

# Looking@Lakewood

## Frequently asked questions springing up again

Warm weather often uncovers problems Lakewood residents become concerned about when it comes to their neighbors. The most frequent topics cover junk and rubbish in yards as well as overgrown weeds. But barking dogs, speeding, noise, graffiti and potholes also garner numerous questions every year.



Trade in your curiosity about these concerns for the facts by visiting [Lakewood.org/RequestLakewood](http://Lakewood.org/RequestLakewood), the city's online customer service center, where you can find answers to a wide variety of commonly asked questions. You can also enter a question or comment and report any issue to receive a timely response to your concern.

The list below covers many of the topics asked about most frequently.

- **Grass and weeds:** Residents are required to mow their lawns on a regular basis. Grass and weeds cannot exceed a height of six inches on residential or commercial properties and 12 inches on a vacant lot. Property owners are also required to maintain the area between their property line and the street.

- **Unlicensed or inoperable motor vehicles:** Only two unlicensed or inoperable motor vehicles or trailers are allowed to be parked outside on the property of a single-family or duplex home. The vehicles must be stored on an improved surface such as gravel,

asphalt or concrete and may only be parked in a side or backyard. If the side yard is less than 8 feet wide, the parking or storage of any vehicle is prohibited. Vehicles must be screened from view by a solid fence or covered with a fitted car cover. Unlicensed or inoperable motor vehicles are prohibited at apartment and other multifamily complexes.

- **Outdoor storage:** Outside storage of items such as tires, auto parts, waste building materials, trash and indoor furniture is not allowed. These items must be kept in a garage or storage shed. Typical outdoor items such as barbecue, patio furniture and toys are allowed.

- **Barking dogs:** Animal noise, especially barking dogs, is a common problem in neighborhoods. Because of the subjective nature of this type of disturbance, Lakewood Animal Control works to resolve the problem by encouraging neighbors to work together to find a reasonable solution. It is the dog owner's responsibility to find out what is causing the barking and to resolve the issue. Animal Control does not respond to anonymous animal noise complaints. Contact Animal Control if a neighborly conversation is not possible or a conversation has occurred, but the problem persists. If this is the case, call 303-987-7173 or visit the Request Lakewood website.

- **Junk and trash:** Trash must be removed from private property at least once a week to prevent an accumulation. Trash containers can be metal or plastic with tight fitting lids or commercial-type dumpsters. Trash bags that are strong enough not to rip under normal handling can be used. All containers must be stored on private property and may be placed curbside for no more than 48 hours before collection.

- **Grffiti:** If you see someone in the process of painting graffiti, please call 911 immediately. Otherwise, please submit information, and a photo if you want, to the Request Lakewood website. Cleaning up graffiti is the responsibility of the property owner, and immediate removal is recommended whenever possible to send a clear message that graffiti is not tolerated. Limit access to areas that have been tagged by adding fencing or shrubs and improve lighting to discourage graffiti. Painting, power washing and chemical solvents are commonly

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Cops That Cook is a great event for kids and the whole family to meet, talk with and even get pictures taken with Lakewood Police agents. Get the details about this annual event on page 4.

## Park renamed to honor outstanding resident



If the old saying that names have power is true, then the recent renaming of a Lakewood park will carry the weight of both national history and pivotal moments in the city's story.

The Glenn Heights Homeowners Association has received approval to rename one of its neighborhood parks after James E. Harrison, a longtime resident known for his remarkable community service who

also helped bring integration to military and civilian aviation.

Harrison was born in 1925 in Fordyce, Arkansas, a small railroad town not far from a Civil War battlefield. As an African American, he overcame segregation and prejudice to serve his country with distinction when he joined the U.S. Army Corps in 1944 as a fighter pilot with the illustrious Tuskegee Airmen. Until the formation of this program, African Americans were barred from flying for the U.S. military. But pressure from civil rights organizations and black newspapers resulted in the Army Air Corps training African Americans to fly and maintain combat aircraft. The Tuskegee Airmen included pilots, navigators, bombardiers, instructors and all levels of personnel needed to keep planes and

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Lakewood is turning 50 this year. Find stories and anniversary events on page 5.

