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**Sent:** Friday, October 18, 2024 3:09 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G; allCouncil@springsgov.com

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa

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**Subject:** Cheyenne Mountain State Park Addition No. 1 and Rock Creek Mesa Addition No. 1-6 -

**Public Hearing Notification** 

**Attachments:** Rock Creek Mesa Addition No. 1 Annexation-Postcard 11.13.24.pdf

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**From:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Sent:** Friday, August 30, 2024 10:03 AM **Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal

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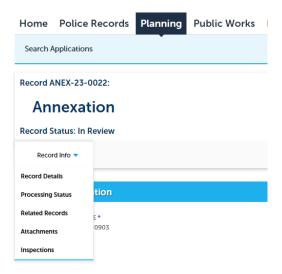
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Sent: Friday, August 30, 2024 10:01 AM

To: Felicia Grillo **Subject:** RE: update

#### Good Morning,

You will see a separate email as well for the standard language of the resubmittal, but I can update you here as well. They did resubmit for the latest review cycle yesterday. I still do not currently have a specific timeline for this project to go to public hearing. The applicant will still need to make sure all comments are addressed and the Annexation Agreement will need to be executed. Prior to City Council, the application has to be presented before Planning Commission. Another postcard and posters are required prior to that hearing as well as City Council. Along with the posters/postcards, the public hearing with City Council is required to be in the newspaper and I will also be sending out emails as I have been. Let me know if I can be of further assistance.



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**From:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Sent:** Friday, August 9, 2024 10:03 AM

To: Jason Alwine Subject: Rock Creek Mesa

#### Hello Jason,

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Sent: Tuesday, August 6, 2024 7:50 AM

To: All Council - DL <allcouncil@coloradosprings.gov>; Yemi Mobolade <Yemi.Mobolade@coloradosprings.gov>

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**Sent:** Friday, July 12, 2024 3:00 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Re: Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal

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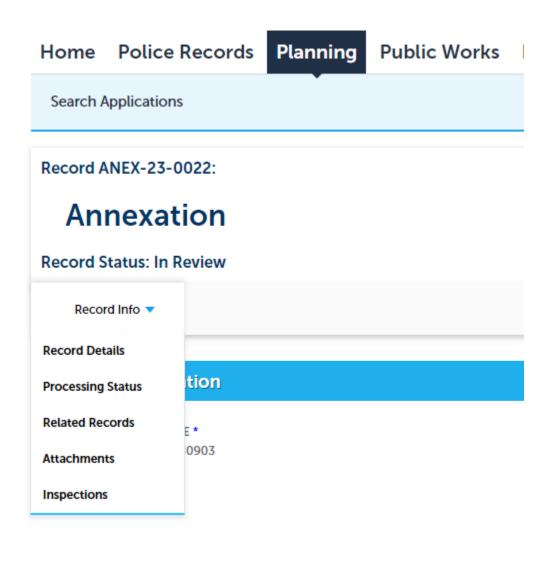
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**From:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Sent:** Friday, July 12, 2024 1:48 PM

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal

#### Hello,

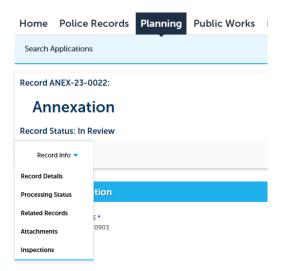
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From: Kathy Olson <kathy@rcmwd.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 15, 2024 6:46 AM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** FW: Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal

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From: G <super383@yahoo.com>
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To: Kathy Olson <kathy@rcmwd.com>

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#### Begin forwarded message:

From: "Sevigny, Gabe G" <Gabe.Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

Date: May 13, 2024 at 3:10:36 PM MDT

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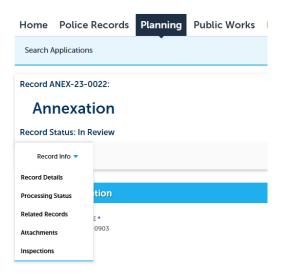
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**Sent:** Monday, May 13, 2024 3:11 PM **Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal

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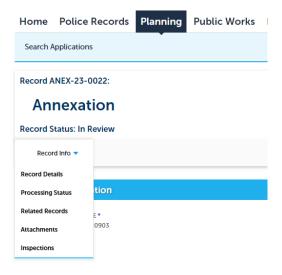
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From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Monday, April 15, 2024 11:23 AM

To: Felicia Grillo Subject: **RE**: questions

#### Hello,

Apologies for mis-understanding the question. If the question is only about the possibility of properties to be automatically annexed, then the answer is no, properties are not automatically annexed whether located in enclaves or not in enclaves. Each property owner would have to seek voluntary annexation. Hope that helps, but let me know if you need additional clarification.



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Actually, I was talking about the FUTURE inclusion map. It is available as it was included in the initial proposal for Rock Creek Metro.

Future inclusion properties are the developers' properties off of Cherokee and the single houses like mine that are not in the current proposal.

I'm looking past the current proposal and looking at the entire picture as documented in the Rock Creek Mesa District Plan presented to County Commissioners a few years back. Colorado Springs Utilities refers to it as a total build out of maybe 850 dwellings or so.

We can use a theoretical here if you prefer...

Do properties inside enclaves "automatically" get annexed into a/the district? I understand that houses outside districts can ask to be annexed, that is not what I'm asking. What are the requirements for automatic annexation that people have no choice in...I think it would be enclaves, but I need clarification.

Thank you as always,

Felicia

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From: Sevigny, Gabe G <Gabe.Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

Sent: Monday, April 15, 2024 8:17 AM

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**Subject:** RE: questions

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From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Monday, April 1, 2024 11:49 AM

To: Felicia Grillo **Subject:** RE: Update

#### Hello,

For this particular proposal, the work session has not been scheduled as of right now. I can advise when that will be scheduled, please advise if you would like the additional information.



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Ty Felicia

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Sent: Monday, April 1, 2024 10:54:23 AM

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Sent: Monday, April 1, 2024 11:01 AM

To: Felicia Grillo **Subject:** RE: Joint Land Use

#### Good Morning,

The planner does review all comments. There are currently no known violations and I have spoken to that, if you do have a specific violation you can bring forward and I can do further research, but at this time there are no known violations occurring.



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From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Monday, March 18, 2024 11:44 AM

To: Felicia Grillo **Subject:** RE: Update

#### Hello,

Apologies for the delay as the snow impacted the office being open. For this project I will be routing out the review this week. There are still pending comments that still require the applicant to correct/acknowledge/respond prior to any sort of public hearing process. I would say that the annexation process is currently being amended by City Council. I am trying to keep up with this as much as possible. I assure you that any public meeting will be relayed.

I do have a question for you, the CSFD Fire Marshal has been trying to reach out to the local Fire District. No response has been received, if you could provide me with a contact that I may have the City Fire Marshal meet, that could assist with resolving some of the concerns with regards to comments brought up in our last meeting. While I cannot require this, and you are under no obligation to assist, I wanted to reach out as you have kept a solid means of communication with myself, and I have been very grateful.

Let me know if I can be of further assistance.



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From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Friday, March 8, 2024 11:07 AM

To: Felicia Grillo **Subject:** RE: contiguity

#### Good Morning,

The additional application numbers of ANEX-24-0001 through ANEX-24-0007 is called a serial annexation. The first addition being the parks property was already required to be separated as it is not being transferred, sold, or conveyed, and as such will remain with the City of Colorado Springs and is not subject to any Annexation Agreement with the remaining property. The remaining additions at that time would then need to meet a contiguity of 25% for each addition. If you refer to the first page of each annexation plat there is a line segment that shows the total boundary of that annexation plat, and then the percentage of contiguity. This review cycle is not yet complete in order to verify that they currently meet, but the resubmitted applications propose that they would meet that standard. Hope that helps, feel free to call or email back if you have more questions.

Also, I did see the other email about the date. At this time, it is not determined when it would be scheduled. It is current review that may still be pending additional reviews. Planning Commission would be first and additional postcards/posters will be required and I will email my list. Additional notification is required for when scheduled for City Council. Hope that helps.



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Sent: Friday, March 8, 2024 9:43 AM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

**Subject:** contiguity

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Felicia

From: Sent: To: Subject:	Felicia Grillo <feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com> Friday, March 8, 2024 9:46 AM Sevigny, Gabe G Date</feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com>
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Hello again,	
When would this current submittal from Mr. Mientka go before city council?	
Thanks again,	

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**From:** Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 7:32 AM

To: Hope white Cc: Easton,Travis W.

**Subject:** RE: TOPS Property being Annexed?

#### Good Morning,

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----Original Message----

From: Hope white <ahopenow@comcast.net>

Sent: Monday, March 4, 2024 7:52 PM

To: Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov> Cc: Easton, Travis W. < Travis. Easton@coloradosprings.gov>

Subject: TOPS Property being Annexed?

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Hope White 1117 Milky Way Colorado Springs, CO 80905 719-338-0676 ahopenow@gmail.com

Sevigny, Gabe G From:

Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 7:03 AM

To: Geraldine Lowenherz

**Subject:** RE: parcel 6500000169 tops property

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Sent: Monday, March 4, 2024 1:14 PM

To: Sevigny, Gabe G <Gabe.Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

Subject: Fwd: parcel 6500000169 tops property

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From:	JMS <colodaisyduke@gmail.com></colodaisyduke@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, March 4, 2024 9:58 AM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Re: Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal

**Attachments:** image001.png

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Thank you for your response and explanation.

