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January 6, 2026	Zebulon	The board unanimously approved a motion directing staff to begin formal negotiations with KT Development to establish a comprehensive agreement for the design, construction, and long-term operation of the Zebulon Regional Sports Complex. This action, taken after returning from executive session, advances a public-private partnership aligned with the board's long-term community vision. Passes 3-0.	
January 12, 2026	Boards and Commissions	Motion: The Board reappointed members to new terms on the Cedar Hill Cemetery District Board, DD Mill Levy Advisory Board, Fair Board, Parks Advisory Board, Planning Commission, and Water Commission.	The Board of County Commissioners reviewed and acted on reappointments to multiple county advisory boards and commissions. The Board directed staff to prepare a formal resolution, to be presented at a future business meeting, to complete reappointments for the Cultural Council, Historic Preservation Board, and Open Space Advisory Committee. In addition, The Board agreed to schedule a Fair Board meeting for Commissioners and board members only during the first quarter, directed staff to research whether the Fair Board's 21-member size is capped by resolution, and reviewed internal and external board assignments, requesting an administrative update to reflect a previously changed E-470 representative.
January 26, 2026	Legislative Session Briefing – State Lobbyist Review and Board Positions (January 2026)	Motion: The Board unanimously approved a motion to support Senate Bill 26-075 related to human trafficking offenses and directed staff and lobbyists to seek amendments to House Bill 26-1030 to ensure balanced representation on a proposed data center board. Passed 3-0.	Legislative Session Briefing – State Lobbyist Review and Board Positions (January 2026) Following an executive session with state lobbyists, the Board formalized several legislative positions and action items. Several bills were placed on monitoring status, including workforce housing and commissioner redistricting legislation, while others were referred to the Sheriff, Assessor, and Treasurer for technical review. Staff was directed to conduct further research on transit and housing investment legislation and to schedule future open-session discussions on housing development bills. The Board emphasized the importance of long-term legislative strategy extending beyond the current session and potential special sessions.
January 26, 2026	Douglas County Economic Development Corporation Work Session (January 26, 2026)	Motion: The Board unanimously approved a motion to enter executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4) for purposes of negotiations. Passed 3-0.	Douglas County Economic Development Corporation Work Session (January 26, 2026) During the January 26 EDC Work Session, the Board determined that the absence of one commissioner prevented meaningful discussion of the primary agenda items and postponed those items to a future meeting. The Board acknowledged the personal loss affecting the absent commissioner and emphasized its intent to work efficiently while respecting that circumstance.

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January 26, 2026	Administrative Meeting	Motion: The Board appointed John “Chip” Kennedy to the Library Board (District 1) and Keith Worley to the Noxious Weed Advisory Commission. Passed 2-0.	At the January 26 Administrative Meeting, the Board of County Commissioners reviewed vacancies and appointments across multiple boards and commissions and took formal action to appoint John “Chip” Kennedy to the Library Board (District 1) and Keith Worley to the Noxious Weed Advisory Commission, addressing critical staffing needs. The Board clarified that Water Commission reappointments will follow the existing three-year term standard, correcting earlier discussion of two-year terms, and reaffirmed that board applications are retained for at least one year to support ongoing recruitment. Direction was given to reopen and actively promote applications for District 1 and District 3 vacancies, particularly for the Cultural Council, Parks Advisory Board, and several advisory bodies with zero applicants. Staff was directed to notify appointees, report back on Parks Advisory Board attendance and engagement, prepare for an upcoming Planning Commission vacancy, and continue evaluating the future role of the CSU Extension Advisory Council pending a forthcoming MOU.
February 3, 2026	DCCF	Motion: The Board directed staff to redirect the County’s nonprofit sponsorship efforts away from the Douglas County Community Foundation due to concerns regarding mission drift and management standards and to begin the legal establishment of a new 501(c)(3) entity, tentatively named the Douglas County Foundation. Interim representation will be maintained during the transition. Passed 2-0.	
February 3, 2026	Administrative Meeting – February 3, 2026	Motion: The Board appointed Ed Hairfield to the Fair Board. Passed 2-0.	Administrative Meeting – February 3, 2026 The Board took action on several board and commission appointments, while identifying additional vacancies for future consideration. Public affairs updates included finalization of the County magazine, upcoming town halls, and multiple video projects pending RFP and draft review. The Board reviewed citizen correspondence related to development projects, public safety inquiries, and concerns about mayoral lunches, which commissioners defended as a high-value coordination tool, noting that some costs are personally covered by commissioners. Legislative discussion included opposition to state preemption of local drone authority (with final direction deferred) and continued prioritization of advocacy for a human trafficking bill currently in committee, along with direction to develop a focused legislative news landing page highlighting high-impact policy issues.