# Letter from the Mayor



## Former mayors help celebrate 50th anniversary

Hello to July! Summer is in full swing, and what a spring we have had. Hitting the slopes a few more times is possible because of all the welcomed snowpack. I hope you enjoyed the second annual Big Boom Bash, and while you're out relishing summer evenings please come out on Wednesday nights for Lakewood's Summer Concert Series at the Bonfils-Stanton Amphitheater or a Friday night free concert on the plaza in Belmar. In early August, we will celebrate National Night Out, so make your plans now to enjoy an evening meeting neighbors and building community. For a list of our engaging events, please visit [Lakewood.org](http://Lakewood.org).

We continue to celebrate Lakewood's 50th and recently opened "Lakewood: A 20th Century

Journey," a new permanent exhibit at the Heritage Center commemorating the city's evolution through today. It is accompanied by "Welcome to the Big City" exhibit highlighting Lakewood's incorporation and the year it happened, 1969. On June 24, we celebrated the anniversary of our incorporation with many former council members and mayors at that night's council meeting 50 years from the day voters created the city. It was an honor to see so many past leaders who have guided Lakewood through the years. Three of our most recent former mayors attended, and former Mayor Linda Shaw watched in spirit from Arizona. It was cool to hear from them. Mayor Linda Morton noted that serving was "hard work but one of the most worthwhile things I have ever done in my life." Mayor Steve Burkholder spoke to the great sense of community and the partnerships between elected officials, staff, community and businesses: "Let's continue to work together in a sense of civility and a sense of what's best for us not only today but in the future." Mayor Bob Murphy spoke to the characteristics of great representation through public service exhibited by 50 years of council members, volunteers and neighbors coming together to lead the city. "That has been the continuous theme through the

history of this great city," he said. We have so much to celebrate. What a wonderful community.

Council will continue its work this summer on multiple topics including development, sustainability, micromobility involving devices such as electric scooters and budget preparation. Please get engaged via one of the city's many platforms, especially [LakewoodSpeaks.org](http://LakewoodSpeaks.org) for council meetings and [LakewoodTogether.org](http://LakewoodTogether.org) for a variety of topics.

An ongoing issue that I have written about is homelessness. We are working with the other cities and Jefferson County on a variety of aspects to address this complex issue. One effort underway is to conduct the first-ever Comprehensive Homeless Count in Jefferson County to provide a clearer assessment of homelessness in our suburban community where services are scattered and sometimes nonexistent. This will help us design services and policies to better address homelessness. Volunteers are needed for this effort, so please get involved (see story on page 6).

The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless was recently denied its appeal for acquiring land on the Federal Center, which will now most likely move to a public auction of the property. While the coalition's

proposal was controversial, we still need to address homelessness in our community, and I am hopeful we will make progress because we have a long way to go on this challenge.

I want to congratulate the staff and residents because Lakewood is one of 10 cities selected as a finalist for the Cities of Service Engaged Cities Award. This international award recognizes cities that become partners with residents to solve a diverse range of problems, and we were selected based on the Sustainable Neighborhoods Program, an innovative resident-driven initiative addressing sustainability and livability.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. If you would ever like to meet to discuss anything, my door is always open. Just send me an email, and I'll make it happen. In closing, please slow down, don't speed and never text while driving. If you are pedestrian or bicyclist, please obey the rules especially when crossing the street. Arrive Alive!

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## Council Corner

## Ward 4



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David Skilling

## Time to sit back and unwind

Summer is finally here, ushering in long days, warm weather, and plenty of activities. For many of us, this includes hiking around Green Mountain, spending lazy afternoons at Soda Lakes, and exploring the many natural wonders both in and around Lakewood. Hopefully you attended the second annual Big Boom Bash — clearly one of the best fireworks shows anywhere — and maybe even made a few new friends along the way. However you choose to enjoy the summer, be sure to take advantage of all that Lakewood has to offer. Here are a few ideas to get you started.