JMS - Mobile

On Mon, Mar 4, 2024, 8:30 AM Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov > wrote:

#### Good Morning,

Thank you for the email. I cannot speak to the communication of all members of the community. Those that have emailed have been placed on a list and I have kept those individuals in the loop for resubmittals and try to answer ongoing questions in regards to process. Any other questions outside my scope would be routed to either the applicant or applicable outside agency for response. For the question in regards to Tops property, since the property is not being sold, transferred, or conveyed to any other entity, there is not a requirement for such a vote. I understand there is misinformation on this topic, however, the area of Tops property will still be owned/maintained by the City of Colorado Springs. For the traffic comments, the applicant was required to submit the traffic study which suggests certain public improvements. That report has been reviewed by both City Traffic Engineering and CDOT. Please let me know if you have any additional questions.



#### **Gabe Sevigny**

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Regarding the annexation, if this section is TOPS land, is that supposed to be voted on by the community before it can be handed over to a private developer for profit?	
There are the other ongoing concerns of the traffic impact and emergency evacuation (fire and one egress), a stop light at the top of the hill (sounds like a good idea but I am pretty sure that will cause more issues with the big trucks have to stop and start at the top of a 7% grade when there is snow/ice). I know this is not the first time these issues have been brought up.	
I hope all affected community members in this area are kept informed moving forward in this process since not everyone is getting emails or postal mailers.	
Thank you,	

# Jennifer Shoemaker 719-314-9082 <a href="mailto:jmshoemaker82@gmail.com">jmshoemaker82@gmail.com</a>

----- Forwarded message -----

From: JOHN J M E RODNEY < mjrodney1@msn.com>

Date: Fri, Feb 23, 2024 at 1:57 PM

Subject: Fwd: Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal

To: colodaisyduke@gmail.com < colodaisyduke@gmail.com >

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Sevigny, Gabe G" < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov >

Date: February 22, 2024 at 4:50:08 PM MST

**Subject: Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal** 

Hello,

As a neighbor that has previously provided comments for this project, this email is to let you know that another submittal has been made. It is currently under review with a deadline for staff's comment letter of March 19, 2024. You can review the project at this link, <a href="https://aca-">https://aca-</a>

prod.accela.com/COSPRINGS/Cap/CapHome.aspx?module=Planning&TabName=Home

. Please note the extended timeline is due to a change to a serial annexation and allowing staff a full review cycle. As stated at the neighborhood meeting, there is a current requirement for the applicant to meet a 25% contiguity for the water ordinance as well as separating the area that is city owned by the parks department. The total number of additions is now 7. Each addition was updated with a new file number. Also please note, the area that is city owned is <u>not</u> being transferred to any developer and is to be continued to be owned by the City of Colorado Springs. Please also see a response to the neighborhood meeting attached.

You can search by using the following project numbers:

- Annexation ANEX-24-0001, ANEX-24-0002, ANEX-24-0003, ANEX-24-0004, ANEX-24-0005, ANEX-24-0006, ANEX-24-0007 (ANEX-23-0029 is the previous file number)
- Land Use Plan MAPN-23-0009
- Parkland Zone Change ZONE-23-0027 (not in review cycle as there are no further comments on this application)
- R-Flex Medium (West Side) Zone Change ZONE-23-0026
- R-Flex Medium (East Side) Zone Change ZONE-23-0030

When you enter the project number in the 'Record' search box, the next screen will have a drop down arrow for 'Record Info'. Click on the 'Attachments' tab to review documents (see below). There is a response letter in the submittal from neighbors.

If you have additional comments you can send to me, they will still be a part of the public record and forwarded to the applicant for them to review and address or acknowledge. This application is <u>not</u> currently being scheduled for public hearing. Another email along with future postcards and posters will be required prior to scheduling a public hearing with Planning Commission and/or City Council.

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j Jl <jessiejlangle@gmail.com>

Monday, March 4, 2024 9:33 AM

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From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Monday, March 4, 2024 8:34 AM

To: Charles D McMahon MD

**Subject:** RE: 6500000169

#### Hello,

Please refer to which law you are speaking for. If in regards to Tops property, a vote is not a requirement. That portion of property is not being sold, transferred, or conveyed. The City of Colorado Springs will continue to own/maintain that portion of the proposed annexation. Let me know if you have any additional questions.



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Subject: 6500000169

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Gabe,

It would behoove the city government to try to rekindle confidence in their management of our local government if they would follow the law concerning the annexation of parcel 6500000169.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Charles D McMahon MD

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From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Monday, March 4, 2024 8:31 AM

To: **JMS** 

**Subject:** RE: Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal

#### Good Morning,

Thank you for the email. I cannot speak to the communication of all members of the community. Those that have emailed have been placed on a list and I have kept those individuals in the loop for resubmittals and try to answer ongoing questions in regards to process. Any other questions outside my scope would be routed to either the applicant or applicable outside agency for response. For the question in regards to Tops property, since the property is not being sold, transferred, or conveyed to any other entity, there is not a requirement for such a vote. I understand there is misinformation on this topic, however, the area of Tops property will still be owned/maintained by the City of Colorado Springs. For the traffic comments, the applicant was required to submit the traffic study which suggests certain public improvements. That report has been reviewed by both City Traffic Engineering and CDOT. Please let me know if you have any additional questions.



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**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Annexation of parcel number 6500000169 TOPS property

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I am writing to oppose the annexation of parcel number 6500000169 TOPS property!

Tami Jameson

From: J I <jessicaquintna@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 3, 2024 7:53 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

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Sincerely Jessica quintana

**From:** j Jl <jessiejlangle@gmail.com> **Sent:** Sunday, March 3, 2024 7:52 PM

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**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Say no!

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Not only does this planning not include the people of that are involved, it will ruin our terrific park system by setting a bad precedent.

You all should be ashamed of yourselves knowing full well we don't have the water for this rampant over development. Be accountable.

From: Randi D <rldsparky@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 3, 2024 6:39 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

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We the citizens are supposed to have the vote on this. You are trying to develop property without our vote. A lawyer with no interest in this venture may be interested in what the parks and developers are trying to pull off without the us the citizens votes. For the integrity of this venture do this the right way

Thank You

From: Charles D McMahon MD <cmcmahon.mick@gmail.com>

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**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G **Subject:** 650000169

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Gabe,

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I oppose this action It's time for accountability in Colorado Springs

Kevin Rafferty 605 Gilcrest Rd 80906

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To: dav9361@msn.com

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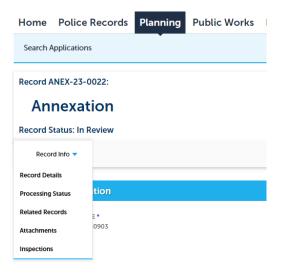
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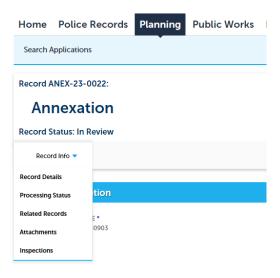
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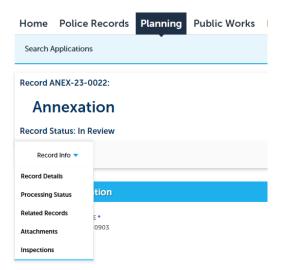
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**To:** Felicia Grillo

**Cc:** Hinkle, Shechinah; Barbara Nelson; Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** RE: Follow up

Hi Felicia, thanks for your email.

In fairness to Shechinah, she has been waiting on me. She did do everything she needed to, including reminding me of your email. I've simply been slow to get to emails (which is why I'm trying to catch up on a Friday night). So, that's my bad, not hers.

#### To your questions,

- I will get the input from the TOPS Chair. I do not know that off-hand. I do know that it is currently TOPs property owned by the city, but located in unincorporated El Paso County. If it's annexed, it will remain TOPS property owned by the city, but instead be located in Colorado Springs. So, it will remain TOPS property, just going from unincorporated El Paso county into the City.
- The citizens will certainly be able to voice their opinions, but putting it to a vote of the people is not part of the process. During our meeting, you may remember, we spoke quite a bit about the process. The processes in City Code are what must be followed. Gabe is simply doing what he is required to do in following that process. Happy to talk with you more about that, if you would like.

I'm sorry again for my slow response. Happy to jump on a call any time.

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I would like to know the status of that property from your department's perspective. What is the input from the TOPS chairman? Are you intending to allow the citizens to vote on the decision to annex this property from county to city?

Thank you, I look forward to hearing from you.

Felicia Grillo 719-650-7257

**From:** Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent:Friday, February 23, 2024 7:26 AMTo:Thelmaamezcua12@hotmail.comSubject:Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal

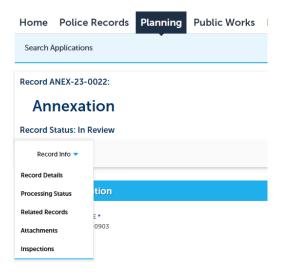
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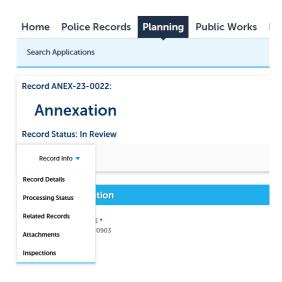
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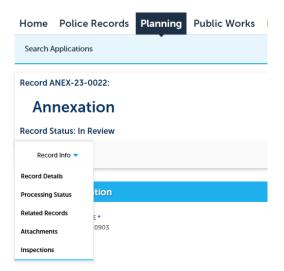
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Sent: Monday, February 19, 2024 5:08 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** ANEX-23-0029; ZONE 23-0026; ZONE 23-0027; ZONE 23-0030; MAPN-23-0009—Rock

Creek Mesa Annexation, Zone Changes and Land Use Plan

Attachments: CME letter to Gabe Sevigny re Rock Creek Annexation 2024.02.16.pdf

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Hello Mr. Sevigny. I am the attorney for Cheyenne Mountain Estates Mobile Home Park. Please see attached letter from the owner of the park indicating its support for the above referenced annexation application and related land use proposals. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your help. -david eisenstein

David G. Eisenstein, P.C.

