux

26 A Night in Memphis Gala

NOVEMBER

2 Songwriter City

7 National Geographic Live
Life on Thin Ice with Photographer Kiliii Yüyan

9 Mummenschanz

15 Brubeck Brothers Quartet



National Geographic Live: Thursday, November 7, 2024

Journey to the Arctic with National Geographic Explorer Kiliii Yüyan, whose photography celebrates the resilience, culture, and traditions of the diverse Indigenous communities in the Arctic. Yüyan has earned a reputation for portraying human experience in some of the world's harshest natural

environments through his stunning photography. Join us on this expedition and explore the connections between the people, animals, and land in this remote, wild, and mysterious place.

A LEGENDARY JAM SESSION

The Story of Million Dollar Quartet

Following the Lone Tree Arts Center's successful return to producing theater in 2023 with the musical *Dreamgirls* and the murder mystery play *The Mousetrap*, this tradition continues into the fall with a production of the rock 'n' roll musical, *Million Dollar Quartet*.

Inspired by the legendary recording session that took place in 1956, at the Sun Record Studios in Memphis, Tennessee, *Million Dollar Quartet* tells a fictionalized account of this true event. This impromptu jam session brought together four of the most iconic figures in rock and roll history: Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Carl Perkins.

The session was the brainchild of Sam Phillips, the visionary record producer who founded Sun Records and is often credited with discovering the sound of rock and roll. The gathering was a serendipitous event, with the four stars meeting by chance and deciding to record together. Since then, this moment in music history has been known as the "Million Dollar Quartet" due to the immense collective value of the talents involved.

The musical adaptation of this historic event premiered in 2006 and was created by Floyd Mutrux and Colin Escott. Nominated for three Tony Awards, *Million Dollar Quartet* captures the energy, spontaneity, and raw talent of that day. With the classic makeup of a "jukebox musical," the production blends the classic hits of the four rock legends with a narrative that explores their personalities, rivalries, and their collective cultural impact. Lone Tree audiences will hear songs like "Blue Suede Shoes," "Great Balls of Fire," and "Hound Dog."

The creative skills of this cast are considerable – actors are not only required to sing and act, but they must also play their own instruments live on stage. Dominique Scott, musical director and actor performing as Jerry Lee Lewis, pulls double duty as he oversees the overall musical performances and also captures the youthful energy and piano skills that Lewis brought to his performances.

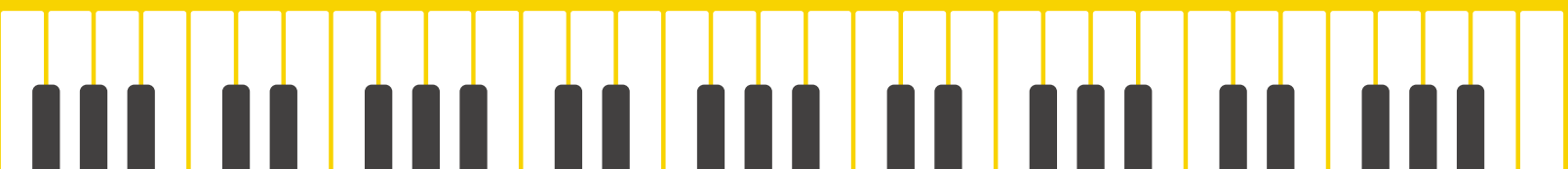


"Lovers of old school rock 'n' roll will get a big bang out of 'Million Dollar Quartet,' a mighty slick jukebox musical powered by a dynamite song stack and dynamic portrayals of the four legends singing 'em."

—New Jersey Newsroom

Million Dollar Quartet has enjoyed considerable success both on Broadway and in productions around the world. The musical not only brings to life a pivotal moment in music history but also delves into the complex relationships and dynamics that shaped the early days of rock and roll. The Lone Tree production opens on Thursday, October 17 and runs through Sunday, October 27. Tickets are on sale now at lonetreeartscenter.org – don't miss the chance to see this iconic quartet in action!

This production is generously supported by Park Meadows Retail Resort. The Lone Tree Arts Center is supported by SCFD and the residents who support it and Colorado Creative Industries.



