



# Mayor's Matters

JANUARY 2012

## Greetings!

Mayor's Matters is your monthly connection to learn about the great things happening in the City of Wheat Ridge! I encourage you to share this newsletter with any friends or family who may wish to know more about Wheat Ridge. Feel free to forward this newsletter on to others.

*Mayor Jerry DiTullio*



## Elected Officials Appointed to Outside Agencies



City Officials were appointed to the following Outside Agencies at the January, 9<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting:

## As An Aside:

**YOUNG ADULT JOB FAIR** – March 6, 2012, 1:30 – 5:30 p.m., young adults ages 14-21, at Jefferson County Fairgrounds, more [information here.](#)

**WRTV8 Live and On Demand Videos** – Regular City Council Meetings are available for viewing on WRTV8 or at the [City's web site.](#)

**Board and Commissions** – If you are interested in volunteering on a City Board or Commission, applications are being accepted for March, 2012 appointments. [Further Information available here.](#)

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- Colorado Municipal League (CML) – Council Member Davis Reinhart, with Council Member Bud Starker as Alternate
- DRCOG – Council Member Joyce Jay, with Council Member Bud Starker as Alternate
- Jefferson Economic Council – Council Member Davis Reinhart
- Jefferson County Housing Rehab Loan Committee – Council Member Joseph DeMott
- Jefferson County Wide Trans Committee – Council Member George Pond
- Police Seizure Fund – Council Member Mike Stites
- Jefferson County Corrections Board – City Clerk Janelle Shaver
- Community Development Block Grant Committee – Mayor DiTullio with Sally Payne, Community Development Senior Planner as Alternate

**Zoppe' Family Circus Coming to Wheat Ridge!**

*Will be signature Event for the 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Wheat Ridge Carnation Festival*



Reserve a date on your calendar to attend the Zoppe' Italian Circus at Anderson Park starting on August 17, 2012 through August 26, 2012. Discussions were held with the Carnation Festival Board to determine if the circus could be added to the Carnation Festival activities as its signature event. The Board unanimously voted to support the event and to work with the City to ensure its success.

The Zoppe' Circus was founded in 1842 in Venice, Italy by Napoleone Zoppe' and his wife Ermengilda. Napoleon's great-grandson, Alberto Zoppe' inherited the Circus almost 100 years later. The Zoppe's offer an "unapologetically authentic, one-ring circus where you will sit on wood-plank bleachers and enjoy the great traditions of circus."

The Circus is scheduled to present fifteen performances and tickets will be sold for \$15.00 each and coupons will be distributed to discount this price to \$10.00. Wheat Ridge is proud to be the 2012 Exclusive Sponsor the Zoppe' Italian Family Circus becoming the only City in the metro area presenting a theatrical circus of this kind.

If you are interested in being a business sponsor for this event, there are many levels of participation and some great benefits for your business. For more information on sponsorship please contact Cheri Jahn at [iris3580@comcast.net](mailto:iris3580@comcast.net) or Gina Hallisey at [gina@getconnectedevents.com](mailto:gina@getconnectedevents.com)

**Note from the Tax Department:** Tickets to the Zoppe' Family Circus in August are exempt from the four percent admissions tax because it is sponsored by the City and located on City property (Anderson Park). Tickets for rides and amusements at the Carnation Festival happening at the same time are also exempt from the admissions tax for the same reasons. All other sales of food, beverages and goods at the festival and the circus' featured authentic Italian marketplace are subject to the usual sales tax. Contact Kathy in Tax if you have questions – (303) 235-2825.

### Janelle Shaver Elected City Clerk



Congratulations to Janelle Shaver elected on December 13<sup>th</sup> in the City's first runoff election for City Clerk. As required by the City Charter, the positions of Clerk, Treasurer and Mayor are elected by a majority vote. A runoff election was called between Janelle Shaver and Maureen Keller, the candidates who received the highest number of votes out of the four contenders in the November election. Mrs. Shaver took her oath of office on December 19<sup>th</sup> and began her duties immediately.

## Citizen Police Academy

The Wheat Ridge Police Department is proud to announce that it will be hosting the next session of its Citizen Police Academy on March 7 and run through May 23, 2012. Learn first-hand about the inner-workings of the Wheat Ridge Police Department. Police and civilian personnel present lectures and demonstrations in order to give participants an understanding of the Department's mission and practices. If you live and/or work in the City of Wheat Ridge and are interested in the Citizen Police Academy visit the City's [web site](#).



## 38<sup>th</sup> AVENUE CORRIDOR PLAN

The City is moving forward with key recommendations in the 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue Corridor Plan. One major implementation step is restriping the street into a three-lane section—often referred to as a “road diet.” Between Upham and Depew Streets, the road will be restriped so that there is one thru-lane in each direction and one continuous center turn lane. For further implementation plans follow this [link](#).

## For more information

If you would like more information about the Mayor's Matters e-newsletter, please feel free to contact Heather Geyer, Administrative Services Director, at 303-235-2826 or via e-mail at: [hgeyer@ci.wheatridge.co.us](mailto:hgeyer@ci.wheatridge.co.us).