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2672 North Park Drive, Suite 200

Lafayette, CO 80026

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From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Friday, February 16, 2024 8:50 AM

To: Felicia Grillo **Subject:** RE: clarification

#### Hello.

No worries about the sign off, but I do appreciate you as well. For the timing, I am not certain if that timeline works according to submittal cycles on our end. This week was a submittal cycle for resubmittals. There was an attempt for the resubmittal, however, there was additional communication from staff that the serial annexations are required to submit in separate application numbers as explained to you in the meeting. I am still not seeing that was completed, so it may be processed on the next submittal cycle of 2-28. That being said it would align with a possible Planning Commission of April if there are no further issues with the application, and the applicant has executed the annexation agreement and has been in front of Utilities Board. Hope that helps, let me know if I can provide additional information.



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Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2024 8:00 AM

To: Felicia Grillo

**Subject:** RE: TOPS w/ attachment

Thank you for the additional information. As parks and Tops are researching the matter, I will defer to them for a resolution. Once provided then I can share. Thanks again!



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**Sent:** Monday, January 29, 2024 12:28 PM **To:** Felicia Grillo < <a href="mailto:feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com">feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com</a>>

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To: Randall Ostebo **Subject:** RE: Hwy 115 Traffic

### Hello,

Thank you for the email. It is now a part of the permanent record to be both sent to the applicant and saved for future public hearings, ei, Planning Commission and City Council. Also, I will add your email to the list to notify of resubmittals and any public hearings scheduled in the future. The applicant will have an opportunity to review and respond. I do want to add that both City Traffic Engineering as well as CDOT are both outside agency review agency reviewing the submitted traffic study. Please let me know if you have any additional questions.



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Dear Gabe,

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From: Randall Ostebo <randyostebo@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 11:18 AM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G **Subject:** Hwy 115 Traffic

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**Sent:** Tuesday, January 30, 2024 10:03 AM

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Great, thank you so much!

**Felicia** 

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Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2024 8:46 AM

To: Felicia Grillo <feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com>; PRCS - TOPS Working Committee - SMB <PRCS-

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Good morning Ms. Grillo,

Thank you for your patience in my response to this email, as I was out of the office Thursday through this morning. This email has been received and forwarded to the TOPS Working Committee Chair, as well as Lonna!

Should you have any other questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach back out.

Thank you!

# Anna Bingman

Assistant to the Director Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services 1401 Recreation Way, C/S, CO 80905

Anna.Bingman@Coloradosprings.gov

719-385-6517 – Office 719-517-9120 – Mobile

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**Attachments:** Triangle Cheyenne Mountain State Park 200063515.pdf

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Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 4:12 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Fwd: Rock Creek Mesa Project

**Attachments:** image001.png

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#### Gabe

I am a resident of the Highlands of Turkey Canyon Ranch, and a neighbor of Mark McClurg. I agree with the points he made in the email below and submit them as my own for the record.

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I also have had discussions with our fire chief regarding responding to emergency calls within this new proposed development.

Apparently our fire district will receive little if any funding from the development but will be asked to respond to all the EMT and fire calls it might generate.

We have a very difficult challenge maintaining a quality EMT and fire response team for the area. It's been a struggle for years and gets more difficult every year. This will geometrically increase the challenges and costs.

Overall it seems like a project that creates a great deal of logistical challenge for our area.

Lastly, a traffic "study"was also prepared regarding the recently denied quarry project. The study apparently showed no material danger involved in adding roughly 800 40,000 pound truck travels a day on 115. For that reason I have very little confidence in the integrity of traffic studies. Oh, and finally, we only received the results of the traffic "study" after filing legal action to require it's disclosure. DOT eventually had to pay for the legal fees of the parties requesting the disclosure, after months of claiming no study had been performed.

Sorry to rant, but for all the objectivity supposedly built into these review processes, they seem frighteningly unobjective in their application.

Mark

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### **Gabe Sevigny**

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Gabe

I am writing to you as the President of the Highlands of Turkey Canon Ranch HOA. We are a bit south of the proposed Rock Creek Mesa project.

We have lived in the area for 22 years. During that time, a lot has changed, including the increasing density of traffic along Highway 115 as you approach Colorado Springs from the south. We have also had several neighbors and acquaintances killed on 115 during that period.

For anyone familiar with our area, it is easy to see that density has always been kept low and for good reason. Highway 115 carries an amazing amount of traffic at all times of the day and night. Most properties in the area have a few acres to several acres as part of their homestead.

I read about the proposed density for the Rock Creek project. I was frankly shocked. I know water can be delivered via CSU, even though water availability is a huge issue for everyone in that corridor. My disbelief is that anyone would propose and

further that anyone would consider approval of the kind of density that is proposed for this project.

The impact upon traffic and existing residents in the area will be significant, and will almost certainly come at a cost of life later if not sooner.

Frankly, it gets a little frustrating to watch what parties that have no long term vested interest in the area propose to create and then leave for the residents in the area to deal with indefinitely.

We have battled a proposed gravel quarry that would have disrupted every aspect of life for the existing residents. After years of fighting the concept, decision makers finally realized that it was totally inappropriate for the area.

I am all in favor of land owners being allowed to develop their land responsibly. I have developed projects in the past. However, sometimes someone has to pull back the camouflage for "owner rights" and realize that we all have a responsibility to propose and implement projects that make sense in light of the decades of development patterns in the area that have clearly evolved.

I'm not saying tell the developers "no", I'm saying tell them to look around and propose a project in line with what hundreds of

other property owners have jointly and responsibly participated in for the past fifty years. To allow this project to go forward as proposed will show a complete disregard for the nature of the area, and I mean that figuratively and literally.

Mark McClurg

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Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 8:01 AM

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**Subject:** RE: Rock Creek Mesa Project

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Unfortunately, our city officials operate under confirmation bias. We have seen time and again in meetings that they do in fact already have their bias and they vote on that bias.

"A man convinced against his will, is of the same opinion still"

Where does that leave us?

Residents are crying out all around the city and getting shut down and being told that they have fear of the unknown (Commissioner Nadine Hensler, source KRDO, Jan 10, 24). Thats just the most recent insult.

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One comment that has come up: residents couldn't hear very well. If there is another meeting, they would like a different venue.

**Felicia** 

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>> As for process, there is currently a request for an annexation, zone establishment, and land use plan. Each will require separate approvals, however, they are all heard at the same time. As mentioned during the meeting, there is still the requirement for an Annexation Agreement to be completed with the City prior to scheduling with Utilities Board. If Utilities Board recommends approval and there is a recommendation of approval from the Parks Board, and staff has determined the applications meet the criteria, then staff can schedule for public hearing with City Planning Commission. Please note, this will not be the same planning commission that has previously seen the project as that would be the County Planning Commission.

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>> If you need further clarification, we can schedule a 30 minute meeting to go over some more of the process for the applications to follow. If you want to provide some availability for next week I would greatly appreciate it. Note that Monday the office is closed. Also we can schedule in-person or remote using Teams, please let me know your preference.

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>> As I am sure you are well aware, the County of El Paso denied a development plan proposed by Mr. Mientka's
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**Sent:** Friday, January 12, 2024 12:44 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

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Thank you for your prompt and helpful response, and the offer to meet. I do not think we need to meet at this point in the process, but after we get more specifics about how traffic flows will be handled and the CDOT required improvements to Pawnee Road, a meeting might be more productive. Is there a computer link to allow me to study the Wildland Urban Interface Overlay?

You have a great weekend as well, and thanks again for your help.

All the Best!

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From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Thursday, January 11, 2024 10:00 AM

To: John Hartmann **Subject:** RE: Rock Creek Mesa

#### Hello,

This email is to serve as a verification that I have received your email and will add you to the list. Thank you in advance and please feel free to ask any questions throughout the process. Have a great day.



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From: Jason Alwine <jason\_alwine@matrixdesigngroup.com>

Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 3:11 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

Subject: FW: Rock Creek Mesa Neighborhood Correspondence FW: [EQUITY GROUP] Contacts

Form - new submission

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Gabe,

Please see below correspondence received from a Rock Creek resident. This was delivered to Equity Group directly but we felt it important for you to be aware.

#### Jason Alwine, PLA

**Director of Landscape Architecture- Colorado Springs**Matrix Design Group, Inc.

**O** 719.575.0100 | **D** 719.457.5628 | **C** 719.650.1292 jason.alwine@matrixdesigngroup.com

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From: Kelly Nelson <kelly@theequitygroup.net> Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 2:56 PM

To: Jason Alwine < jason alwine@matrixdesigngroup.com>

Subject: Rock Creek Mesa Neighborhood Correspondence FW: [EQUITY GROUP] Contacts Form - new submission

Regards,



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From: Gary and Teresa James < reply-to+5d3f7b02bce1@crm.wix.com>

**Date:** January 9, 2024 at 8:52:21 PM MST

To: Marketing < marketing@theequitygroup.net >

Subject: [EQUITY GROUP] Contacts Form - new submission

**Reply-To:** Gary and Teresa James < <u>0f70a134-0716-484c-8735-c271b7a2d516@crm.wix.com</u>>

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Name: Gary and Teresa James

Email: blackjackrider2003@yahoo.com

Subject: Fight

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**From:** Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 11:33 AM

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa Annexation

#### Hello,

Your emails have been received and are a part of the public record. As someone who has emailed, I will add you to a list serve that will update you on resubmittals and any future notifications for public hearing. That being said, There may not be time for the applicant to go over your questions prior to tonight's neighborhood meeting. I would recommend to bring such questions up for the applicant to respond to tonight. For some of the process I would recommend to review all the documents that are available for public view. The developer is not getting any park land, they are however, required to annex that portion of land in order to gain contiguity with a city boundary. This would benefit the City in the future, if the Parks department ever needs to complete upgrades to the City owned park land. Again the developer is not able to develop any of the City owned property. Also, there is a traffic study included online for your review to address those comments. City Fire and City Police are outside agencies for review. If annexed, the developer would have to seek exclusion from the local fire department and seek inclusion with the City Fire and Police departments for coverage. Lastly, CSU is also an outside agency for review for infrastructure.