A NIGHT IN MEMPHIS

Sat. October 26, 2024

• LONE TREE ARTS CENTER GALA •



CELEBRATE “A NIGHT IN MEMPHIS”

at the Lone Tree Arts Center Gala!

Join the Lone Tree Arts Center on Saturday, October 26 to celebrate the music and culture of the Birthplace of Rock 'n' Roll and support life-changing arts programs! At **A NIGHT IN MEMPHIS**, attendees will enjoy southern culinary classics and specialty cocktails, all while listening to the best blues band in Denver, The Delta Sonics. Following the party, we'll head to the Main Stage for a performance of *Million Dollar Quartet*, an unforgettable Lone Tree Arts Center musical theater production that recreates the night Elvis, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Carl Perkins jammed at Sun Records in Memphis.

Funds raised from this Gala directly benefit the diverse range of programming at the Lone Tree Arts Center, including signature Community Impact initiatives that change the lives of thousands of people of all ages and abilities each year.

Don't miss this opportunity to help us positively impact our community, while enjoying an unforgettable and entertaining evening! Scan the code below to purchase your tickets to both the Night in Memphis Gala and the performance of *Million Dollar Quartet*.



SCAN
HERE
FOR
TICKETS



2024 CONCRETE REPLACEMENT AND ASPHALT OVERLAY PROGRAM COMPLETED

The City's roads are well maintained, attractive, safe, and easily traveled due to effective road maintenance. Thousands of vehicles use roads in Lone Tree every day, and exposure to water, air, and sunlight can cause deterioration. This can lead to potholes, cracks, and decline in road quality.

Each year, Public Works consults its Roadway Condition Analysis to identify roads in Lone Tree in need of repair and/or maintenance to restore them to acceptable service-level pavement conditions to sustain a high-quality roadway network. The appropriate strategy selected for each street is determined based on several factors including traffic volumes, the remaining structural life of the pavement and types and severity of the distresses present.

This year, Public Works introduced the use of stone matrix asphalt on the work being performed on Lincoln Avenue. This type of asphalt is ideal for high-volume roadways, in some cases offering twice the life expectancy of traditional asphalt.

The following roadways were completed this summer as part of the 2024 Concrete Replacement and Asphalt Overlay program:

Indian Wells Drive

Roadway south of La Quinta Drive, to include all cul-de-sacs.

La Quinta Drive

Roadway from Ptarmigan Trail to Lone Tree Parkway, to include all cul-de-sacs.

Ptarmigan Trail

Roadway from Timberline Drive to Lone Tree Parkway.

Parkway Drive

Roadway from Yosemite Street to business access point.

Lincoln Avenue

Roadway east of Lioness Way to east of 1st Street.

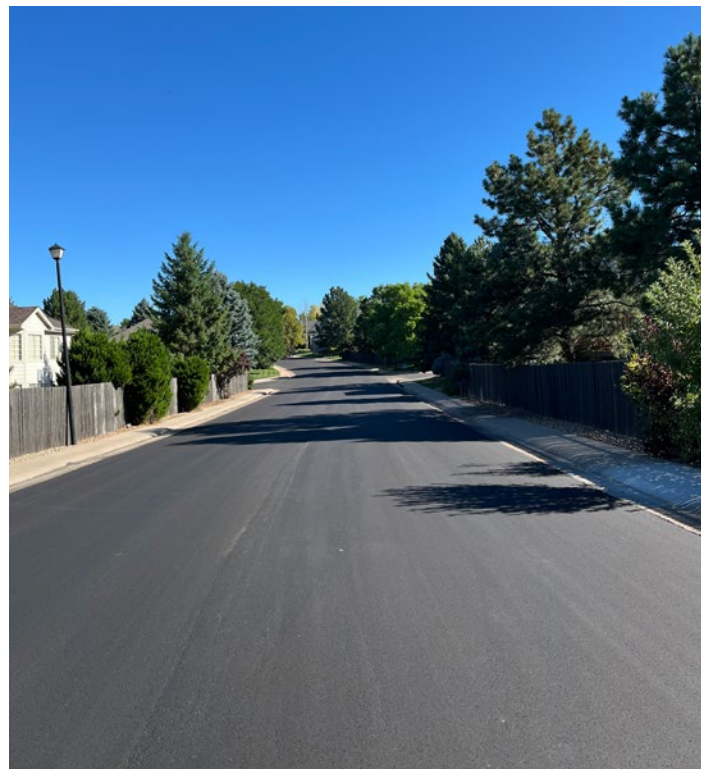
1st Street

Roadway south of Lincoln Avenue.

