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## [Test] Event Permits, HW93 Construction information, RTD, Facts don't matter?!

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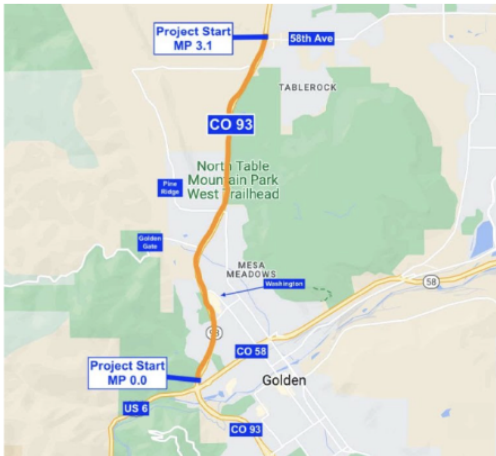
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Dear Neighbors,

It's been a busy month. I hope you find this information useful, if you do, please forward to a friend and they can sign up at my website to get it monthly.

### CDOT Project on Highway 93



The repaving and improvements project will begin this April on CO Hwy 93. Changes will improve driving conditions and safety along the 3.1-mile stretch of Hwy 93 between the intersection of CO58 and Clear Creek Canyon, and CO93 and 58th Ave. The work will be done initially in the daytime from 9am-3pm, and switch to night time work in June. The job is expected to be completed in October. If you have questions, project hotline: 303-495-3030 or email: [CO93Repaving@gmail.com](mailto:CO93Repaving@gmail.com). Ongoing alerts can be signed up for [here](#), [enter email](#), [click on the Northwest Colorado drop-down](#) and pick the HW93 project as shown below.

Select the region that interests you, then check any project list(s) to subscribe:

Denver Metro

- Adams County Curb Ramp Removal & Replacement
- Central 70 | I-70 between Brighton Boulevard and Chambers Road
- CO 93 Resurfacing between US 6 & 58th Avenue in Golden
- Eisenhower Johnson Memorial Tunnel Infrastructure Repairs
- I-25 & Alameda Bridge Replacement
- I-25 Douglas County Concrete Rehabilitation
- I-25 Dry Creek Ramp Improvements
- I-70 & Harlan Street Bridge Replacement & Interchange Safety Improvements
- I-70 Mountain Corridor | Floyd Hill to the Veterans Memorial Tunnels

**Camerdb**  
 Status: ● Game Over  
 Groups: Aveo & Dream On 3

PCT 96% RANK 882K PTS 700

**Round Scores**  
 MAX 700

Round of 64	220 of 320
Round of 32	120 of 320
Sweet Sixteen	120 of 320
Elite Eight	80 of 320
Final Four	160 of 320
Championship	0 of 320

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**Facts don't matter, sometimes** - After you have lived as long as I have, you have tons of "history" that you use to rationalize decisions. Or, for me at least, I'll have an opinion on something and then use old or new facts to back it up. In early April I won over \$700 (taxable) on my NCAA Final Four bracket. I used the tried and true method of using the second letter in the team's name, first alphabetical wins. Seriously, that's what I did. Had I used an actual algorithm, such as 3-point percentage, W/L record, or some ranking, I would have used my win as a way to justify my decisions. But in the case of my bracket win, it really was random luck, and the same may be true for decisions you make "backed up with data". So, when looking at data, doubt it, like a scientist, but test it too. And check in how you're using it, to justify a decision made subconsciously? Or to actually reach a decision?

**Outdoor Dining** - City Council received a ton of input to continue the outdoor dining in the Right of Way (ROW). We did receive some comments against this private use of public property. In an attempt to find a middle ground we asked staff to develop a fee structure that covered our costs to put up and take down barriers, as well as the marginal cost of lost space. That is where much of the push back was, though also on the short time frame of the decision to the start of the program. If there is revenue generated, from sales tax, and we provide free parking otherwise, what are we losing by charging for the ROW? Well, we don't know what we're losing, for example a sale in another retailer or "whatever" because someone could not park where there was seating. In the end we voted to include a permit fee, a set up and breakdown fee, and forego charging a usage fee. Sausage was made. After a math error was found, the final price for 2023 to businesses will be \$1,100, less than \$6/day. I continue to want to turn some of our downtown into a pedestrian mall. Given we really only have Ford/Jackson and Washington as northbound and southbound streets, maybe we need to look at walking mall treatment of parts of 12th. Thoughts?

Community Sustainability Board Opening - The mission of the Community Sustainability Advisory Board is to assist the City of Golden in defining and achieving its sustainability goals and to empower the community to live in a way that assures a high quality of life for current and future generations. The Community Sustainability Advisory Board (CSAB) is seeking applicants to fill one seat vacancy with the term ending in 2024. The CSAB meets monthly on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 6 to 8:30 p.m. The time commitment to serve is about 6-16 hours per month.