There was a comment in regards to previous City Council decisions. Please note there my be confusion to any decisions that the Board of County Commissioners may have made previous decisions, Colorado Springs City Council has not made any previous approvals. The only action to date from City Council is an acceptance of the petition. An acceptance of a petition allows for the City Staff to have jurisdictional authority to review the entitlements, in this case, Annexation, Zone Establishment, and Land Use Plan. With Planning Commission being a recommendation body and City Council having final decision. Those meetings have not been held, nor are they scheduled at this time. The project is currently in review to meet criteria for an annexation, zone establishment, and land use plan.

I hope to see you tonight, please note that I will only be there to take notes and discuss process. This is a required meeting for the applicant, and they will be managing the meeting.



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From: Garry DYKES-MODLENS <garrydm@msn.com>

Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 6:33 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** comments on ANEX-23-0029; ZONE 23-0026 and ZONE-23-0027; MAPN-23-000

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Sir; My wife and I have the following to say about the above items.

The roadway infrastructure in our area would be taxed beyond it's current capacity to handle the increased population safely. There are only 2 <u>narrow</u> 2 lanes roads into and out of our area that connect directly onto SH115. Ready access there is often very restricted due to heavy car and esp. truck traffic. As an example, we had a small grass fire here about a year ago that caused a traffic blockade on our access roads that prevented anyone leaving or entering our housing areas for hours.

A traffic light has been proposed where our access roads (Piute Road and Pawnee Road) connect to SH115. These connect at the top of a steep hill from either direction. The first truck to stop there in a snow storm will block traffic for an extended period. The next one, right behind the first, will finish it for the day. I know that is an exaggeration but you must see my point. Now suppose there is a need for an emergency vehicle to get through. SH115 is an important artery between Colo. Spr and cities to the south. Concern for it's safe use is important.

We have only a small all volunteer fire department that would not be capable of handling a fire that could be generated by the large buildings proposed. As it is we are largely dependent on Ft. Carson for any kind of real fire here.

The above are our concerns for the safety of our lives here. Then there are the concerns for our quality of life. We moved out here deliberately to live out of the city. We knew the risks in volved in the fire safety and limited water supply of moving to this area and accept them. We knew that the water system here was maxed out. We are NOT HAPPY with being asked to approve development that will forever ruin the peace and quiet that we moved here to achieve and threatens our saftey. Matter of fact we vigorously object to development at anywhere near the level proposed. We are be very willing to accept development that conforms to the <u>current zoning</u>.

We are very concerned that once the city brings water and sewage out to our area it will force the current residents to attach to those systems. Many of us are retired and living on limited budgets. We fear that the connection fees will cripple us financially.

Garry & Sharon Dykes-Modlens 8340 Piute Road Colo, SPr. CO, 80926

From: Robin Smith <saltnpepperacres@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 4:42 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa Proposal

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Dear Mr. Sevigny,

I am submitting my questions and comments for the Neighborhood Meeting.

- 1. I am requesting the bill or sale or names of the State Park Officials that turned over or are allowing this developer to claim the 50 plus acers of State Owned Land (Co Government Lands-Coordinates 38.71753, -104.82886) to the North side of this Development. According to current records this land is owned by the State Park/Colorado Springs City. If this developer does not have this permission or documentation of this land sale, it should be removed from this development. Does the developer have the permission to claim this land for a park, considering it is already a park?
- 2. What was the last two dates the city held and voted on the Rock Creek Mesa Development Proposals and the names of the city counsel members that voted? What was the results of those votes?
- 3. If for safety reasons the Colorado Springs City Counsel voted that only single family homes were allowed to go into this proposed Development. Why would an annexation, which does not change safety concerns allow for the increase in housing density?
- 4. How will annexation affect our taxes?
- 5. Has the Developer reached out to Fountain Fort Carson District 8 to assess if the schools can handle the potential increase in students?
- 6. Has an environmental impact study been completed on this area of development?
- 7. Will the small country roads around this development will be widened and sidewalks added for safety?
- 8. Has the developer or city asked for a transportation survey on this area to determine fire egress and safety aspect while turning onto Hwy 115? If it has been done, I would appreciate a copy.

Robin Smith, RN BSN, School Nurse, Army Veteran Captain Joshua Smith, Retired Major U.S. Army, Transportation/Logistics

From: K Rawson < kltrain7@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, December 27, 2023 12:56 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Re: Rock Creek Mesa Annexation Proposal Neighborhood Meeting

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I cannot attend the meeting. I am opposed to annexing those county parcels to the city, they should remain county. This will be very taxing on our Fire Dept. Possibly adding a stop light at Hwy 115 and Pawnee will be very dangerous to all the truckers that use Hwy 115 daily. If you live off Hwy 115 common sense tells you this is a BAD idea. Do not approve this project.

Thank you, Kathie Rawson SW HWY 115 Resident

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On Fri, Dec 15, 2023 at 11:35 AM Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov > wrote:

Hello,

Please see attached for the postcard that will be going out in the next week or so and a copy of the poster that will be posted for this project. It is to notify of a neighborhood meeting for the proposed project for January 10, 2024. Please note, <u>no</u> decision will be made at this meeting, it is a meeting for the developer/applicant to discuss the proposal. Staff will be present at the meeting, but we will only be

there to discuss City processes and take notes, we will <u>not</u> be there to represent the developer/applicant. Please let me know if you have any questions.



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From: Felicia Grillo <feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com>

Sent: Friday, December 1, 2023 9:47 AM

To:Sevigny, Gabe GSubject:Re: Annexation Project

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Ok, great, thank you.

One more thing that maybe you can help with. Regarding the green card and the numbers: "A Land Use Plan illustrating 54 acres with a max density of 16 dwelling units per acre and 56 acres as parkland."

Looking at the El Paso County assessor's page: The park schedule number ending in 169, I think that's the one we have been talking about, is 53.72 acres.

Does the number 56 come around because Mientka will be adding 2 acres of parks? Thanks for clarifying.

Felicia

From: Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

Sent: Friday, December 1, 2023 8:06 AM

To: Felicia Grillo <feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com>

**Subject:** RE: Annexation Project

#### Good Morning,

I think they may be referring to the deadline for this review cycle. I will advise that we have discussed the neighborhood meeting and they will be now shooting for January because of the holidays coming up. Please let me know if you have any questions.



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Hi Gabe, a neighbor just messaged me saying that she had a date of Nov 30<sup>th</sup> for this project. I'm not sure what she is referring to. Is there anything on any agenda for today?

Thank you,

Felicia

From: Felicia Grillo <feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com>

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To: Sevigny, Gabe G **Subject:** Re: Rock Creek Mesa

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Subject: RE: Rock Creek Mesa

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**Sent:** Friday, November 17, 2023 12:17 PM

To: Sevigny, Gabe G <Gabe.Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

Subject: Rock Creek Mesa

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Thanks in advance for your input on this.

Felicia

From: Felicia Grillo <feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com> Sent: Friday, November 17, 2023 11:32 AM

To: Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Re: Rock Creek Mesa Annexation, Zone Changes, Land Use Plan

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Good Catch, apologies, ANEX-23-0029. I will send out the clarification.



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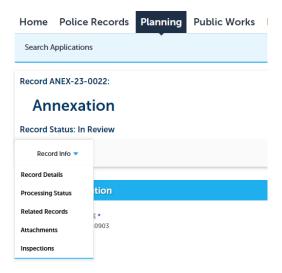
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Sent: Friday, November 17, 2023 11:31 AM

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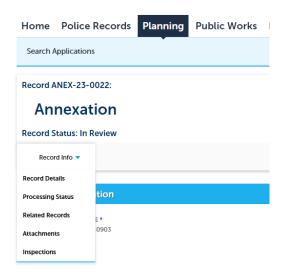
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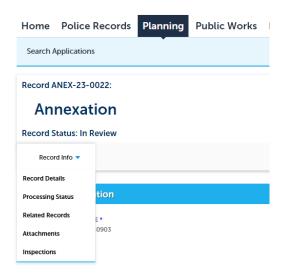
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Sent: Monday, October 23, 2023 7:44 AM

To: gary james

**Subject:** RE: Rock Creek Mesa expansion

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Sent: Sunday, October 22, 2023 11:27 AM

To: Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa expansion

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From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2023 8:42 AM

To: **Robin Smith** 

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**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

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From: Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov >

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Tuesday, October 17, 2023 3:21 PM Sent:

To: Felicia Grillo

**Subject:** RE: Rock Creek Mesa Addition No 1

That is correct, as an application for annexation, City Council would be the final action in this proposal.