February 11, 2026	Legislative Positions Briefing - February 11, 2026	HB26-1138 - Retail Theft Prevention Program – Support. Passed 3-0. HB26-1021 - Second Amendment Protection Act – Sheriff supports – Support. Passed 3-0. HB26-1037 - Ban Government Purchase of Personal Data from Third Party – Oppose. HB26-1126 - Requirements for Firearms Dealers – Oppose. HB26-1144 - Prohibit Three-Dimensional Printing Firearms and Components – Oppose. HB26-1114 - Allowed Minimum Lot Size for Subject Jurisdictions – Oppose. SB26-043 - Record Keeping and Regulation of Sale of Firearm Barrel – Oppose. Citing concerns the measures would be harmful to Colorado and Douglas County residents.	The Board of County Commissioners convened following executive session and unanimously approved the following motions. Staff (Mariah and Josh) were directed to formally register and post the County’s positions. The Board also received an update from Treasurer Gill regarding HB 1119, which the Colorado County Treasurers Association strongly opposes and is currently under active negotiation; the Association’s analysis will be circulated to the Board for review. Commissioners emphasized that negotiations remain fluid and will continue providing direction as legislation progresses.

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February 17, 2026	Administrative Meeting – Link on Demand - February 17, 2026	motion passed 3-0, pursuant to statutory code 24-6-404(4)(e), to enter into executive session to provide specific negotiation points to designated representatives.	The Board addressed negotiation strategy for the “Link on Demand” presentation and unanimously approved a motion passed 3-0, pursuant to statutory code 24-6-404(4)(e), to enter into executive session to provide specific negotiation points to designated representatives. All substantive negotiation discussions occurred in executive session.
February 17, 2026	Administrative Meeting	Motion: The meeting entered executive session under CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) for the purpose of receiving legal advice from the County Attorney.	
February 17, 2026	Administrative Meeting	Motion: The Board unanimously voted to oppose SB23-097 regarding decriminalization of commercial sexual activity.	
February 23, 2026		Motion: to reimburse Castle Rock Water \$220,988 for analysis and integration work supporting the Bell Mountain Ranch Water Alternatives Program, facilitating the transition of 320 homes from groundwater wells to a renewable water system.	Work Session – Water Sustainability & DD Mill Levy Housing (February 23, 2026) The Board approved a motion to reimburse Castle Rock Water \$220,988 for analysis and integration work supporting the Bell Mountain Ranch Water Alternatives Program, facilitating the transition of 320 homes from groundwater wells to a renewable water system. The project aligns with the County Water Plan and long-term aquifer preservation goals. The Board also reviewed recommendations for the 2026 Developmental Disabilities (DD) Mill Levy Housing Supportive Services Grant, identifying Wellspring as the top-ranked applicant for a 24-unit project, including 14 permanently dedicated IDD units, with opening anticipated in Q2 2026. A formal service contract is scheduled for consideration at the March 24 business meeting.
March 3, 2026	Community Corrections Work Session	A formal motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to adopt the recommendations from executive session, including direction to sign and deliver the correspondence presented to the board to the Arapahoe County Board of Commissioners.	The Board of County Commissioners convened an executive session under C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e) for negotiation and legal advice. After executive session, the board reconvened publicly to take administrative action related to its existing Intergovernmental Agreement with Arapahoe County for the provision of Community Corrections programming.
March 3, 2026	EMS Work Session: Wildfire Mitigation Technology and Risk Reduction	The Commissioners unanimously approved a motion to fund Year 1 implementation of Ladriss, with an estimated ongoing annual cost of \$83,300	Emergency Management presented a data-driven wildfire mitigation strategy using three tools—Zylo Plan (risk/pathway modeling), Fire Aside (homeowner parcel mitigation and insurance-facing reporting), and Ladriss (real-time fire spread and evacuation clearance modeling). Staff informed the Board that Zylo Plan and Fire Aside were funded through internal savings and requested Board support for funding the Ladriss software. The Commissioners unanimously approved a motion to fund Year 1 implementation of Ladriss, with an estimated ongoing annual cost of \$83,300. Emergency Management outlined near-term implementation including parcel-level assessment starting in Perry Park, use of Fire Aside to quantify mitigation results for residents (including insurance benefits), and adoption of pre-identified evacuation zones to speed emergency notifications. The Board also discussed Roxborough evacuation routes (four egress options, plus emergency easement) and confirmed gate access protocols (keys/codes held by response agencies). The Board also expressed support for community outreach and preparedness workshops.