### Veterans' memorials

The July Fourth holiday is not just about hotdogs, watermelon, and family gatherings. It's a day where we not only celebrate our country's freedom but also remember those who ensured it. Unfortunately, a

recent survey showed that the vast majority of veterans in the city — and likely residents as a whole — are unaware that Lakewood has five memorials throughout the city (see the list below for details). We need to change that by getting the word out and by inviting all residents to join in the ongoing discussions at City Hall. Proposals include creating a new memorial/gathering place, staging a citywide event honoring veterans, and expanding veteran outreach programs. Please let us know what you think and stay tuned for updates.

- Blue Star Memorial Park is at 12655 W. Colfax Ave.
- The Lakewood WWII Memorial is at 9700 W. Eighth Ave., and Lakewood Memorial Field is at 7655 W. 10th Ave.
- American Legion Post 178 Memorial Garden is at 1655 Simms St.
- Desert Storm Plaque is at Kendrick Lake Park, 9351 W. Jewell Ave.
- Vietnam Jeffco Platoon Commemorative Bench is outside the Lakewood Public Safety Center, 445 S. Allison Parkway.

### William F. Hayden Park on Green Mountain

When someone asks where Ward 4 is located within the city, it's easiest just to say, "Green Mountain." But William Frederick Hayden Park (as it's officially named) is much more than a geographic landmark rising to

over 6,800 feet high. With over 2,400 acres and dozens of miles of trails, Hayden is the perfect place to spend the day hiking, mountain biking, or even on the back of a horse. Be sure to bring your camera, as there's likely no better place to see the wonderful wildlife that flourishes in the area. For additional information, visit [Lakewood.org/HaydenPark](http://Lakewood.org/HaydenPark).

### Soda Lakes at Bear Creek Lake Park

Ever wondered what on earth is going on at those lakes next to C-470? Well come check it out! The park offers everything from waterskiing to paddleboarding and kayaking to sunning on the beach. A beach you say? In Lakewood? It's true, there is a swim beach for both kids and adults who are kids at heart. So, bring your favorite beach and lake toys (or rent them there) and join in the fun. If watersports aren't your thing, enjoy the rest of the park with its miles of hiking/biking trails, scenic walks, and numerous picnic shelters. Here's the link for more information: [Lakewood.org/BCLP](http://Lakewood.org/BCLP).

### Catch up on the happenings at City Hall

It's been a busy year for City Council, and summer is no different. We've continued to make significant changes to the Zoning Code to address concerns with growth and development, passed important

restrictions to limit days and times of construction, and will continue discussing micromobility issues (e.g. e-bikes and e-scooters) and short-term rentals. Of course, it's not just City Council that's making important decisions for our city. Just as this article was set for publication, the votes on Ballot Question 200 were tallied. The majority favored "yes," meaning Council will need to take steps to implement the new measures when they take effect. Regardless of which side you were on, thank you for voting and making your voices heard. Regardless of the outcome, it is critical that we all be engaged and involved in our community.

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How retail is evolving

It is an exciting time as economic developers to be working with retail, as the industry is undergoing significant, fundamental transformation. With more than 10 years of powerful reinvention in the industry behind us and likely more than a decade of transformational change ahead of us, the retail landscape is looking different every day.

The basics of retail remain rooted in meeting consumers’ demand for conveniently accessed quality products at reasonable prices — a foundation that will go unchanged. What is changing is the way retailers weave access, quality and price together with technology and 24-hour convenience. The consumer experience is being completely reinvented as the marketplaces of the future are being created.

Millennials, those aged 21-35 years, are driving much of this change because they overtook baby boomers as the largest generation in U.S. history in 2019. The number of boomers, those aged 55-73, is shrinking at the same time that millennials are heading into their prime retail consumption years. Lakewood is no exception; the millennial population is growing rapidly in the city.

The often-repeated story about retail is that massive numbers of sales are migrating to the internet because consumers are doing all their shopping online rather than in brick-and-mortar stores. Certainly, shoppers are using computers and smartphones as part of the retail purchasing process, but the ways consumers, particularly millennials, view access, quality and price are more complicated than just “buying online.”