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Tuesday, October 17, 2023 7:58 AM Sent:

Felicia Grillo To: RE: Olson Subject:

#### Hello,

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To: Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

Subject: Olson

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From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 7:30 AM

To: Dwight

**Subject:** RE: Rock Creek Mesa addition 1

#### Hello,

Thank you for the email and it is a part of the public record. It will be forwarded to the applicant for their opportunity to respond or acknowledge. Also, I will add your email to the list for future communication of resubmittals, neighbor meetings, or public meetings. Please note that I am not representing the applicant. This is private property that may apply and with the applications, staff will review for compliance with criteria of approval for an annexation, 2 zone changes, and a land use plan. Outside agencies include, but not limited to, Fire, Traffic, Stormwater, Engineering, Police, CSU, Parks. At this time the City does not measure, nor do we require an evaluation of 'evacuation time' as it is noted that both Traffic and Fire are review agencies in terms of roadway capacity and emergency response. This is only the first review, and staff has determined that if/when a resubmittal is made, a neighborhood meeting will be required. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance in the meantime.



## Gabe Sevigny **Planning Supervisor**

Land Use Review Division City of Colorado Springs Office: (719) 385-5088

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From: Dwight <caminosixnine@msn.com> Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2023 10:51 AM

To: Sevigny, Gabe G <Gabe.Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>; Dwight <caminosixnine@msn.com>

Subject: Rock Creek Mesa addition 1

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from; Dwight Olson

650 Rock Creek Mesa Road

I am totally against this "addition" as this area can not handle this huge population explosion. We have lived here since 1994 and had two wildfire evacuations. Both were only for upper Rock Creek Mesa and did not include the trailer park. We have only one way out of here, in an emergency, to Hwy 115 and then can only go

north or south. Look at the photo in the Denver Post dated 22 September 2023, (page A7) of the wildfire on Maui, Hawaii. I have to believe this is what the "big" one up here will look like. Only worse here because they had water to escape to, we have no escape. Increase the population and it will be impossible for us to escape and emergency vehicles will not be able to access the area. It seems that if this project goes through we do not have a chance of survival, those closer to the highway might make it but we will be forced to escape on foot. Way too many people! The other article of interest is the "Kettle Creek North development" in the Gazette dated 27 July 2023 (pageA1) I do not know the roads in that area but I believe they have more directions to go then we do, as we only have the one escape route. I believe this would be a terrible mistake for this area. It is already a challenge to get onto Hwy 115 and drive north, add a couple hundred more cars and it should become a true hazard (especially with the big truck traffic).

Sincerely,

Dwight Olson 650 Rock Creek Mesa Road Colorado Springs, CO 80926 719 527 2598 caminosixnine@msn.com

From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 7:24 AM

To: Valerie Stevens

**Subject:** RE: Mesa Neighborhood

#### Good Morning,

Would you be able to provide any more information? I assume the Rock Creek Mesa, if so there is not a neighborhood meeting scheduled at this time. IF/When there is a resubmittal, a neighborhood meeting will be required. In the meantime, the application documents are all available for public view at the link below with putting in the associated file numbers. The applicant contact information is also available if you wish to contact them for additional information. I do not represent the applicant and am review the applications for meeting criteria of approval for an annexation, 2 zone changes, and a land use plan. If you have specific questions to that, please let me know.



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From: Valerie Stevens <vstevens7575@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 14, 2023 5:45 PM

To: Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

Subject: Mesa Neighborhood

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I would like to know more about this

From: Joshua Smith <sasquach75@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 9:09 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa Addition No 1

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Mr. Gabe Sevigny,

I am a current resident of 235 Rock Creek Mesa Rd. I have concerns in reference to Pawnee road that turns into rock creek mesa Road. If the 16 dwellings per acre is planned to go along Rock Creek mesa road/Pawnee road there is a lack of infrastructure and services to incorporate the additional residences. The below comments are based on placing the dense residential expansion along Pawnee/Rock Creek Mesa Road.

Fire risk is my first concern with adding a large number of residents to this area with only one road to exit the area for the current residents that live on Rock creek mesa Road. Evacuation in the event of a wildfire would not be efficient and would put residence at high risk for injury or possibly loss of life if needed to evacuate quickly. Our current fire station is a small station that I would assume does not meet the needs of the additional residence and would need to be assed by the city to assure it would be within what is required for service response for the additional population.

The road infrastructure meets our current needs but will more than likely not be adequate for the increase of residents along the roadway. Is there a plan to build a secondary road to get residences in and out of the area. The intersection of Highway 115 and Pawnee road currently does not have a traffic light and would become a traffic hazard if the traffic is increased along Pawnee. Some type of mitigation would be required.

Schools would be the last question I have and which school district the new areas be in. We are currently in the Fountain/Fort Carson School district. Is Fort Carson's schools able to support adding that many more possible students to the K-6 and middle school. Were the effects on the local schools evaluated for this development. Thank you for your time.

Joshua J Smith

From: Robin Smith <honeyjay333@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 8:05 PM
To: Sevigny, Gabe G; Sevigny, Gabe G
Subject: Rock Creek Development Letter

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Dear Mr. Sevigny, October 16, 2023

Hi my name is Robin and I live on Rock Creek Mesa Road above the set project or sites. I have been trying to follow this development from the start and have noted a few major concerns. What was approved in counsel is not what is stated at this time. It is by far more houses and people than agreed on before. When I talked in the last meeting in front of the city council, my main concerns we're our fire danger. Not only do I feel that we would be the last getting off this mountain in an emergency, I feel my family and animals would be trapped. The current plan of 16 dwellings per acres was never a part of the deal and I really don't see how it can be, with single-family houses. And that is all that was proposed up here. No apartments, town houses or condos. Single family houses only.

I moved here to retire with my family and to have a quiet place where I could raise my kids and have a mini farm. I am the only one in Colorado Springs that has a vineyard. We have over 200 vines and I worry about water, air and light pollution and extra foot traffic near my house. I raise honeybees because they are in decline, and we all need bee's to pollinate. Thus, I worry about herbicides and the thought process going into the landscaping and trees. Which in some aspects could be a great positive if the park and landscaping was all bee friendly. I would ask that I be notified on any days were herbicides or pesticides are being used, my hives are registered, and I am supposed to be notified of the city spraying. Bee's are very expensive and I wish no one to kill them, especially when I can close them up for 24 hours or so. Light pollution is also very concerning because I can see the night sky here. Would love consideration of Flagstaff AZ light pollution lights if at all possible, or nights of no lights.

My 3<sup>rd</sup> concern is school districts. I work for a school and have some major concerns regarding the need for re-districting if this project is considered. One, Fort Carson while good schools should not be taking the risk of busing Non-military kids from off post to on post. I have experienced cases of parents not being able to get on post quickly enough when one of their students are sick or injured. I also feel as a retired military person that this is a huge security risk to the post. That just because you have a student that goes to a school on post shouldn't mean that parents have access to post. Which in turn is unsafe for the students. Ok, that's just with K-8 going to school on post. High School Students being bused for 40min back and forth is also not ok. I chose to have my child go to Cheyenne Mountain High School and we drive him to school every day, it takes us 15-20min. We chose this because he will soon be driving to school and we would be putting him at higher risk for a car accident as the drive from Pawnee to South Academy to Fountain HS is approximately 30-45mins every day. I know at least 4 parents in this area doing this as well. With fountain expanding and Cheyenne Mountain area not. Maybe Cheyenne Mountain District should be taking up the kids. Less risk to post, shorter distance for parents and students, decreasing the overall risk to students and parents. FYI, I do not work for this district, no favorite just logic.

While I don't feel we can support this major increase in houses and people I would really appreciate you looking into the school situation. Please look at it through a safety aspect, distance aspect and not Money and Politics. Please. If the project was all single-family houses, nice houses and more space I would be ok with the project. I love the idea of a park for our kids to all play in. I bet it's going to be far from us but a field to throw a football or court to play basketball would be absolutely amazing.

To me I would love to also consider the trailer park for buying and putting house on. They have continued to pollute our environment with their illegal sewage ponds that pollute our air and

ground. It smells horrible below, especially near Hwy 115 where it leaks onto the road. If you haven't been up to see (smell) our area I would implore you to have a smell and assess this major environmental hazard. I'm having a hard time believing anything is going to be built over and below their leach field.

Again, I am not against this project in full. I do feel there is an opportunity for a great project that will please most people and I am willing to help. I love planning actually. But our current risk far outweighs the current projected number of people and houses. Please consider better quality, more houses per acre single family houses. I would love to walk you around our area, email or talk in a constructive way.

Thank you for taking our emails.

Robin Smith RN, BSN

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**From:** g <super383@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 8:01 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa district number 1

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I would like to protest the building in rockcreekmesa District area.

I feel the zoning should say the F5. The Matrix Company should to build half acre lot like all the rest of the house here. I feel that they're over building for the area roads and the fire mitigation and evacuation.

Glenn Butts.

From: Brittney Potes <bri>Sent: Brittney Potes <br/>
Monday, October 16, 2023 5:21 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa Rezoning

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#### Mr. Sevigny,

I am a current resident in Rock Creek Mesa and am concerned about the impact that rezoning to accommodate townhomes and duplexes. Currently, there are only two ways to get in and out of the neighborhood. Both roads require a dangerous crossing of highway 115 with little visual to see cars coming up the highway at 70-80 mph. This crossing is a concern without the addition of twice the number of current homes on the Mesa. How is this issue going to be addressed if rezoning is granted? Also, i am concerned that my property is going to be swallowed into the city of Colorado Springs due to the size of the development. Many of the residents that live in Rock Creek Mesa choose to live outside of city limits. Due to greed and unlimited expansion the city believes that they can just keep absorbing rural communities. This brings us into city limits that we did not choose, as well as the taxes that go with them. Furthermore, fire insurance is nearly impossible to purchase in this community and this will become an even more difficult task with the high density of development that is being proposed.