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March 3, 2026	Work Session: Biochar Facility	The Board approved a motion to staff to implement the plan as described.	Commissioners reviewed implementation plans for a combined biochar + household hazardous waste (HHW) + e-waste facility. Public Works projected the facility could generate \$2.2M annual revenue by Year 2 through biochar and compost sales against \$1.6M expenses, yielding ~\$600K net operating profit and enabling repayment of capital investments. Year 1 startup funding totals \$1.1M to be covered through reallocation within the existing Public Works operating budget and capital maintenance funds (no additional budget request stated). The County expects to reduce HHW/e-waste service costs from >\$250 per customer to <\$50, allowing elimination of existing participation caps; facility hours will be Mon–Sat starting July 1, with biochar production operating 24/7.
March 3, 2026	Building/Wildfire Code Updates	The Board approved a motion to implement building code adoption as described by staff.	The Board heard from Building Division and Community Development staff regarding the State wildfire resiliency code considerations associated with its future implementation. Staff also discussed planned Building Code updates.
March 3, 2026	HOA Permit Notification Policy	The Board approved a motion directed staff to discontinue courtesy HOA notifications tied to building permits and shift covenant compliance responsibility to homeowners/contractors.	The Board also discussed the Building Division's practice of notifying HOAs of certain building permit applications. The Board approved a motion directed staff to discontinue courtesy HOA notifications tied to building permits and shift covenant compliance responsibility to homeowners/contractors. Implementation tasks include adding permit boilerplate warnings that HOA approvals may also be required, integrating HOA compliance education into contractor "lunch and learns," and notifying HOAs that they must use the public permit portal going forward to obtain permit information.
March 3, 2026	Work Session: Fair and Rodeo Strategic Updates	In an approved Board motion, staff was directed to develop an agreement with the Foundation to manage distribution of the scholarship.	Commissioners approved expanding the Fair & Rodeo Royalty scholarship from \$1,500 total to \$10,000 annually administered through the Douglas County Fair Foundation (\$6,000 Queen / \$4,000 Attendant). In an approved Board motion, staff was directed to develop an agreement with the Foundation to manage distribution of the scholarship. For concert programming, the Board approved a motion directing staff to secure Third Eye Blind (estimated \$125K–\$150K) and Collective Soul (~\$100K) as co-headliners, with direction to pursue a Tier-2 opener (budget \$20K–\$30K). The Board approved adding Breakaway Roping on Thursday night of the Fair.
March 3, 2026	Aerial displays	The Board approved a motion directing staff to proceed with a plan to attempt a state record with 1,000+ drones during the Fair and approved a multi-show arrangement that includes New Year's Eve and Fair displays. For July 4 community partnerships, the Board approved a motion directing staff to proceed with funding requests for Highlands Ranch (~\$35,140) and Sterling Ranch (\$5,000). Staff was directed to revisit the Perry Park request with that community.	The Board reviewed proposed drone shows and fireworks show contributions for the year.

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March 3, 2026	Administrative Meeting	The Board adopted a motion directing staff to proceed with the proposal.	The Board discussed implementation of a proposed new employee engagement program and early planning for the 10-County Budget Conference. Human Resources staff proposed "Coffee with the Commissioners," an informal small-group discussion program (10–15 employees, one commissioner per session) initially proposed quarterly beginning Q2 2026; commissioners supported the concept and directed potential enhancements including increasing frequency (up to ~6 sessions/year) and department-specific visits for hard-to-leave work units.
March 9, 2026	Work Session: Various	The Board adopted a motion to advance the agritourism regulations to public hearings . Passed 3-0	The Board discussed proposed amendments to establish agritourism regulations, opting to reject a suggestion to cap the number of small-scale events in order to prevent creating barriers for rural operations
March 9, 2026	State Lobbyist Call	The Board voted to oppose four measures, including House Bill 1203 and Senate Bill 103. Conversely, the board moved to support two Senate bills, specifically highlighting an interest in expanding farm-to-table freedoms and food service deregulation. They also reached a consensus to seek amendments for Senate Bill 116 to protect senior tax exemptions while removing unfavorable provisions.	Douglas County Commissioners and State Lobbyists discuss legislative updates, grant requests, and local program revisions. The first session focuses on state lobbyist communications, with a motion to enter an executive session to address sensitive negotiations.