Trainstation Circle

Roadwork focused on crosswalk areas only.

For more information on the 2024 Concrete Replacement and Asphalt Overlay program, please email Eric Barnes, Field Inspector, at eric.barnes@cityoflonetree.com ♦



2024 BRICK WALLS ANALYSIS PROJECT UNDERWAY



Brick walls are a key feature of the Lone Tree community, contributing to its character and charm of several neighborhoods. Over the last several years, the City has continued to evaluate maintenance needs on a case-by-case basis, prioritizing structural repairs over aesthetic repairs for the 1,422 panels of city-owned brick walls that exist in the City today.

The City's initial work on brick walls dates to 2001 when it began replacing deteriorating wood fences with brick walls. The City took on the responsibility for the construction and maintenance of these walls while property owners adjacent to the new walls signed easements with the City.

In 2021, the City partnered with Park Meadows Metropolitan District (PMMD) and their consultant Atkinson-Noland & Associates, Inc. (ANA) to conduct a study of the condition of the brick walls. Each panel was graded and assessed for distress, structural integrity, and visual degradation. Based upon continued deterioration of the panels and the high percentage of damaged panels with cracks, the recommendation of the report was to review options for replacement of the wall panels. The 2021 study, along with an interactive map detailing each individual panel in each neighborhood, can be found on the city's website at cityoflonetree.com/brickwalls.

This year, the City Council and PMMD approved funding for the 2024 Brick Wall Analysis project that will build upon the results of the 2021 Study to plan for future replacement of brick walls in the city. To address future replacement, the analysis will review and receive community feedback based upon several factors including maintenance costs, wall types, phasing plans, and initial design concepts. Once complete, the City and PMMD will focus on survey and final design work as the next step in this process.

The 2024 Brick Walls Analysis project kicked off this past July and is anticipated to be completed in the spring 2025. For more information on the project, please visit cityoflonetree.com or email brickwalls@cityoflonetree.com ♦



LONE TREE'S DRAFT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, "ELEVATED" MOVES FORWARD

The City of Lone Tree's work to update its Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Code is in the final stages of the plan's development, based on citizen input received from community workshops held earlier this year, and after careful review by the Lone Tree Elevated Steering Committee.

Lone Tree Elevated is a comprehensive planning and community-led initiative dedicated to guiding future growth and development of the City of Lone Tree through 2045 by creating a dynamic new Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Code. The purpose of the plan is to provide the guidance necessary for City Council and boards and commissions to make informed decisions to balance development goals with protecting the high quality of life for residents. The Plan will outline goals and objectives for topics including land use, transportation, parks and open space, infrastructure, housing, economic development, the natural environment, and other topics that could influence the city's growth and development. As a reminder, Lone Tree Elevated is a two-phase project. The first phase involves developing the comprehensive plan, which will be followed by a thorough update of the City's Land Development Code. The City's most recent Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 2019.

The draft Comprehensive Plan is expected to be released for public review this fall, followed by City Council consideration of approval. Residents can access the draft and provide feedback at lonetreeelevated.com. Make sure to sign up for the digital mailing list to receive notifications on when the draft is available! Additionally, the interactive map and discussion forum remains active on the website for ongoing feedback.

The City extends our sincere thanks to all the residents, stakeholders, and staff who have contributed their time and effort to this important project. For more information, visit lonetreeelevated.com or email Senior Long-Range Planner, Ian Corder at ian.corder@cityoflonetree.com ♦