At some point the city needs to stop swallowing these rural communities and focus on maintaining their city limits. Myself and other area residents are requesting a community meeting regarding the project.

Also, not all residents of area are receiving the mailers regarding the project.

Thank you for your time!
Brittney Potes
535 Rock Creek Mesa Rd
Colorado Springs, CO 80926

From: Shannon Porter < garden\_7@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 5:18 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

Subject:Rock Creek Mesa ProposalAttachments:Letter to Planning Dept..docx

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#### Good afternoon,

Please find attached my response to the proposal for annexation and development in Rock Creek Mesa. I would appreciate being added to any communication regarding this issue.

Thank you,

Shannon Porter 675 Rock Creek Mesa Rd Colorado Springs, CO 80926 719-602-0298

From: DAVID A YARBROUGH <dav9361@msn.com>

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 4:25 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Request for a neighborhood meeting with the developer on the development of the

Rock Creek Mesa area along Highway 115.

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Good Afternoon Mr. Sevigny,

I would like to request a formal meeting with the developer on the development of the Rock Creek Mesa area along Highway 115. The meeting is in regards to the annexation of 107.67 acres. Addition number 1 Annex-23-0026, zone 23-0027, MAPN-23-0009.

I believe that this should not occur due to the following information. I along with my wife Debbie have lived in this area for the past 31 years, and do own property in the area. During this time we have noticed that the roadways alone are not constructed to be able to deal with the increase in people, and vehicle traffic. The developer wants to build approximately 16 dwelling units per acre, and 56 acres as parkland. I believe that this would increase the amount of people living here by roughly 500, and that the amount of vehicles per two persons as two which would amount to 1000 more vehicles on the existing roadway infrastructure. The roadways could not handle this amount of traffic, and the congestion for trying to ingress or egress on Pawnee Road or Cherokee Drive would be nearly impossible, not to mention dangerous. If one were to try to exit or enter the Rock Creek Mesa Area at peak traffic times of traffic on Highway 115, 6 to 9 am, 11 to 100pm, and 3 to 6 Pm would be impossible. It would be dangerous, and cause traffic to back up into the residential areas that already exist.

If we have a wildfire situation which we have had to deal with in the past, and have to evacuate the area it would be total chaos, and possibly cause someone to lose their life. As a person who has had to evacuate our home in the past just because of a wildfire for 3 days it is not a good thing. It is especially hard not being allowed to go back to your home, and not knowing if you have a home to go back to. Plus the Emergency first responders would not be able to access the areas that they need to respond to for Fire Fighting causing delays, and possibly catastrophic consequences.

The developer has said that he would get the Colorado Department of Transportation to put up a traffic light on Highway 115 by either Pawnee Road or Cherokee Drive to help with traffic being able to enter, and exit the Rock Creek Mesa Area. It should be noted that this would not happen since the amount of Commercial Truck traffic that uses Highway 115 would not be able to stop or start again on the grade of the roadway in inclement weather snow etc.

Also lets address the increase in crime. If you have that many more people moving into a small area it will increase the amount of crime that occurs. If you annex this area now the Colorado Springs Police Department and Colorado Springs Fire Department have to respond to calls for service. The Police Department if I remember is already 75 officers short now. So any delays by these departments would be bad causing possible injuries of death.

The developer has also told us that we would be able to have access to city water, and sanitation for a tap fee. The tap fee that we were quoted was \$50,000 dollars. How many people do you know that have an extra \$50,000 dollars laying around not many I would guess! Plus to get the utilities out to the area means having to tear up the roadways, and disrupt the traffic flow! All of the development would also have a detrimental consequence on the native wildlife that have lived in this area for generations. It could cause us to loose some of the wildlife forever, Birds, Deer, Bear, Bobcats, Coyotes, Fox, Raccoon, Skunk and other native species.

All of us that live, and have lived here for any length of time have chosen this area for quality of life in a rural setting. The additional traffic, residents and noise will definitely affect us. Please take my request into consideration.

Respectfully Thank You David and Debbie Yarbrough 8360 Piute Road 8410 Piute Road

From: Felicia Grillo <feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 4:00 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G **Subject:** Letter of opposition

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Gabe,

If I understand this correctly, you are the one putting everything together and you are going to decide if Mr. Mientka has dotted his i's and crossed his t's and everything looks squared away to approve an annexation and additional rezone.

If I may, if you are to do due diligence, then I suggest you go back and watch all county commissioner meetings and review the city council vote regarding this original issue. The city council voted NO on the plan and it is because the lots are spot zoned, which is illegal. But because County Commissioners are not held accountable to do lawful things as a quasi judicial branch, they dismissed the planning committee's vote. That should be a RED flag to you as you work for planning.

Additionally, the county commissioners URGED Mr. Mientka to work with our community as they rezoned it from F-5 to RS-5000. That was already a stretch and they knew it! Mr. Mientka has not worked with us.

The new plans say that this community would be a continuation of the Broadmoor Bluffs. Gabe, there is a STATE PARK for miles between our community and Broadmoor Bluffs. I'm sure there is something in planning that states they cannot use that as a reason...what a grasp.

As of right now, I found multiple errors in the documents that are submitted. The acreage for the park are inaccurate and I believe the acreage for houses are inaccurate. I urge you to look at Matrix's numbers.

There has not been a fire evacuation study done for this area. We are WUI.

The traffic study is inaccurate.

The documents are misleading and it sound like Mr. Mientka is offering a 54 acre park, when the tax payers of Colorado Springs have paid for the Trails and Open Space Park. And, btw, I do have comments for the Colorado Springs Parks division as it appears there is favoritism to Mr. Mientka regarding the annexation of the park and how it appears to give him the leverage he needs to have his properties annexed.

When I talked with you about the green cards and how they didn't get to all the people, I thought you said we would have more time to comment. Then the cards came and the date was the same.

I have additional comments that I want to make on Thursday Oct 19<sup>th</sup> and I want to know if those comments will go on record and I want to know if you can use them in your determination.

I echo everyone 's sentiments about the density and extra cars, noise, theft, accidents on the highway...which by the way...the highway division has said that you can not have 2 stoplights within a one mile range...and that is what Matrix has stated they wanted-a stop light on Hwy 115 and Pawnee. That is something that CDOT will have to comment on, but its not safe nor appropriate. I would suggest a continuous lane OVER the highway and entering HWY 115 in the slower lane. IMO this would be the safest way to address that concern.

We do have the endangered Mexican Spotted Owl, I have documentation to support this. We do have the jumping mouse-threatened, he was in my backyard 2 weeks ago. We have several other animal issues to bring to your attention and we need continuation of time to bring these matters to your attention.

Colorado Revised Statutes state we existing homeowners have the right to be safe and the right to have our communities stay in an environment that protects are property values. I will follow up with an additional email with the C.R.S. that I am referring to-but as due diligence, you might look them up and see the rights we have. As a planner, we realize that you have to see if the developer has done what he needs to support his request-part of that is to see if the developer has violated rights of existing citizens and if he is causing harm to the environment.

Gabe, you have pressure coming down on you, and we all realize this is also political. We are not fools. We have been walked on and dismissed for years regarding the proposed development. We ask that integrity be first and foremost.

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Respectfully,

Felicia Grillo

From: Garry DYKES-MODLENS <garrydm@msn.com>

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 3:54 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** comments on ANEX-23-0029; ZONE 23-0026 and ZONE-23-0027; MAPN-23-0009

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Sir; My wife and I have the following to say about the above items.

The roadway infrastructure in our area would be taxed beyond it's current capacity to handle the increased population safely. There are only 2 <u>narrow</u> 2 lanes roads into and out of our area that connect directly onto SH115. Ready access there is often very restricted due to heavy car and esp. truck traffic. As an example, we had a small grass fire here about a year ago that caused a traffic blockade on our access roads that prevented anyone leaving or entering our housing areas for hours.

A traffic light has been proposed where our access roads (Piute Road and Pawnee Road) connect to SH115. These connect at the top of a steep hill from either direction. The first truck to stop there in a snow storm will block traffic for an extended period. The next one, right behind the first, will finish it for the day. I know that is an exaggeration but you must see my point. Now suppose there is a need for an emergency vehicle to get through. SH115 is an important artery between Colo. Spr and cities to the south. Concern for it's safe use is important.

We have only a small all volunteer fire department that would not be capable of handling a fire that could be generated by the large buildings proposed. As it is we are largely dependent on Ft. Carson for any kind of real fire here.

The above are our concerns for the safety of our lives here. Then there are the concerns for our quality of life. We moved out here deliberately to live out of the city. We knew the risks in volved in the fire safety and limited water supply of moving to this area and accept them. We knew that the water system here was maxed out. We are NOT HAPPY with being asked to approve development that will forever ruin the peace and quiet that we moved here to achieve and threatens our saftey. Matter of fact we vigorously object to development at anywhere near the level proposed. We are be very willing to accept development that conforms to the <u>current zoning</u>.

We are very concerned that once the city brings water and sewage out to our area it will force the current residents to attach to those systems. Many of us are retired and living on limited budgets. We fear that the connection fees will cripple us financially.