Numbers from the U.S. Census Bureau illustrate this. Retail sales hit a record of \$6 trillion in 2018, a 50% increase from the low point during

the Great Recession. But only about one in 10 of those retail transactions was an online sale. These numbers show that the actual experience associated with retail purchases is driving these record-setting sales.

For the larger number of today’s consumers, the retail purchase is no longer just about the quality of goods, or the prices, or a selection of products being easily available in a nearby store. It is the overall shopping experience driving consumers’ behavior. As an example, millennials might look for their purchases initially online, where the volume of merchandise and the comparison of similar products is as deep as all of the internet. But then, they may choose to have their online selections shipped to a nearby store. Ship-to-store options typically avoid shipping charges, and the consumer can “touch and feel” the product before finalizing the sale at their neighborhood location.

Brands like Under Armor and Sephora have a heavy online presence combining a mobile app with in-store shopping to create an integrated and fun shopping experience. (Under Armor opened in the Colorado Mills Mall in June, and Sephora will open in Belmar in late 2019.) A new report from behavioral marketing firm, SmarterHQ, suggests that 50% of millennials prefer purchasing in brick-and-mortar stores over purchasing online even though most millennials are constantly connected to their tablets and smartphones. To appeal to this generation and capture sales, smart retailers are getting creative by offering consumers an experience they won’t find on the internet alone or in the store alone.

We are all busy, and many of us look for ways to simplify our lives, and technology offers ways to reshape and simplify the shopping experience. Smartphones allow



consumers to shop wherever and whenever, allowing them to select items from the internet in the morning and then pick them up at the store in the evening.

Grocery stores like King Soopers have jumped on the bandwagon with one-hour grocery delivery and ClickList, a service that allows shoppers to select items online and pick them up at the store without ever leaving their vehicles. Many supercenters, including Walmart and Target, offer the ability to select items online then pay and pick them up at the store in a transaction lasting less than two minutes.

Successful brick-and-mortar retailers understand these changes and are evolving rather than following the fate of several legacy retailers now out of business because they failed to evolve. The closures of these high-profile retail stores in recent years have spawned talk of the “retail apocalypse.” But the numbers don’t quite bear this out because far more retailers have opened than have closed. North American retailers opened 12,663 stores and closed 8,828 stores in 2018, for a net increase of

3,835 locations, according to IHL Group. Grocery stores, drug stores, supercenters and convenience stores are expanding locations. Department stores, specialty soft goods (shoes, apparel) and specialty hard goods (electronics, sporting goods, books, furniture) are reducing locations.

Stores that are surviving and thriving use the basics of retail augmented with and transformed by technology to give consumers convenience, access, quality, experience and reasonable prices.



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Welcome to

GRAND OPENINGS

LISTED BELOW ARE OPENINGS OF NEW LAKEWOOD BUSINESSES.

**African Grill and Bar**  
955 S. Kipling Parkway  
720-229-7778  
[AfricanGrillCo.com](http://AfricanGrillCo.com)

**Escape Factory**  
610 Garrison St., Suite R  
720-542-3212  
[EscapeFactoryGames.com](http://EscapeFactoryGames.com)

**Farmhouse Thai Eatery**  
98 Wadsworth Blvd., Suite 117  
303-237-2475  
[FarmhouseThaiEatery.com](http://FarmhouseThaiEatery.com)

**Incline Family Dentistry**  
3333 S. Wadsworth Blvd., Suite D305  
303-985-1615  
[InclineDentistry.com](http://InclineDentistry.com)

**#Poke**  
12792 W. Alameda Parkway  
303-984-0208

**Under Armour**  
14500 W. Colfax Ave.  
720-279-7405  
[UnderArmour.com](http://UnderArmour.com)

**Reddy Claws**  
3234 S. Wadsworth Blvd., Suite N  
720-428-8212  
[ReddyClaws.com](http://ReddyClaws.com)

To submit a listing, visit [Lakewood.org/GrandOpenings](http://Lakewood.org/GrandOpenings).