CONCEPTUAL DESIGNS FOR CITY'S NEW JUSTICE CENTER AND PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY TAKE SHAPE

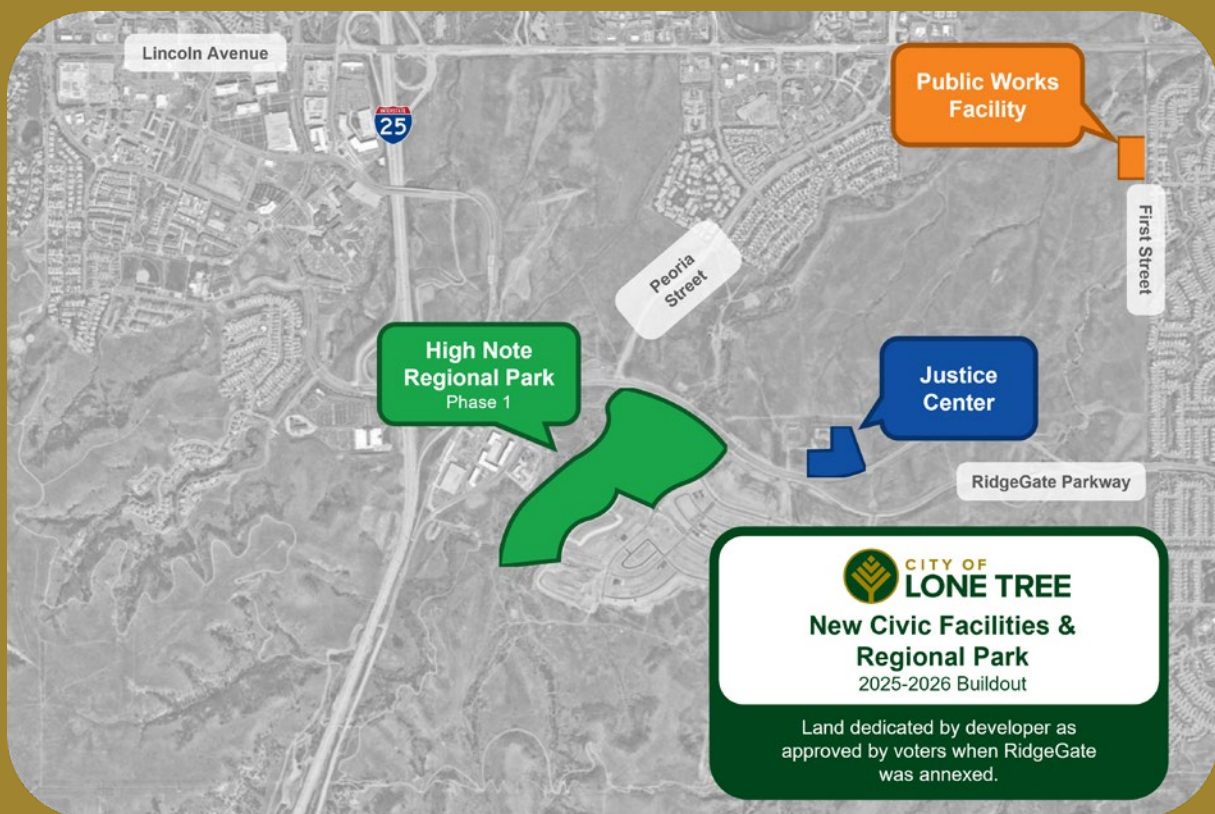
The City of Lone Tree continues to embark on two significant capital projects of its own with the construction of a new Justice Center and Public Works Operations facility. The new Justice Center will house both the Police Department and the Municipal Court, which is relocating from the civic center located in a residential neighborhood to a more suitable location. The new facilities will provide ample space to support current and future staff, accommodate growth, and enable the City to deliver high quality services.

Detailed planning for the new facilities began in January 2024 when the City hired a project management firm to oversee the design and construction of each facility. Since then, staff has been collaborating closely with the firm to ensure the designs for the new facilities meet the city's expanding needs. Both facilities will be located on the land donated to the City by Coventry Development as part of the RidgeGate development. This land, situated on the east side of I-25, will host the new Justice Center, Public Works Operations facility, and be home to the future High Note Regional Park.

Funding for construction of both facilities (as well as an anticipated minor remodel to the municipal building) is estimated to cost \$50 million. Construction will be financed through the city's issuance of Certificates of Participation (COPs), which are planned to be paid off over 20 years based on the city's current revenue streams and reserves.