Garry & Sharon Dykes-Modlens 8340 Piute Road Colo. SPr. CO. 80926



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From: Felicia Grillo <feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 3:35 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Olson

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From: Kate Tangney-rogers <tangnk2@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 2:37 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

Subject: ANEX-23-0029 new development/annexation on Pine Oaks Road//Rock Creek Mesa

Addition No.1

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Dear Mr. Sevigny,

Last night at 8:30pm, I was informed through serendipity, as I was having dinner with someone who got an email from a neighbor Matt Barton. Evidently, the only person who received the notification of a postcard that was supposedly sent out was the newest member of our neighborhood. Matt Barton got a copy of the postcard from him last night.

Having lived here on Pine Oaks Lane for more that 26 years, you would think the city would know how to inform me of changes that are occurring on my street. I am deeply upset that the notification did not get to me.

From the notification and the research we have done online, mostly by Matt Barton, on your site, is at best confusing. The new, large right triangle "Site" (no A, B or C), that crosses Pine Oaks Road, may be some land the city ceded/leased to the developers? Is this new area going to be the area designated as PK or Parkland? It is very unclear. We already have numerous people coming up Pine Oaks Road, walking their dogs, parking their cars, climbing the fences and walking into the park illegally. What is the "plan" to make this area secure if this will become a large, new Park Land area?

Or, is this new large right triangle area an area of new housing development?! Please let me know. Please let the residents of Pine Oaks Road and Pine Oaks Lane have the legal opportunity of being informed of these important changes to zoning and

developments on their roads.

Can you help me? Can you clear this mis/disinformation up? Thank you,
Kate Tangney-Rogers
719-641-6955

From: Robert Rogers <bert.t.rogers@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2023 1:51 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Record number ANEX-230029; ZONE23-0026 Zone230027; MAPN-23-0009

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#### Dear Gabe

My name is Robert Rogers. I live at 7650 Pine Oaks Ln. Colorado Springs, CO 80926. I first heard about the above proposal last night through my neighbor on Pine Oaks Rd, Matt Barton. As he states in his email to you, we only know of one neighbor on Pine Oaks Rd or Pine Oaks Ln that received notice of the proposed development. This development will directly affect all property owners on Pine Oaks Rd and Pine Oaks lane.

I would very much appreciate it if you would include all the residents on Pine Oaks Rd and Pine Oaks Ln on any future notifications of developments. The post card notification map is not clear which sites will be used for the different types of development mentioned. Pine Oaks Rd is our only way in or out of our area. Our concerns are increased traffic and fire evacuation problems. The Sundance development on the southwest corner of Pine Oaks Rd and Highway 115 is already going to amplify both of those concerns. Please add my address to the list for future mailings about this proposal.

Thanks,

Robert Rogers

From: Matt Barton <matthewryanbarton@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2023 6:26 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa Addition no.1 Annexation **Attachments:** 20231015\_180453.heic; 20231015\_180419.heic

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Hello Gabe,

My name is Matt Barton and I live at 7825 Pine Oaks Ln. I did not receive the notification about the proposed Annex plan for the Pine Oaks Road area, nor did many of my neighbors on Pine Oaks Rd. I got the info from the only neighbor that I am aware of that did get the mailer. I request this notification be sent to everyone on Pine Oaks Road and Pine Oaks Lane as the project affects all of us. It involves the only way in or out of this neighborhood.

The notification does not give clear information as to what the plan entails. Which area is to be designated as parkland and which is to be R-FLex-Med? How is "parkland" defined in this specific proposal? What could be the extent of park development as much of the annex area is already a state park? Would it be a city park area?

Who decides that 16 dwelling units per acre is appropriate for this area?

My main concern is the elevated risk of fire for all residences west of the development. We only have one way out of here and adding more users in the heavily wooded area creates serious safety issues for those who would be caught with no way out in a fire event east of us on the road. The potential for 16 dwelling units per acre @ 54 acres would mean 864 units in the area. That's a huge fire risk to the area with that many residents being added. This plan would sock us in with no way out in a fire emergency, which seems inevitable.

Another concern is that the intersection of Pine Oaks Road and hwy 115 is already going to have serious issues with traffic from the development currently in process, packing as many units as possible in the field south of that intersection. It's an evacuation issue as well as a daily use problem. Please drive into town from here any weekday between 3:30 and 5:30. Traffic is backed up from Cheyenne Meadows to South Academy each day. Morning commutes are already maxed out.

I request that you send out more detailed information about the project to everyone in the affected area (Pine Oaks Road/Lane, Pawnee, Rock Creek Mesa, etc.).

Thank you, Matt Barton 719-338-1092

From: K Rawson < kltrain7@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2023 6:20 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Regarding the Annexation and another Rezoning on the MESA

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I am opposed to this annexation.

Thank you, Kathie Rawson

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From: Michael Olson <olson.michael98@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2023 4:43 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Rock creek mesa addition 1

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From: Carol Olson <br/>
Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2023 11:52 AM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

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#### Mr. Sevigny,

My name is Carol Olson and I have lived at 650 RCMR for 28 years. It's a decent little area, especially in the warmer months. My husband has brought to my attention the new building that is planned closer to 115. To be honest I haven't read all the specifics but I do share my husbands concern about access.

My experience has been that Pawnee as it gets closer to 115 can get very icy in the winter. If it were to be the only way in and out of the new housing area it would stand a chance of becoming clogged very easily. The same concern, if there were to be a need for emergency evacuation. Especially for us at the top of the hill, where there are more trees for fuel, and a longer route for us to take to safety getting down to 115. If we had to wait on RCMR for backups to clear during a wildfire, the chance for a negative outcome seems almost certain.

I would add, this whole area is on district 8/fountain fort carson school district. And these kids ride the buses. With the current lack of bus drivers, and requirement of extra funds to pay them, there may be cause for concern. Not to mention the extra povs congregating to drop off and pick up kids at the bus stop.

Thank you very much for your time, Carol Olson

Sent from my iPhone

From: Dwight <caminosixnine@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2023 10:51 AM

To:Sevigny, Gabe G; DwightSubject:Rock Creek Mesa addition 1

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from; Dwight Olson 650 Rock Creek Mesa Road

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Sincerely,

Dwight Olson 650 Rock Creek Mesa Road Colorado Springs, CO 80926 719 527 2598 caminosixnine@msn.com

From: Valerie Stevens <vstevens7575@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 14, 2023 5:45 PM

To:Sevigny, Gabe GSubject:Mesa Neighborhood

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I would like to know more about this

From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Friday, October 13, 2023 11:14 AM

To: Mike Heath

**Subject:** RE: annexation 23-0029 zone 23-0026 zone 23-009

#### Hello,

Thank you for the email. It will be a part of the public record and forwarded to the applicant for them to respond or acknowledge. I will also add your email to my list-serve for this project and notify you of any resubmittals, and any future correspondence for neighborhood meetings and public hearings. Please note there is no public hearing scheduled as the project is only in the first review and the application must satisfy the requirements for the criteria of approval for an annexation, 2 zone changes, and a land use plan. Annexations do require recommendations of approval from Parks Board, Utilities board, and Planning Commission prior to final approvals from City Council.

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Staff has determined to require a neighborhood meeting. The applicant will be notified at the conclusion of this submittal cycle, and if/when the applicant resubmits, they will need to inform staff of the date/time/location of the neighborhood meeting. City Staff will prepare an additional postcard and poster(s) for that meeting. No decision would be made, but it would be an opportunity for you, and the neighborhood, to ask additional questions, and voice concerns or opposition.

Hope this helps, if you have additional questions please let me know.



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From: Mike Heath <mmesamike@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** Friday, October 13, 2023 9:57 AM

To: Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov> Subject: annexation 23-0029 zone 23-0026 zone 23-009

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Michael Heath 635 Rock Creek Mesa Rd Colorado Springs, CO 80926

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Sent: Friday, October 13, 2023 9:57 AM

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From: Felicia Grillo <feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com>

Sent: Friday, October 13, 2023 6:45 AM

To: Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Re: Request for neighborhood meeting

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Good Morning,

Great, thank you for the clarification. I appreciate the updates regarding this project.

Felicia Grillo

From: Sevigny, Gabe G <Gabe.Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2023 3:34 PM To: Felicia Grillo <feliciagrillo485@hotmail.com> **Subject:** RE: Request for neighborhood meeting

Apologies for the previous email, the 'if' portions below would be if the project continues to move forward. If there is a resubmittal, staff will advise the applicant we will require the neighborhood meeting and an email containing the information of date/time/location will be sent along with another postcard and poster. Hope that clarifies, if not, please feel free to reach out.



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I hope that practices in the future will accommodate all individuals.

Thank you, Felicia Grillo

From: Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2023 3:25 PM

To: Debi Frontino

**Subject:** RE: Rock Creek Mesa Addition

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To: Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

Subject: Rock Creek Mesa Addition

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Thank you,
Deborah Frontino
Rock Creek Mesa Rd resident

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From: Skadi Middleton <skadi.middleton@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 12:44 PM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Re: Rock creek mesa addition no.1 annexation

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Thank you for your prompt reply and time spent addressing some of the issues in writing...truly hope for a plan that considers all factors and is right for the overall community and area.

We want to see positive growth and positive impact... and we truly hope COS will consider that this will play into what direction this area goes - for better or worse with any development- our hope is for a major overhaul and improvement from i-25 and Nevada down all the way down to 115 - it it a special and unique niche area that Colorado Springs could really make a wonderful place. And I hope that the community and governing persons can see that too.

Thanks again! Skadi

Sent from my iPhone

> On Oct 11, 2023, at 11:18 AM, Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov > wrote:

> Hello,

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> Thank you for the email, it will be a part of the public record and forwarded to the applicant for their opportunity to respond or acknowledge. Also, as you have emailed me I will be sure to notify you of any future resubmittals, neighborhood or public meetings.