# ARTS & PARKS

RECREATION AND FITNESS	ARTS AND HISTORY	COMMUNITY EVENTS	OUTDOOR EVENTS
<b>July Park and Recreation Month</b> Discounted events and activities. <a href="http://Lakewood.org/July">Lakewood.org/July</a>	 <b>LCC PRESENTS</b> <b>2019–2020 SEASON</b>  <b>World-class music, theater and dance.</b>  Season subscriptions and create-your-own packages available now. Single tickets go on sale August 1. <a href="http://Lakewood.org/LCCPresents">Lakewood.org/LCCPresents</a>	  <b>July 24</b> Chris Daniels & the Kings  <b>July 31</b> Mike Nash & Southern Drawl Band <a href="http://Lakewood.org/SummerConcerts">Lakewood.org/SummerConcerts</a>	<b>Campfire Programs</b> <b>Saturdays through August 3</b> Roast marshmallows, learn about wildlife and more! <a href="http://Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents">Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents</a>
<b>Aqua Fitness Fun Week</b> <b>July 29-August 3</b> Zumba party, two free days and prizes. <a href="http://Lakewood.org/AquaFitness">Lakewood.org/AquaFitness</a>			<b>Nature Hike at Bear Creek Lake Park</b> <b>August 10</b> Guided by a park naturalist. <a href="http://Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents">Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents</a>
<b>Bark-N-Splash Bash</b> <b>August 10, 11 and 25</b> After pools close, it's Fido's turn for a swim. <a href="http://Lakewood.org/BarkNSplash">Lakewood.org/BarkNSplash</a>	  <b>History Happy Hour</b> <b>September 10</b> West Colfax in neon lights. <a href="http://Lakewood.org/HistoryHH">Lakewood.org/HistoryHH</a>	  <b>September 20</b> <b>Clements Community Center</b> <a href="http://Lakewood.org/CopsThatCook">Lakewood.org/CopsThatCook</a>	<b>Trail Running Series</b> <b>September 4, 11, 18 and 25</b> <a href="http://Lakewood.org/TrailRunning">Lakewood.org/TrailRunning</a>
<b>The Fitness Court® Launch Party</b> <b>September 4</b> <b>Addenbrooke Park</b> <a href="http://Lakewood.org/AddenbrookePark">Lakewood.org/AddenbrookePark</a>			<b>National Public Lands Day</b> <b>September 28</b> Volunteer project at Bear Creek Greenbelt. <a href="http://Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents">Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents</a>

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pilots in the air. The unit became one of the most highly respected fighter groups of World War II and helped encourage the eventual integration of the U.S. armed forces.

When the war ended, Harrison served in Japan and Korea, and he attained the rank of major as a B-52 commander with the U.S. Air Force's Strategic Air Command. In 2007, Harrison and other surviving Tuskegee Airmen received the Congressional Gold Medal, the highest civilian award presented by the U.S. Congress, for their committed service to their country. His experience led to a long career as a pilot and flight instructor with United Airlines at a time when few blacks held such positions.

He purchased a home in 1965 on South Miller Street in Glennon Heights, where he become known as someone who cared deeply about his neighborhood and his community. He joined the homeowners association and either led or participated in the HOA until his death in 2010. As a board member, he was instrumental in getting the neighborhood's streets paved. He also worked on Lakewood's incorporation in 1969. He served as a longtime neighborhood block captain for the Police Department's Neighborhood Watch Program, an initiative that involves residents in

crime prevention efforts. "Just about everyone knew Harrison as a friend and local leader," the HOA's application for renaming the park said, adding that it would honor the city's "heritage and diversity."

The HOA applied for the change under the city's "outstanding person" category for renaming parks or other facilities. This category requires that the person made sustained and lasting contributions to the city and has been deceased for seven years. The HOA also has raised \$2,500 to contribute to a new park sign and memorial plaque from neighborhood residents, the Tuskegee Airmen, the Knights of Columbus where he was a member and other organizations. City Council approved the renaming at its June 10 meeting.

Extensive outreach in the neighborhood by the HOA including a survey garnered universal support for the name change.