The conceptual design process for both the Justice Center and Public Works Operations facility will continue in 2024 and 2025, with City Council approval of both project's Site Improvement Plan (SIP) required before construction can begin. Groundbreaking is planned for summer 2025, with construction expected to be completed on both facilities in 2026.

Watch for updates on both projects in a future edition of the Timberlines Magazine or visit cityoflonetree.com/projects/public-works-facility/ cityoflonetree.com/projects/justice-center/ ♦



CITY COUNCIL ACCEPTS 2023 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT

At the June 18, 2024, City Council meeting, the City Council unanimously accepted the 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) as recommended by the city's audit committee. The ACFR outlines the City's financial position and results of operations, as well as certain demographic and statistical information. Complying with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, the report provides valuable insights into the City's financial condition.



The 2023 ACFR was audited by an independent licensed accounting firm, Haynie and Company, before being accepted by the City Council and published to the public, as required by State law.

Highlights of the 2023 ACFR include:

- Assets exceeded liabilities by \$215,904,479 at the close of the fiscal year (74% Investments in Capital Assets)
- City's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$58,228,564
- Sales and use tax revenue increased by \$947,000 as compared to the prior year
- No audit adjustments or internal control deficiencies were found

For the last 18 years, the City has been awarded the Government Finance Officer Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. The Certificate of Achievements a national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for the preparation of state and local government financial reports.

The 2023 ACFR has been published by the City's Finance Department and can be accessed online at cityoflonetree.com/departments/finance/ ♦

CITY ISSUED RFP FOR TRASH AND RECYCLING SERVICES FOR ALL SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES

One of the advantages of living in Lone Tree is the complimentary trash and recycling services provided to all single-family homes (attached and detached). Trash is picked up once a week and recycling service is picked up every two weeks. These services are provided by the city's contract with Waste Connections (formerly Pro Disposal). By providing a single contractor for these services the City is able to support streamline operations, cost savings and more consistent service delivery throughout the City. Additionally, one trash contractor reduces the volume of heavy trash trucks on residential streets, contributing to a more efficient and less disruptive waste collection service in your neighborhood.

In March 2025, the City's current trash and recycling contract with Waste Connections will expire, so the Public Works Department issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) in August 2024 seeking qualified companies to submit proposals for residential trash and recycling services. The overall goal of the City is to determine the most cost-effective and efficient way to manage trash and recycling services, while maintaining high-level quality service for residents. Once a vendor proposal has been selected, the contract will require City Council approval, with implementation beginning April 1, 2025.

Stay tuned for updates on the City's contractor selection process for trash and recycling services, which will be announced later this fall. For more information, reach out to Director of Public Works, Justin Schmitz at Justin.schmitz@cityoflonetree.com. ♦



HIGH NOTE REGIONAL PARK

COLORADO'S NEXT SIGNATURE PUBLIC SPACE

Phase One Timeline Moves Forward

Lone Tree and South Suburban's High Note Regional Park, located along Happy Canyon Creek near I-25 and RidgeGate Parkway and accessible from the RidgeGate light rail station, is set to make a significant leap forward with the launch of its phase one development. This initial phase marks the beginning of an ambitious plan by the City of Lone Tree and South Suburban Parks and Recreation District (SSPRD) to transform 80-acres into a regional destination that will create a new central gathering place in north-central Douglas County. "We're thrilled to be working with South Suburban as we advance the development of a truly unique park in Lone Tree," said Mayor Marissa Harmon. "As surrounding development and construction progresses, we're ready to start phase one of this generational project. Our aim is to make High Note Regional Park a special place for the Lone Tree community and the entire county."

The Vision

Proactive master planning by the City and South Suburban for the regional park started in 2020 when Shea Homes began developing the RidgeGate Southwest Village neighborhood, known as Lyric. Because this would be the largest park in Lone Tree, emphasis was placed on defining regional elements that would not be suitable for smaller community or neighborhood parks.

