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Broncos 7K returns to Empower Field



On Sunday, August 31, the Denver Broncos are hosting the 13th Annual Broncos 7K presented by CommonSpirit, Ticketmaster, King Soopers, and Cigna. Participants start at Empower Field, head west through the Sloan's Lake neighborhood, return through the stadium

tunnel, and finish on the 50-yard line, just like the players. All runners receive a custom Broncos 7K medal and tee. The finisher's festival will feature food and beverages, music, photo opportunities with Miles and Cheer, and so much more! If runners want the medal and tee but can't make the race, they can sign up for the virtual option! To register or learn more, visit www.Broncos7K.com.



\$935 Million Bond Proposal Advances



City Council voted on August 4 to place the proposed \$935 million Vibrant Denver bond on the November ballot. Voters will weigh in on 59 capital projects. Nearly half of the funds would go to roads, bridges, and traffic/pedestrian safety.

The most expensive project listed is \$89 million for the 8th Avenue viaduct. \$50 million would go to

improvements on the 6th Avenue viaduct. Those projects caused considerable debate among some council members due to their proximity to Burnham Yard, rumored to be a potential site of a new Denver Broncos stadium.

Another \$55 million is slated for multimodal improvements on West 38th Avenue, where a cyclist was recently killed. Other proposed funding includes \$15 million for Aztlan Pool in Sunnyside, \$5 million for Sloan's Lake upgrades, and \$1 million for Hirshorn Park in Highlands. No projects are currently listed for Jefferson Park. Voters would have final say this fall.

https://denvergov.org/vibrantbond

Improvements to **Stadium Parking** Plan Confirmed!

In fall 2024, the City initiated a Curbside Area Management Plan for the stadium area. Details were recently released. The Residential Parking Permit program, also known as an "A" permit, has been enhanced to allow more people to benefit. The neighborhood will soon change from a Block Zone to an Area Zone. Instead of being limited to parking only on the specific block they live on, residents with a permit will be allowed to park anywhere within the "A" Area Zone.

Eligibility has also been expanded. Residents in larger multi-unit buildings with up to 50 addresses will finally be able to obtain a



permit. The plan further clarifies that the permits will only be enforced only during large stadium events of 50,000 attendees or more.

For residents who have a permit, no action is required. Addresses that are newly eligible will be receiving more information. Go to https:// www.denvergov.org/Vehicles-Parking

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CDOT Seeks Input on 23rd Avenue Bridge

Share your thoughts on the recommended alternatives and help shape the future of I-25. Colorado Department



of Transportation is hosting an inperson open house to discuss the Speer and 23rd Avenue interchange. This project will replace aging bridges and explore broader improvements

to the interchange and surrounding community connections. The team will be on-site to answer questions. Free parking is available in Lot M and food will be provided. Spanish interpretation and translated materials available upon request.

Monday, August 25 4:00 pm - 7:00 pmCDOT Headquarters 2920 W Howard Place

codot.gov/projects/studies/i25speerand23rd



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Colorado Dragon Boat Festival Celebrates 25 Years at Sloan's Lake



The nation's largest Dragon Boat Festival returns September 6-7 with new dates, cooler temps, COLORADO DRAGON BOAT and a massive milestone.

Attendees can expect expanded programming as CDBF celebrates 25 incredible years of cultural heritage, athletic competition, and community impact. Over 42 teams will race across Sloan's Lake, including competitors returning fresh from winning gold medals at the 2025 World Dragon Boat Championships. Highlights include over 100 marketplace vendors and 35 food vendors serving a diverse mix of authentic and mouthwatering Asian and global cuisines. Dragonland returns with even more cultural, educational, and familyfriendly programming for kids of all ages. Admission is free. Bike, walk, or take a free shuttle. Learn more at www.cdbf.org.





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Welcome to the Summer of RNO Reform!

Denver City Council is kicking off a major effort to update the city's *Registered Neighborhood Organization* (*RNO*) ordinance—and they want to hear from you. RNOs are groups formed by residents and property owners to share updates, organize events, and work on local projects. But not all RNOs operate the same way.

<u>Sunnyside United Neighbors (SUNI)</u> is one of the northside's most effective RNOs. They excel at events like their Annual BBQ, a monthly SUNI Sipper, and the upcoming Health & Wellness Festival at Chaffee Park on September 6th. Their Land Use Committee meets monthly on Zoom. Agendas are posted online. Meeting videos are on YouTube. Subscribe to their monthly e-newsletter for updates.

Berkeley-Regis United (BRUN) is Denver's largest RNO. They hold monthly virtual meetings of both their Board and Zoning Committees. They post the video recordings online and they publish position letters sent to City staff. BRUN stands out with their social media presence. Their Facebook page with 1.7 thousand followers provides daily posts.

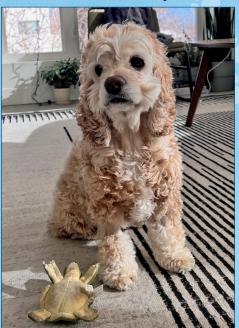
Jefferson Park United Neighbors (JPUN), in contrast, has struggled recently—holding only 2 meetings for General Members in both 2024 and 2025, with low turnout. Their newsletter has dropped from 12 issues a year to 2 this year. Four of seven board seats are vacant. Elections planned for April 2024 and June 2025 never occurred. Their Land Use Committee has been on hiatus since November 2023. The current President was first elected in February 2011.

The current ordinance guiding RNOs was written in the 1970s and hasn't been updated since. Councilwoman Gonzales-Gutierrez and Councilman Kashmann aim to modernize the rules for equity, accessibility, and transparency.

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Jefferson Park *Pet Spotlight:* **Sadie**

Sadie (middle name Hotdog) is a 6.5-year-old rescue Cocker Spaniel who loves running through the park with her favorite turtle toy. Sadie is a city girl at heart,





but you can find her checking out local hiking trails on the weekends with her parents. She's a big fan of climbing on large rocks but hates stream crossings — can't get those perfect floppy ears wet. Sadie's other hobbies include napping so hard she gets bed head, wagging her tail which resembles a tater tot, and staring at the kitchen floor waiting for food to drop.

Sadie has lived in Jeff Park since 2022. You can find her hanging out around the neighborhood most weekends. She especially loves walking past Sexy Pizza to sniff the "pizza wind" coming from the kitchen.



Want to see your pet featured next month?
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Bites & Brews in the

Featuring Eva Araujo

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What are you known for? We are best known for our breakfast burritos, but we have a full menu that includes a variety of traditional authentic Mexican food.

Most popular items Our breakfast burritos, Tacos, Enchiladas Suizas and for sure our home-made Agua de Horchata.

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Denver Broncos Home Game Schedule

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7: *Tennessee Titans* at 2:05 PM on FOX (SEASON OPENER)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29: Cincinnati Bengals at 6:15 PM on ABC (MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19: New York Giants at 2:05 PM on CBS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26: Dallas Cowboys at 2:25 PM on CBS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6: Las Vegas Raiders at 6:15 PM on Prime Video (THURSDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16: Kansas City Chiefs at 2:25 PM on CBS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14: Green Bay Packers at 2:25 PM on CBS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21: Jacksonville Jaguars at 2:05 PM on FOX

SATURDAY/SUNDAY, JANUARY 3-4: Los Angeles Chargers (TIME TBD)

