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Neighbors and public comment, I died, and more. Wait, you died?

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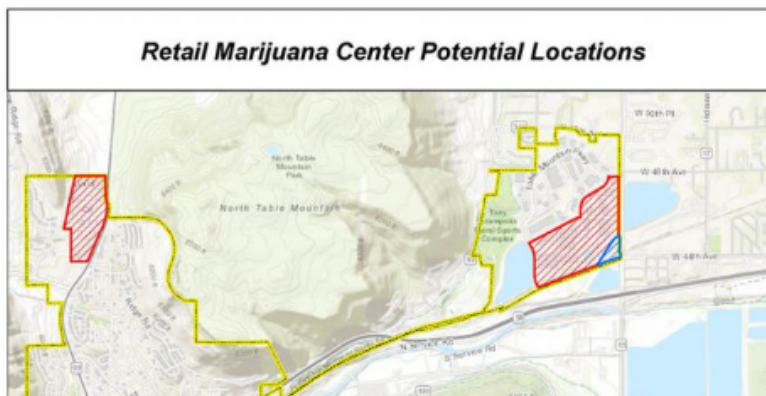
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Dear Neighbors,

I hope you have survived our chillier than normal winter. Here are some updates for Ward 3 mostly, but around Golden as well. As always, feel free to forward to others.

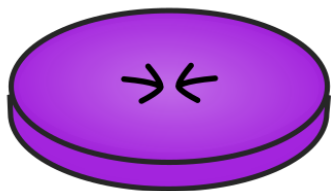


Neighbors make a difference - The residents of Peery Parkway have reached out to the city for years about challenges they face with the climbers and other users of the parking areas for North Table Mountain. Casey Brown (District 2) and myself met with the residents, city staff, and even county staff to discuss where to go from here. Kudos to the residents for making their voices heard. [Here is the city manager's response to the recent meeting.](#)

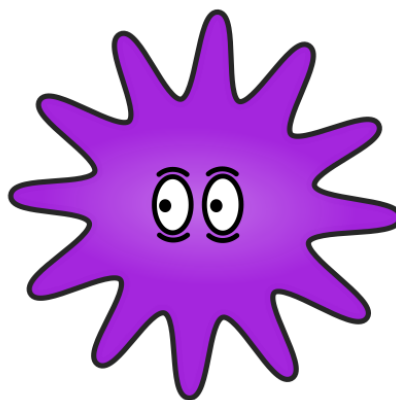


Neighbors try to make a difference - The residents off Pine Ridge protested strongly at the Planning Commission hearing of the incompatibility of retail marijuana sales with other uses in light industrial park. They had a narrow ability to protest around compatibility, but the planning commission had a lot of criteria to weigh, and that was only one of them. Then, because no local business protested (they are the only ones with "standing" to protest, which is a legal way of saying only someone directly affected can protest, not just nearby), the case never came to the city council for review, and the Special Use Permit was allowed. I certainly understand their frustration and have commented on it more extensively through [this memo](#). As the author of the memo I feel comfortable sharing it. But please note, I do not speak for the city council, this is just my own opinion of the issue. Here is one line from the memo that encapsulates my thoughts, *"If the outcome is not what people want, they may interpret that as "not making a difference", which is a reasonable thought, but they at least should feel heard. As to HOW the input affected the decision, that again can be hard if it didn't "go your way". But for what it is worth, this email and any effect it may have on future SUP discussions is evidence that input does matter."*

Platelets



inactive



activated

Blood letting in January - A brief vignette about blood, or more accurately, platelet donations. After an uneventful platelet donation in January, I was deferred for my next donation to July of 2023, whereas two weeks is normal. A technician had listed my donation as 5,683 mL, instead of 583 mL of product. To put that in context, the human body has about 5,000 mL of blood. The software was smart enough to defer my next donation until July, but not to flag the technician that I

would be dead! The issue has been escalated at Vitalant, but meanwhile I am dead to them, and unable to donate platelets.



Sad face 😞 - I was quoted in the [Golden Transcript](#) as "stoked" that Habitat for Humanity was going to purchase the Xcel property on South Golden Road and propose a development to include for-purchase housing for low or moderate income folks. Sadly this sale did not go through though I am not at a liberty to say why, nor do I really know the details. Xcel will reach back out to its original bidders and my guess is that it will go "market rate" and the city will have little ability to guide the development as much as we'd have liked. Use by right is very powerful, so a buyer can often do many things regardless of what you, or others want them to do.

[Boards and Commissions Applications](#) - Golden and your neighbors need you to participate in our government to make it the best it can be. The linked heading will take you to the application. Read and share [the flyer](#) here if you want to invite others. Leer la noticia [aquí](#) tambien.

**If you have input for city council, please use
councilcomments@cityofgolden.net.**

Always feel free to reach me at my website, [set up a meeting](#). Or, let's run, walk or bike together if you'd like!

Peace,

Don

Feel free to forward this to friends or neighbors who may like to get more information. To join the list fill out the contact form at cameronforgolden.org

Want to know even more? Two other councilors have websites too, [JJTrout](#) and [Bill Fisher](#)

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