> For some specific responses from the planning department, we do not represent the property owner or this private property. The property owner is able to apply for applications, and staff would review the project against any specific criteria for approval. For these applications, that would include criteria for approval for an annexation, 2 zone changes,

and a land use plan.

> Staff was made aware of the notification that did not include households within 1,000 feet of the southern most portion of the proposal. That has been corrected and the updated postcards are being received. Please note that we are required to send to the property owners listed within the assessor's website, if the unit is a rental, then they would need to verify with a landlord.

> My current initial review is currently still open and has not concluded, but I will note that the density is a comment that will be provided for clarification. While the land use plan is indicating a maximum density, the traffic study submitted speaks to a different total unit count, that will need to be addressed.

> Please note, that for the fire discussion, City Fire is an outside agency that is required to review the applications. If this proposal is approved, utilities would be extended, at the cost of the developer, to the area that would also provide fire hydrants that would assist fire departments when needed improving the over-all safety in the area. Also, within city limits they would be required to add an over-lay that is the WUI, Wildland Urban Interface Overlay. This overlay requires additional measure of safety that other developments may not require. Also, in order to be able to move forward, Pawnee Road would have to be improved to City Standards then dedicated to the City for maintenance.

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> Mr. Sevigny,
> I am a resident at 430 Pine Oaks Rd, writing to you in opposition of the proposed development of the Rock Creek Mesa
addition number one annexation the record numbers are
> ANEX-23-0029
> ZONE-23-0026
> 70NF-23-0027
> MAPN-23-0009
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> First and foremost it has been found that not every resident in this small neighborhood has received a notice about this
proposal- I believe all residents in this neighborhood WILL be impacted by this possible development, not just those of us
closest to the development.
> Secondly, we are residential forest, at all times we are at increased risk for fire hazard in this area, increasing the
amount of people, waste, foot and car traffic increases our risk of fire tenfold. This places a greater danger to displacing
wildlife, to the state park itself, park goers, and the current residents.
> Not to mention this small neighborhood will be placed at GREAT risk for escape plan if a fire ensues due to traffic
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one resident who is unable to build because of this. YET, somehow the city is magically providing water to well over a proposed 800 units in an area just near us. How is this to be done? And will you allow for this current residents and others to now have access to water?

> Third, We are on Rock creek water- we currently are not allowed further water permits in our neighborhood, we have

leaving a proposed area of up to over 800 units, with minimal evacuation routes. We are talking MORE than 800 people-

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trying to evacuate one or two routes at best.

> Other things to consider-

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- > I am not a big environmentalist by any means but there has to be an incredibly large negative environmental impact on the area, as wildlife is abundant in that area. Has there been any study done to provide evidence of impact one way or another?
- > what benefits will the city bring to current neighborhoods with this development? There is no financial benefit for current residents with this proposed development, multiple sweeping units will not help our property values. Not to mention we are currently are on septic, and propane, our road leading to our homes is poorly maintained at best with massive potholes- are these luxuries of city sewer, gas and maintained roads something the city will now provide to current residents off pine oaks road?
- > why hasn't there been consideration for 2-5 acre parcels for custom homes instead of this gigantic development that is likely condos and or townhomes? A stark contrast to the beautiful landscape of Cheyenne mountain? The city has been going to great lengths to improve south Nevada, and STILL has much work to make it as great as it could be, clean it up and improve its reputation-you have these beautiful homes in broadmoor and broadmoor bluffs, and yet as a city on this side of town, you do not have acreage to build custom homes, (as you have in Monument and pushing east from there). > Why wouldn't you continue to bring revenue to this side of town as you improve it, with acreage and custom homes, bring wealthy residents to this side of town- where it is absolutely needed. You are actively trying to push out low income and run down houses and building structure and bring in luxury on south Nevada, yet you are now considering 800 plus units to be built, where you could instead easily attract individuals who want to build custom homes on acreage. It seems wise to want to attract the right type of people in order to improve the area that you are trying to improve- otherwise this is all for not.
- > Overall, you can see my feelings are clearly against this current development plan. I sincerely do not think this area can sustain it.
- > I would be happy to allow for 2-5 or more acre sites with one single family dwelling on each lot- I believe that growth is needed, in fact, we ourselves bought our home to improve it and have acreage because it was impossible to get into an area of Monument. We are a prime example of the type of people who see an opportunity for this area and believe it's possible and want to see this area grow in a positive way. Yet, with a proposal of over 800 units of condos and townhomes, I do not believe that the city would be taking the area in the right direction if they allowed for this current proposal. That is irresponsible planning for this city and area. It just doesn't make sense in the big picture.
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**From:** Sevigny, Gabe G

Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 11:19 AM

**To:** Skadi Middleton

**Subject:** RE: Rock creek mesa addition no.1 annexation

#### Hello,

Thank you for the email, it will be a part of the public record and forwarded to the applicant for their opportunity to respond or acknowledge. Also, as you have emailed me I will be sure to notify you of any future resubmittals, neighborhood or public meetings.

For some specific responses from the planning department, we do not represent the property owner or this private property. The property owner is able to apply for applications, and staff would review the project against any specific criteria for approval. For these applications, that would include criteria for approval for an annexation, 2 zone changes, and a land use plan.

Staff was made aware of the notification that did not include households within 1,000 feet of the southern most portion of the proposal. That has been corrected and the updated postcards are being received. Please note that we are required to send to the property owners listed within the assessor's website, if the unit is a rental, then they would need to verify with a landlord.

My current initial review is currently still open and has not concluded, but I will note that the density is a comment that will be provided for clarification. While the land use plan is indicating a maximum density, the traffic study submitted speaks to a different total unit count, that will need to be addressed.

Please note, that for the fire discussion, City Fire is an outside agency that is required to review the applications. If this proposal is approved, utilities would be extended, at the cost of the developer, to the area that would also provide fire hydrants that would assist fire departments when needed improving the over-all safety in the area. Also, within city limits they would be required to add an over-lay that is the WUI, Wildland Urban Interface Overlay. This overlay requires additional measure of safety that other developments may not require. Also, in order to be able to move forward, Pawnee Road would have to be improved to City Standards then dedicated to the City for maintenance.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

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----Original Message----

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ANEX-23-0029

ZONE-23-0026

ZONE-23-0027

MAPN-23-0009

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Secondly, we are residential forest, at all times we are at increased risk for fire hazard in this area, increasing the amount of people, waste, foot and car traffic increases our risk of fire tenfold. This places a greater danger to displacing wildlife, to the state park itself, park goers, and the current residents.

Not to mention this small neighborhood will be placed at GREAT risk for escape plan if a fire ensues due to traffic leaving a proposed area of up to over 800 units, with minimal evacuation routes. We are talking MORE than 800 people- trying to evacuate one or two routes at best.

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To: Felicia Grillo

**Subject:** RE: Rock Creek Mesa

The applicant is aware that the postcards are updated and we will be allowing more time, but I do have to keep the date the same as the is when I need to send this review back to the applicant. Again, that date does not mean that the public comments will not be received. I will continue to process and update. I have also notified that a neighborhood meeting may be required. Again, if you do have neighbors that you are speaking for, they need to reach out as well. Currently the only request for a neighborhood meeting is coming from one neighbor. That may be handled with a direct phone call with the applicant. Let me know if you have any additional questions.



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Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 5:23 PM

To: Sevigny, Gabe G < Gabe. Sevigny@coloradosprings.gov>

Subject: Rock Creek Mesa

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To: christian huber **Subject:** RE: Rock Creek Mesa

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**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa Addition No. 1 Annexation

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Good morning Mr. Sevigny,

Regarding RCM Addition No 1 Annexation:

I am a resident in the community associated with this project.

I have a few questions now and I'm sure I will have more as this project progresses.

1. Will you please confirm the name of applicant? The schedule number associated with the property states the owner of the property is City of Colorado Springs.

Who is the applicant?

Is that correct, is the property owned by City of Colorado Springs?

- 2. The property identified, per El Paso County Assessor is 53.72 acres. The annexation request is 110 acres. Where is the other 46.28 acres?
- 3. Is the other 46.28 the TOPS property?
- 4. Is this associated with Rock Creek Metropolitan District in anyway?
- 5. What is the purpose of the annexation? If the current 53.72 acres is owned by the City of Colorado Springs, is the property in fact, in Colorado Springs or are the boundaries El Paso County?

I believe a correct map inclusive of all 110 acres would be required to be given to residents and if you can, I would appreciate an email with the correct map to include all 110 acres being requested to be annexed.

Thank you,

Felicia Grillo

Rock Creek Mesa Resident

From: Elizabeth McCowen <allmonelizabeth15@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, October 2, 2023 10:46 AM

**To:** Sevigny, Gabe G

**Subject:** Rock Creek Mesa Addition No. 1

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I received a green card in the Mail today regarding annexation and building on land by me. We had been told when Mr. Meankia came in to have annexation an building of 262 homes (now 500 +) that there could no longer be any more water coming to this area. Did this change again without us being notified? We are now looking at our country homes being surrounded by 800 more homes and the wild lands being taken apart.

The Fire danger will be even more severe than it was before. When we had a fire it took us 45 minutes to just get to HWY 115.

There are so many things about this that is not right and letting him come in with even more homes is wrong and not letting us know sooner is wrong. Now you are giving him more water and more ability to ruin our area and take away our wildlife just because is horrible. I hope you don't take away the Bald eagles like you are taking away everything else.

Please respond to this and please listen to what everyone will be saying this time and not like the other meetings we have been too,

Elizabeth McCowen 290 Rock Creek Mesa Road 80926 719-321-6595