As part of the initial visioning process to create a signature regional park for everyone, City and board leaders identified shared goals for the design of High Note Regional Park:

- Incorporate principles of the 2017 SSPRD Master Plan: Quality First, Enrich Wellness, Connect to Nature and Lead Sustainability
- Offer community access to the natural environment
- Protect a diverse riparian habitat
- Be environmentally friendly with stormwater management
- Provide active and passive recreation that is inclusive to all ages
- Ensure connection to regional parks and trails
- Accommodate vibrant community events throughout the year
- Partner with public, private and non-profit organizations to enhance access
- Take advantage of transit access

"This partnership emphasizes our commitment to providing more health and wellness opportunities for our residents," said South Suburban Board Chair



Pam Eller. "Together with the City of Lone Tree, we are creating a new community that includes recreation amenities at the core of the development, rather than retrofitting a park, playground or athletic fields after the fact. Phase one of construction marks the exciting first step in making this regional park vision a reality."

The Site Plan

The initial concept plan for the park was developed in 2021 and was updated based on community feedback in the spring 2024. The project includes signature elements not currently found in the area, including a large festival terrace, amphitheater, and a signature accessible playground. The site plan also introduces a restaurant pad site, and a distinct promenade called "The Braid," which runs the length of the park offering diverse recreational opportunities and blending seamlessly with the natural landscape. Other features of the park include pickleball and basketball courts, multi-purpose fields, fitness stairs, cornhole, hammocks, ping pong, musical instruments, fire pits, public art, a dog park and food truck area.

Phase One Elements

In July 2024, the Lone Tree City Council had a joint meeting with the SSPRD Board to discuss the development of High Note Regional Park and advance the first phase of the project. Given the park's scale and proposed site plan elements, it will be developed in phases and as funding and partners become available. Phase one will focus on building core areas on the south and north sides of the park, which will facilitate future expansion. This phase will provide high-quality public spaces that are not currently available in Lone Tree and include features on both the north and south sides of High Note Avenue.

Phase One South Side

- Festival Terrace, with the ability to host events, farmers markets and other community gatherings
- Signature water feature/splash pad
- Food truck area

- Amphitheater lawn, with the ability to bring in temporary stage structures until a permanent one is built
- Preparing the restaurant pad site to be developed as soon as a private partner has been selected
- Core activity rooms in The Braid Promenade, including play structures, games, and gathering areas
- Pavilion structures
- Part of the south parking lot, plumbed restrooms, shade structures, and other basic elements
- Trail connection to the Happy Canyon Regional Trail

Funding and Timeline

The City of Lone Tree and SSPRD are finalizing funding agreements to move the project forward, including securing additional funding partners and grant opportunities. Construction is expected to begin in 2025, with phase one anticipated to be open to the public in 2026. Phase one is estimated to cost around \$32 million, with \$22 million already financially committed by the City of Lone Tree and SSPRD. In addition to pursuing additional grant opportunities, the City is awaiting a decision from Douglas County for an additional request through a funding application to the county's parks, trails, historic resources, and open space fund.

"Securing additional funding partners is crucial for bringing High Note Regional Park to life," said Assistant City Manager Austin Good. "We're excited to bring this signature park to Lone Tree that will benefit our community, county and region for generations to come."

For more information about the project, including reviewing the site plan and phase one elements for the park, visit cityoflonetree.com/regionalpark. Questions can be directed to Assistant City Manager Austin Good at austin.good@cityoflonetree.com ♦

Phase One North Side

- Two lit, synthetic, multipurpose fields
- An interim dog park, to be relocated to the south side of the park in a future phase
- Part of the north parking lot, restrooms, shade structures, and other basic elements
- Maintenance & storage building
- Trail connection to the Happy Canyon Regional Trail



Participate in Community Site Walks

Join City of Lone Tree staff for a community site walk of the project. Come learn about High Note Regional Park and give input on the project.

To register for a site walk, visit cityoflonetree.com/regionalpark/



HIGH NOTE REGIONAL PARK
JULY 1, 2024
PHASE 1 SITE PLAN



2024 BROADBAND, FIBER, 5G ANALYSIS PROJECT



Broadband internet and cellular are critical services that impact quality of life. As part of the City of Lone Tree's commitment to maintaining high standards for the built environment and a continued focus on innovative practices, the City has prioritized a Broadband, Fiber, and 5G Analysis project for 2024. The analysis will help the City thoroughly understand the current state and needs of these services and provide recommendations for enhancing these services in Lone Tree.

