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Re: New City Manager, Rolling Stops, BOGO Transcript

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Dear Neighbors,

Are you better informed, or feeling at least a little informed by reading these monthly emails? If so, please pass it along, and if you found this in your spam, social, or promotions folder, please make sure that cameronforgolden@gmail.com is in your trusted contacts list so you are kept up on Ward 3, and other information.

1. City Manager Hiring - The city is governed by what is defined as a STRONG City Manager, *weak* City Council model. The hiring of the city manager and providing strategic direction are the most important jobs of the City Council. So stay tuned into our [hiring process](#). Finalists will be selected soon, and there is a public engagement process planned for either June 27th or 28th where you will be able to meet, question, and rank the finalists. If you think of any functions that the city provides, you should know that the city manager is responsible for day-to-day responsibility of delivering those services. Help us hire the best candidate by participating.

2. CoorsTek Redevelopment - After many hearings and testimony, the CoorsTek rezoning will be discussed on 2nd reading (i.e. that is when the rubber meets the road) on [June 7th](#). We have the rezoning, an alley vacation, and vesting rights on which to make final decisions. Rest assured I have gotten into more details than I expected, but I am looking out for the interests of the citizens of Golden as best I can. To those of you who think we have sold out to developers and give away the store, I would suggest you watch the [20 hours or so of public hearings on this](#) to see just how strongly Planning Commission worked to bring a rezoning plan to us for consideration. And as a reminder, Planning Commissioners are unpaid volunteers and some extended their time on the commission to perform these responsibilities, and they deserve our thanks. (Scroll to the Planning Commission to look at meetings on 2/2, 2/23, 4/6, 4/18, 4/28.)



3. Weed - On June 14 the City Council will do second reading on the ordinance to allow Retail Marijuana. Since I last wrote about this I have had many conversations with business owners and managers. Most are neutral about having a neighboring business sell marijuana products. Though some are very strongly opposed in general and wish the citizens had not voted for it. I would say my opinion has shifted a little bit toward fewer locations and perhaps not on South Golden road. City Councilor JJ Trout has written extensively on this and by permission I have [posted the information here](#) along with my comments.



4. Rolling Stops - Bicyclists are allowed now, by law, to slow to a safe speed of 10 miles an hour, and roll through stop signs if it is safe to do so. They are not allowed to do so at red signal lights. See more details on this [here](#).

5. The Fifth Estate - The Golden Transcript falls into the category of local media, and is therefore part of the Fifth Estate. They are also offering two years for the price of one right now. If you want to have local media as a watchdog on government, you can support their efforts by being a subscriber. [Learn what the other four estates are here](#), and learn more about why I think they are worth keeping around.

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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