

## 2019-10-08 LAC Report

**Notebook:** 2019 Reports & Updates

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Legislative Advisory Coalition Update

October 8, 2019

### November Election Update

State Ballot Issues ([Blue Book Link](#))

- Proposition CC – Retain State Government Revenue
  - Allow state government to keep and spend all revenue collected each year beginning in fiscal year 2019-20;
  - Require that those additional revenues be spent for public schools, higher education and transportation projects instead of returned to taxpayers;
  - Authorize an annual independent audit on the money kept and spent as a result of this proposal.
- Proposition DD – Legalization and Taxation of Sports Betting to Fund Water Projects and Other Obligations
  - Authorizes sports betting in the state of Colorado;
  - Authorizes a 10% tax on the net proceeds through licensed casinos; and
  - Establishes a fund to direct the revenue from the sports betting tax to help fund the State Water Plan, gambling addiction services and to regulate sports betting. Types of projects that can be funded include Water Storage & Supply, Conservation & Land Use, Engagement & Innovation, Agriculture, Environment, Recreation

Local Ballot Issues:

- Animas Mosquito Control District - [SAMPLE BALLOT](#)
- Southwest La Plata Library District - [SAMPLE BALLOT](#)
- Pine River Public Library - [SAMPLE BALLOT](#)

School Boards:

- **Durango:** Two candidates are running for the Durango 9R District B open seat: Stephanie Moran and Kristin Smith. For more information:  
[https://www.durangoschools.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=458611&type=d&pREC\\_ID=1271048](https://www.durangoschools.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=458611&type=d&pREC_ID=1271048)

### [SAMPLE BALLOT](#)

- **Ignacio:** There are five candidates running for three open school board seats in the Ignacio School District: Yvonne Chapman, Doug Little, Allen McCaw, M. Toben Roderick, and Gina Schulz. For more information:

<https://www.ignacioschools.org/school-board-1f80e274>

### [SAMPLE BALLOT](#)

- **Bayfield:** There are six candidates running for four open seats in the Bayfield School District: Richard T. Gustafson, Debbie Wilhelm, Amy Davlin, Mike Foutz, Matthew Zabka, and MaryLynn Hen. For more information: [https://www.bayfield.k12.co.us/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=348651&type=d&pREC\\_ID=814680](https://www.bayfield.k12.co.us/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=348651&type=d&pREC_ID=814680)

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## **La Plata County 1041 Powers**

On October 1, the BOCC approved the following activities of state interest:

- Site selection and construction of major new domestic and sewage treatment systems; major extensions of existing systems
- Site selection and construction of major facilities of a public utility
- Efficient utilization of municipal and industrial water projects
- Site selection and development of solid waste disposal sites
- Site selection of airports
- Site selection of arterial highways, interchanges and collector highways
- Site selection and development of new communities

Under the regulations, there are three levels of project review which are appealable to the BOCC:

- Finding of no significant impact (FONSI) in which the Community Development Director determines a 1041 permit is not required, but it still may need to go through land use review.
- Administrative review in which the Director makes a determination about a project within 30 days. The decision will be published in the local paper.
- Major Permit Review in which the Director determines completeness. The project will go to the BOCC for a public hearing.

[See the Resolution](#)

## **Durango City Manager Update**

- Ron LeBlanc announced his resignation August 20. The Durango City Council decided on September 24 to terminate LeBlanc's contract and announced that Amber Blake will serve as the Interim City Manager.

## **Durango Financial Update**

- The August financial report is here:  
<http://www.durangogov.org/DocumentCenter/View/15698/August-2019-FInancial-Report>

### **Durango 2020 Budget**

- On October 1, Interim City Manager Amber Blake released the 2020 draft budget. It can be viewed online at:

<http://www.durangogov.org/DocumentCenter/View/15752/2020-Proposed-Budget>

- According to Blake, the draft reflects new City Council Goals adopted in September, implements the Compensation Study Recommendations, initiates Urban Renewal Formation, opens the Library on Sundays and extended weekday hours, 2019 Tax used for street projects and operations, implements Water and Sewer Rate Study Recommendations, begins fiscal sustainability and growth of General Fund.

### **Durango Drought Management Plan**

- The City of Durango is seeking public review and feedback on a Drought Management Plan that has been in development over the past year. The plan can be viewed here:  
<http://durangogov.org/DocumentCenter/View/15490/Durango-Drought-Mgmt-Plan-PUBLIC-DRAFT-9-10-19>
- The City is requesting feedback on the plan through a survey available here:  
<https://woodplc.surveymonkey.com/r/DurangoDroughtPlan> or by emailing [utilites@durangogov.org](mailto:utilites@durangogov.org)
- Feedback is due by November 15, 2019

### **Durango Subdivisions Approved**

- Durango Planning Commission approved the Twin Buttes Lot 55 Preliminary Minor Subdivision (1182 Twin Buttes Avenue) on September 23. The applicant proposed a subdivision of Lot 55 in the Phase 1 Filing 1B area of Twin Buttes. The lot as currently configured is 17,829 square feet, and the subdivision would result in two lots for one house each.

### **Durango Building Permits**

	<b>Single Fam new and remodel</b>	<b>Commercial new and remodel</b>	<b>Plbg-Sub</b>	<b>Mech-Sub</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>July</b>	7	9	10	7	14
<b>August</b>	12	3	12	2	13

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>27</b>
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**LPC Building Permits**

	<b>Single Fam new and remodel/add</b>	<b>Commercial new and remodel</b>	<b>Plumbing</b>	<b>Mechanical</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>31</b>

**Bayfield Building Permits**

	<b>Single Fam new and remodel/add</b>	<b>Commercial new and remodel</b>	<b>Plumbing</b>	<b>Mechanical</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Meetings attended September 10 - October 8**

9/10 - 9:15 am LAC Meeting	9/23 - 6 pm Durango Planning Commission
9/10 - 10 am BOCC Business Agenda	9/24 - 10 am BOCC Business Agenda
9/10 - 4 pm Durango Council Study Session	9/24 - 11 am BOCC Special Planning Agenda
9/11 - 8:30 am BOCC Discussion Time CANCELLED	9/24 - 4 pm Durango Council Study Session
9/12 - 6 pm LPC Planning Commission	9/25 - 8:30 am BOCC Discussion Time
9/17 - 10 am BOCC Planning Agenda	9/25 - 5 pm LPC Planning Commission Meeting
9/17 - 4 pm Durango Council Study Session	10/1 - 10 am BOCC Planning Agenda
9/17 - 6:30 pm Durango City Council Meeting	10/1 - 6:30 pm Durango City Council Meeting
9/18 - 8:30 am BOCC Discussion Time	10/2 - 8:30 am BOCC Discussion Time
9/18 - 1:30 pm BOCC Study Session	10/2 - 1:30 pm BOCC Study Session
9/19 - 6 pm Joint Planning Commission CANCELLED	10/3 - 6 pm LPC Planning Commission
9/20 - 10 am BOCC Special Business Meeting	10/8 - 9:15 am LAC Meeting