In 2024, the City of Lone Tree hired Bonfire— a Denver-based firm that specializes in telecommunications – to conduct the Broadband, Fiber, and 5G Analysis. The analysis will provide a comprehensive framework of the community's broadband, City fiber, and 5G service landscape. Specifically, the City is seeking the following information from Bonfire for each category:

Broadband

- Local broadband market analysis
- Recommendation for broadband strategies
- Cost analysis

City Fiber (e.g. City's traffic signal system)

- Comprehensive inventory of the existing fiber network
- Fiber growth plan
- Shared network plan

5G Cellular

- Existing cellular coverage analysis
- Proposed locations and strategies for future macro towers
- General cellular implementation plan or guide

To kick-off the analysis, the City conducted an online survey, from early May to mid-July, to gauge the community's current internet speeds and satisfaction of services. Thank you to all the businesses and residents who took part in the community broadband survey and internet speed test. While the survey has closed, your feedback is always welcome.

If you have more to share about Lone Tree's broadband needs, please reach out to the project team at broadband@cityoflonetree.com. The project is anticipated to be completed by December 2024. ♦

DIRT MOVING ON THE C-470 TRAIL CONNECTOR TO IMPROVE CONNECTIONS AND SAFETY



The C-470 Trail Connector project officially broke ground in August 2024 with the goal of enhancing connectivity and safety for cyclists and pedestrians. This project will create a seamless link between the C-470 Regional Trail, Regional Transportation District's (RTD) County Line and Park Meadows Retail Resort light rail stations, as well as Park Meadows Retail Resort, making biking and walking a more appealing alternative for residents and visitors.

The project includes construction of a high ease-of-use, grade-separated bikeway that will greatly improve access to regional transit, major employment centers and retail destinations. This trail connector aims to foster economic and job growth, alleviate traffic congestion, and enhance air quality, encourage more cyclists and pedestrians to abandon their single-occupancy vehicles in favor of a healthier, more active lifestyle.

Funding for the project was provided by the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Safer Main Streets program with additional contributions from the City of Lone Tree, Douglas County, Denver South, and Park Meadows Retail Resort.

Managed by the City of Lone Tree, the C-470 Trail Connector project is currently under active construction and is not yet open to the public. Pedestrians and cyclists using the C-470 Regional Trail should be aware that this is an active construction site, and it's crucial to avoid entering or cutting through the construction zone for safety reasons. The project is anticipated to be completed in the summer 2025.

Watch for updates on this project by visiting cityoflonetree.com or follow the City on social media. For more information, email Angela Hager, Senior Project Engineer at angela.hager@cityoflonetree.com ♦

NEW BRIDGE AND TRAIL INSTALLED FOR HAPPY CANYON CREEK

This summer, a new bridge and trail were installed near RidgeGate Parkway and Havana Street as part of a project to enhance Happy Canyon Creek. The project aims to stabilize the creek and accommodate the increased water flow resulting from the ongoing development in Southwest Village. The new bridge and trail are designed to connect residents of Southwest Village to an existing trail near Schweiger Ranch and other local trails. Please note that only part of the trail has been completed and it is not yet open to the public.



The restoration work will take place in multiple phases over the next few years, but the new bridge and trail were included in the first phase. Partners on the project include Mile High Flood District, Rampart Range Metro District, Coventry Development, and Merrick & Company.

For more information, visit lonetree.com ♦

LINK ON DEMAND SERVICE CELEBRATES 10 YEARS OF SERVICE

A major celebration is in order as one of Lone Tree's gems is commemorating a significant milestone in 2024. The Link on Demand Service, which revolutionized the first and last mile of transit and serves as a national model for a successful mobility demand program, marks its 10th anniversary this year. Over the past decade, the Link on Demand Service has played a pivotal role in providing critical connectivity for people and businesses in Lone Tree.



"The Link on Demand Service has proven its value in aligning with our City's core values of delivering a multimodal transportation system that is reliable, well maintained, safe, and accessible for all ages and abilities of people who live, work and visit our wonderful city," said Mayor Marissa Harmon. "We remain committed to continued collaboration with our local and regional partners and businesses to build upon the success of the service that's getting people where they need to go in our community."