March 9, 2026	Freedom Fest	Board voted to provide financial support at a specific sponsorship tier and waive all rental fees for the use of the county fairgrounds. Passed 3-0	Organizers Jeff Hunt and Heidi Ganahl provided an update to the Board regarding the upcoming Freedom Fest event. Scheduled for June 2026, the festival aims to celebrate Colorado's 150th birthday through a mix of political discourse, family activities, and a rodeo
March 16, 2026	State Lobbyist Call	The Board moved to formally change the county's position on Senate Bill 2615 to an "amend" position. This motion included authorizing Commissioner Laydon to lead negotiations with the bill's sponsors. A consolidated motion was made to establish official stances on several other pieces of legislation. The motion was seconded and passed 2-0, resulting in the following actions: - Support: Senate Bill 2611 (addressing child rape), Senate Bill 111, and Bill 1257 (addressing massage facilities). - Oppose: Senate Bill 102.	Commissioner Laydon initiated a motion to enter into an executive session under section 24642 for SEC to discuss confidential legislative negotiating tactics.
March 23, 2026	Philip S. Miller Grant	Approval of the 2025 Philip S. Miller grant recommendations. Staff was given direction to bring the check presentations to a future business meeting, which is anticipated to take place in April. Passes 3-0	The Board unanimously approved a formal motion to finalize the 2025 Philip S. Miller grant awards, allocating a total of \$195,000 to support local organizations
March 25, 2026	State Lobbyist Call	Oppose House Bill 1327, which would create a new enterprise. Support House Bill 1337, which involves the topic of nuclear energy Support House Bill 1334, which addresses the wildfire resiliency code.	Following a private executive session regarding state legislative matters. The board formally voted to oppose House Bill 1327 while offering their support for House Bills 1334 and 1337, which address wildfire resiliency and nuclear energy.
April 6, 2026	Community Development Updates	The Board moved to approve the liquor license authority penalty guideline revisions as recommended by staff	Staff discussed potential discussed revisions to liquor and massage licensing processes, including the potential for a hearing officer to conduct some licensing hearings. The Board also discussed updates to the County's current penalty guidelines are proposed for alignment with State regulations and to provide for additional enforcement flexibility

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April 6, 2026	Community Development Updates	The Board adopted a motion, 3-0, to proceed with a referral of the proposed regulatory changes.	The Board reviewed regulations for rural property owners leasing out their land for short-term dog training and exercise, an issue that arose from a resident using the "Sniffspot" app. To balance property owner's rights with neighborhood concerns regarding traffic and noise, staff recommended allowing this as an accessory use in rural zone districts (Estate Residential, Rural Residential, and A1) provided they follow specific limits.
April 6, 2026	Community Development Updates	By a vote of 3-0, the Board directed staff to update the Miller Building's wall art and historic displays.	To celebrate the United States' 250th birthday and Colorado's 150th birthday in 2026, the county has planned a year-long series of events, historic ribbon cuttings, and public exhibits. Planned activities include public tours of a national archaeological site, historical exhibits at local libraries and the county fair, a drone show, and the opening of restored historical sites like the Spring Valley Schoolhouse, the Mick Helmer cabin, and the Evans Homestead.
April 8, 2026	State Lobbyist Call	The Board unanimously took the following positions on bills by Board motion: HB26-1120 - Mobile Home Property Taxation – Support SB26-144 - Modify Property Tax Lien Sales Treasurer Deeds & Fees – Amend SB26-141 - Wildlife Collision Prevention – Amend HB26-1053 - Motor Vehicle Regulation Administration – Support HB26-1113 - Modification of Elections – Amend SB26-103 - Remove Opposition	
April 13, 2026	Emergency Management Updates	Motion - Board institute a county pine beetle task force focused specifically on transportation resources. Passes 3-0.	Update for the Board from Emergency Management - Pine Beetle and Wildfire.
