

Parks & Open Space

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PARKS & OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Time/Date of Meeting: 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 22, 2023

TO: Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee

FROM: Don Durso, Land Officer

AGENDA ITEM: Western Mobile–2023 Transfer of Management (For

Improvements to Hygiene Road at Foothills Reservoir)

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommendation to the BOCC

For much longer than Parks & Open Space's history of stewarding open space, the land in this community has been important to diverse Indigenous communities that continue to live here. We are partnering with Indigenous people to make meaningful changes to how we do our work that include Indigenous people, incorporate their perspectives, and honor their land stewardship legacy. Parks & Open Space operates within modern legal constructs of land ownership to steward Boulder County open space and accomplish these efforts on behalf of our community.

Summary

Boulder County Public Works has asked Parks & Open Space to transfer management of approximately 0.046 acres of the Western Mobile open space property to Public Works for road right-of-way. The Western Mobile property is located on the north side of Hygiene Road across the street from the Foothills Reservoir. These 0.046 acres are currently under the management of the Boulder County Parks & Open Space department and would be transferred to the Boulder County Public Works department for road improvements necessary to meet county standards at the curve that exists at the Foothills Reservoir (please see the map attached to this memo). Staff supports this transfer of management.

Background Information

Public Works will soon begin reconstruction of the road and shoulders along Hygiene Road. This project will affect a small strip of open space property on the north side of Hygiene Road that is part of the Western Mobile open space property. The affected area is on the edge of the existing right of way along Hygiene Road as depicted by the red area on the map attached to this memo.

Although both the road and property are owned by Boulder County, they are under different managing departments. Public Works will be taking over permanent management of the 0.046 acres of land and this permanent transfer of management must be accounted for and recognized. Parks & Open Space will be paid the fair market value of this land area.

Public Process

The resolution language creating the sales tax that was used to purchase the property requires specific procedures be followed to sell this property, including adjacent property owner notification of the county commissioners' public hearing, newspaper notice, and a 60-day waiting period following county commissioner approval.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends the requested transfer of management of 0.046 acres from the Parks & Open Space department to the Public Works department.

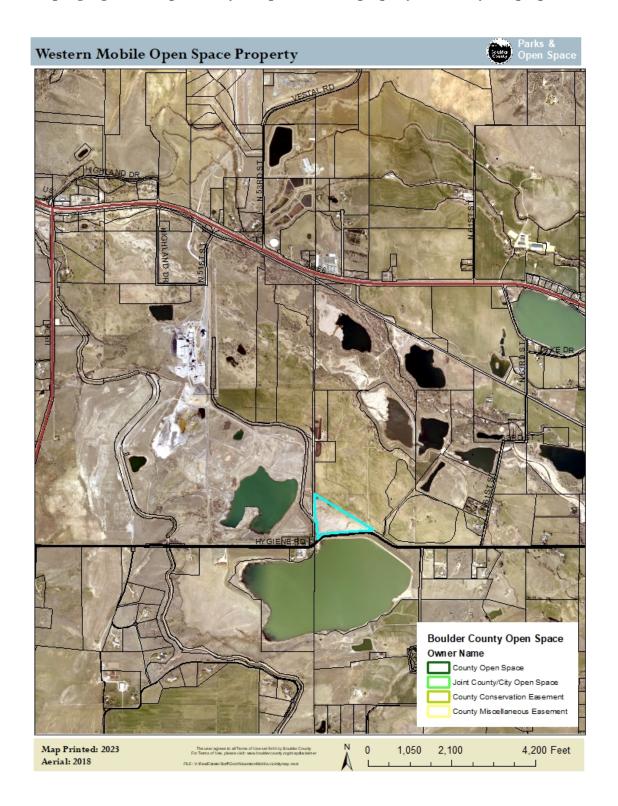
POSAC Action Requested

Recommendation to the Boulder County Commissioners for approval of the transfer of management of 0.046 acres of the Western Mobile open space property as described above and as further described by staff at the POSAC meeting.

Suggested motion language: I move approval of the transfer of management as staff has described.

(see next pages for maps)

Vicinity Map (This map highlights in turquoise only that portion of the property affected by this proposal.)



Close-Up Maps



Proposed Transfer of Mangement Area (Red)