The initial concept of a fixed-route circulator shuttle emerged when the Regional Transportation District's (RTD) launched the Southeast Light Rail line in 2006, introducing the County Line (Park Meadows) and Lincoln light rail stations in Lone Tree. The arrival of the new light rail line brought major employers and new development to the area, creating an opportunity for the City to address the "first and last mile" of transit for riders connecting to and from these light rail stations, ensuring a seamless travel experience.

Leveraging successful collaboration through public and private partnerships and with major employers, the City's circulator shuttle service was launched in 2014. The circulator service was a free shuttle and connected riders from both County Line and Lincoln light rail stations to Sky Ridge Medical Center, Charles Schwab campus, and Park Meadows Retail Resort. From September 2014 to May 2019, the circulator achieved 363,621 boardings.

"With the expansion of light rail in Lone Tree, the City recognized the need for a viable transportation solution that would initially connect riders from the transit stations to their places of work," said Seth Hoffman, City Manager. "We leveraged a circulator shuttle model

which helped drive economic development in our City with the attraction of several key companies and thousands of employees commuting to Lone Tree every day."

In 2016, RTD announced planning for its expansion of its Southeast Rail which was part of RTD's 2004 voter-approved FasTracks plan to expand transit across the Denver metro region. The extension expanded the E, F, and R lines 2.3 miles from Lincoln Station to RidgeGate Parkway. The project included three new transit stations in Lone Tree: a Kiss-n-Ride at Sky Ridge Avenue near Sky Ridge Medical Center, one at the future Lone Tree City Center, and a 1,300 space Park-n-Ride at RidgeGate Parkway. The extension also included construction of bridges over Lincoln Avenue; I-25; and RidgeGate Parkway. The project broke ground in 2016 and opened for service in May 2019. It was during this time the City began reassessing the existing circulator shuttle service and transit operations to enhance the efficiency of travel. The focus shifted to a mobility demand program, designed to better meet users' needs and behaviors, making journeys quicker and easier for riders.

"We realize the circulator shuttles were not as a flexible, fuel efficient and a convenient way to travel within and around Lone Tree," added Hoffman. "Shifting to an on-demand service allows us to better meet the evolving needs of users by offering a more flexible and efficient transportation solution that adapts to real-time consumer demand."

Transitioning from a traditional circulator shuttle with a set schedule and pick up spots to an on-demand transit program has been a significant step forward for the City. Today, the Link circulator shuttle has a new name – Link on Demand Service and has evolved as a turn-

key service managed by its vendor, Via. The service can be accessed via website, or a mobile application and a call center is made available to ensure the service is accessible to everyone. Riders can expect to be picked up at their requested location in branded, wheelchair accessible, family-friendly vehicles driven by professional drivers.

This year, the Link on Demand Service expanded beyond Lone Tree boundaries and is now providing service in the Meridian North and South business parks. The Link on Demand Service is funded by the City of Lone Tree, Douglas County, Denver South and RTD. In August 2024, RTD announced funding support of the Link on Demand Service for 2026 and 2027 as part of its Partnership program to help communities meet local mobility needs.

“The Link has proven to be an invaluable community resource for facilitating travel across our City and beyond

and providing seamless connections between transit, employment, retail, and recreational opportunities and amenities,” added Harmon. “The service has not only helped reduce the number of single occupancy vehicles on our roads, but also provides essential access for those without their own transportation.”

Since 2020, The Link on Demand Service has steadily expanded and is expected to continue growing in the coming months and years. The City continues work to increase access and overall ridership, expand the Link’s service area, and plan for the city’s future growth on the east side of I-25, with the development of RidgeGate East, and the Lone Tree City Center. Recently, the service increased its fleet to improve coverage and maintain high-quality service. As a result, more people are using the service daily, drawn by the convenient, efficient, and exceptional travel experience it offers. ♦

Link on Demand - Service History



To access Lone Tree’s free, Link on Demand Service, simply download the Link on Demand app, sign up for an account and book your ride. Riders can also book over the phone by calling the Link on Demand Dispatch Center at 719-212-2430 or visit cityoflonetree.com/link-on-demand/

The Link on Demand Service operates the following days and times:

Monday—Thursday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Friday, 7 a.m to 10 p.m.

Saturday, 10 a.m to 10 p.m.

Sunday, No service.



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