Polis's Affordable Housing Bill is crashing and burning- Due to lots of changes to the senate bill 23-213, I have moved my comments to a blog post linked above.

**Mobile Home Resident Owned Purchase** - On the positive side of things, with some help from ARPA funds and COG, the Golden Hills Mobile Home Park will become the first Resident Owned Community (ROC) in Jefferson County. We continue to push Jeffco to partner with us on the purchase, but no progress yet.

**Arts and Culture Master Plan Virtual Workshop is Now Open** Golden is home to cultural institutions that inspire connections within the community. Arts and culture play an essential role in the city's economy, improve quality of life, and educate and enlighten people living and visiting Golden. With this in mind, the City of Golden has engaged Keen Independent to create an Arts and Culture Strategic Master Plan, which will serve as a framework for cultivating art, culture and creativity in Golden. Community members are invited to participate in a virtual workshop. Similar to a survey, the virtual workshop takes about 10 minutes to complete and is available until May 15 Those unable to participate in the virtual workshop may provide input to Keen Independent by phone or email: Call the study hotline: (720) 515-1654 Email the study team: [goldenarts@keenindependent.com](mailto:goldenarts@keenindependent.com) Participate in the virtual workshop

**RTD Fare Study & Equity Analysis**- New fares are en route thanks to your engagement in the RTD Fare Study and Equity Analysis! Your participation in their feedback panels over the last year has helped create a new fare structure and program. Following more than a year of community engagement, RTD has developed a plan that will:

- Lower fares for customers
- Make fares easier to understand and use
- Increase discounts for adults 65 and older, individuals with disabilities, Medicare recipients, Access-a-Ride customers and LiVE customers
- Expand who qualifies for income-based discounts
- Introduce a pilot program to offer Zero Fare for Youth ages 19 and younger

RTD is currently seeking public comment on the plan through May 22 and is hosting virtual public hearings, in-person open houses and pop-up events to engage members of the community. We encourage you to participate and to share your opinion by submitting a comment online. Learn more at [www.farefeedback.rtd-denver.com/get-involved](http://www.farefeedback.rtd-denver.com/get-involved)

**Judy Denison, at age 86 is "crushing it" when it comes to helping refugees.**

She is a local gem. Read how she organized and obtained almost all the furniture and household goods for the Denver International Rescue Committee last year, and is still doing so in 2023.

**Marv Kay, one of our most impactful leaders passes away.** I knew Marv, though not well, and his good humor and sincerity were just outstanding. His impact on Golden is legendary and lives to this day. RIP

**Quick Hits - What I've been reading or listening to**

Plants - how plant selection is hard, and just getting what is available locally may not be the best for our environment, or the world.

**First My Bike Back!** - During WWII, in the Netherlands which is known as a great place for biking (70% of trips made by bike), the German occupation stole many cars and trucks and bikes for use of their metal parts. After the war, when German tourists would come to Amsterdam in particular and order a beer, they were told, "Eerst mijn fiets terug", roughly first return my bike. According to the podcast (from 99% Invisible), up to 1M of 2M bikes in the country were stolen. *The article is actually mostly about how long and hard the citizens of Netherlands fought to stop cars killing their kids.* It took changing the car primacy paradigm to truly make the change, and it was a long time (decades) in the making.

A new blog post on Poverty, By America - lessons from a reading of the book by Michael Desmond. My one sentence summary is similar to many recent studies. **"The best way to improve your lot in life is to live in a better neighborhood"**. Also, poverty is the way it is *because it works for most of us*. If your reaction to that comment is to reject the premise, then you should read the book.

God on Trial - Over an hour long movie on YouTube. A fictional account, in my estimation, well written, of Jews at Auschwitz putting God on trial for breaking the covenant with the Jews. A recommendation from a friend and neighbor. For mature audiences only. It is disturbing and powerful.

The Quiet Catastrophe in Our Lives - Ezra Klein show podcast about friendships, third spaces, and loneliness in America.

Will increased housing decrease rents? Maybe not according to the Urban Land Institute, "Growth in market-rate housing might cancel out the affordability gains of increased supply because new units are more expensive and offer nicer amenities, which could make an entire housing market more attractive to renters, the researchers theorize. "In other words, certain zoning reforms may induce more construction, but rather than opening up existing units in the surrounding area for lower-income families, existing housing units maintain relatively stable rents due to increased demand," the study says." *To me this is another reason why for-sale units need to be addressed too, its not just about rental units.*

If you have input for city council, please use [councilcomments@cityofgolden.net](mailto: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](http://cameronforgolden.org).



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