April 14, 2026	Administrative Meeting	The board passed two motions: a motion to appoint Virginia Love to the Douglas County Fair Board of Directors, and a motion to appoint former finance director Andrew Copeland to the Audit Committee	Discussion included on a record-breaking town hall with over 12,000 attendees, updates on an open meetings lawsuit where the county plans to file a motion to publish and a petition for rehearing, and authorization to negotiate with alternative bands for the county fair. Staff also discussed intergovernmental agreements for community corrections and a pedestrian bridge, volunteer appreciation and the launch of a new .gov website
April 27, 2026	Land Parcel Conveyance and Open Space Initiative	Motion: Authorizing County staff to work immediately with the School District to determine parcel pricing and move toward transfer. Passed 3-0. Commissioners emphasized the shared vision between the County and School District and directed staff to move quickly into valuation and acquisition discussions. Staff direction to negotiate, obtain prices, and proceed immediately on parcel conveyance for open space.	Following executive session, the Board publicly directed staff to begin immediate negotiations with the Douglas County School District and Board of Education regarding conveyance of identified parcels for open space preservation.
April 27, 2026	Open Space Acquisition Discussion	Staff direction to conduct a site visit and conduct due diligence, explore a potential offer.	Discussion of potential open space acquisition with site-specific discussion occurring in executive session in accordance with CRS 24-6-402(4) (a).
April 27, 2026	Energy and Water Regulations	Staff direction to return in two weeks with a memo outlining additional details, regulatory considerations, safety issues, federal grant opportunities, and examples from jurisdictions regarding how the SMR studies in those jurisdictions occurred or are expected to occur, including Colorado Springs, Gillette, and Idaho Falls.	Discussion of Small Modular Reactors and feasibility studies related thereto.
April 27, 2026	Energy and Water Regulations	Staff direction to provide additional analysis regarding the long term water conservation impacts of regulation of non-functional turf.	Discussion of regulation on nonfunctional turf.

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May 6, 2026	State Lobbyist Call	Motion: Oppose HB 1430, seconded and approved by majority; staff directed to communicate the official opposition position to state lobbyists.	State Lobbyist Call
May 19, 2026	Sheriff's Office Ordinance Discussion - Electric motorcycles	Motion: Direct County staff to prepare a draft ordinance for consideration at an upcoming business meeting, clarifying where appropriate the various classes of e-bikes that are excluded from the ordinance and motorcycles that are subject to the proposed regulations. 3-0	Discussion of the use of non street legal electric motorcycles on public roads and trails by minors.
May 19, 2026	Sheriff's Office Biometric Screening Funding Request	Motion: Direct staff to advance a contract for a new inmate biometric monitoring system to an upcoming business meeting. 3-0.	Discussion of inmate biometric monitoring system which uses wearable sensors to monitor inmates' heart rates, oxygen, and skin temperature.
May 19, 2026	Crisis Stabilization Unit update	Staff direction to advance the proposed \$3.4M funding agreement from the Opioid Settlement Fund, to Childrens Hospital for establishment of a youth crisis stabilization unit at their Highlands Ranch location.	
May 19, 2026	Resolution recognizing the service of Art Griffith	A formal motion was made to adopt a resolution recognizing the service of the late Art Griffith and advocating for a portion of US Highway 85 to be dedicated as the "Art Griffith Memorial Highway". The board recognized his extensive work in securing transportation funding for the county. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.	
May 26, 2026	Renaming Spruce Mountain Open Space	A motion was made to bring an agenda item to an upcoming business meeting to rename the Spruce Mountain Open Space to the "Mark Weston Open Space at Spruce Mountain". Passed 3-0.	
May 26, 2026	Community Development Updates	A motion was made to move a proposed zoning resolution amendment forward to public hearings, approved 3-0.	Staff presented post-referral comments related to a draft Zoning Resolution amendment that would eliminate the requirement for a Site Improvement Plan for attached single-family residential developments (duplexes). Multifamily residential would remain subject to SIP requirements.
May 26, 2026	Sedalia Water and Sanitation District Water Alternatives Request	A motion was made to approve a funding request of up to \$70,000 for Sedalia Water and Sanitation to conduct a water alternatives analysis. Approved 3-0.	Sedalia Water and Sanitation District requested funds to explore new, sustainable water sources and infrastructure partnerships. A recent study indicated that the District's current wells may have a shorter useful life than previously anticipated.
May 26, 2026	Board and Commission Appointments	Motion to appoint Kyle Moore to the Fair Board. Approved 3-0. Motion to appoint Leo Stegman to the Audit Committee. Approved 3-0.	
June 9, 2026	Work Session - Various: Highlands Ranch Independence Day Celebration	The Board passed a motion to initiate planning for a Fourth of July event. Approved 3-0.	The Board passed a motion to initiate planning for a Fourth of July event, with additional direction to staff for ongoing coordination with DCSO and other public safety entities; coordination with HRMD and HRCA; and exploration of a drone show as a potential alternative if available.