"He was just a wonderful human being and was there for the community and anybody that needed help," Heidi Barthel told City Council during the meeting. 📍

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A park dedication to honor Harrison will take place at 11 a.m. on Aug. 26 at the park at 544 S. Simms St.  
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**FRIENDS OF PAHA** is an organization committed to raising funds for Camp Paha and Paha Adults in Transition (PAT), day camps for children and young adults with disabilities run by Lakewood. Campers participate in aquatics, sports, nature & science, music & drama, outdoor activities and arts & crafts along with field trips in the community. The Friends of Paha board of directors invites you to participate in this year's fundraising auction.

**We hope you can join us.**  
[FriendsOfPaha.org](http://FriendsOfPaha.org)



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# Lakewood's 50th Anniversary Celebration



## Car No. 25: Ride with history



Even though Lakewood is celebrating its 50th anniversary as a city this year, it has touchstones to history stretching back more than 100 years, and the interurban railway Car No. 25 is one of those.

The metro area once had an extensive electric rail system that included 40 miles of interurban railroads connecting Denver, Lakewood, Golden and Boulder. One was the Denver & Inter-mountain Railway, which later became Denver & Intermountain Railroad. It ran on a 13-mile route from Denver through Lakewood to Golden on what was known as Route 84. The track through Lakewood ran essentially where the W light rail line currently operates. The company added Car No. 25 to its service on Feb. 17, 1911.

The car was built by the Woeber Carriage Company of Denver and is the last remaining intact, electric rail car that once served the Denver area. That status has earned it a listing in both the National Register of Historic Places and the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties.

Its importance encompasses both

its status as a living artifact and its representation of a social institution. The car, commonly referred to as a trolley, carried commuters to and from work. Gov. John C. Vivian rode the car from the Wide Acres station to the state Capitol during his term from 1943 to 1947. It was also important to students, serving those attending the Colorado School of Mines in Golden. Special cars operated mid-morning to carry school children to the Lakewood School District, the Daniels School and grade and high schools in Golden.

The trolley was also a popular weekend excursion, with locals and tourists carrying picnic baskets for a trip to Golden where they could transfer to a funicular railway climbing Lookout Mountain to Buffalo Bills Grave or South Table Mountain to Castle Rock. Residents of what would later become Lakewood remember riding Car No. 25 to movies in Denver.

Some local families might even want to toast the old trolley because many couples “conducted their

courtship aboard the trolleys,” according to the application for the national registry.

During active duty times at Camp George West in Golden, the car filled with soldiers reporting for duty. It also carried the U.S. mail, parcels and daily newspapers for delivery to neighborhoods along the line.

The car stopped operating on June 4, 1950, as interurban companies couldn’t keep up with the aging rail equipment, the surge in popularity of automobiles and improvements to publicly funded highways.

Beginning in 1988, the Rocky Mountain Railroad Club Historical Foundation embarked on a 22-year full restoration of the car, involving more than 500 donors and 96 volunteers contributing 24,000 hours. The city now owns the car and rolls it out each summer for a short ride from its storage facility at the Federal Center.

## CAR NO. 25 OPEN HOUSE

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Aug. 10  
Denver Federal Center—Gate 1  
Building No. 78  
LIVE MUSIC, KIDS’ ACTIVITIES,  
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## FUN FACTS ABOUT CAR NO. 25

- Running time for the 13-mile line between Denver and Golden was about 40 minutes and included 15 stops.
- Reversible and bench seats provided places for 52 passengers with room for 72 standing. Originally, the seating was divided between the main compartment and a smaller smoking compartment.
- Oil stoves at each end of the car initially provided heating for passengers. Electric heaters were mounted under each seat sometime before August 1920.
- Small sandboxes at the corners of the car allowed sand to be thrown on the tracks for traction when needed.
- The “double-ended” car had electric controls on both ends that allowed a motorman to run the car in either direction without turning it around at the end of the run.

# CIDER DAYS

## OCTOBER 5 & 6

Kids’ Amusements • Live Entertainment • Historic Demonstrations  
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[Lakewood.org/Plaza](http://Lakewood.org/Plaza)

## Test your knowledge

Visit [Lakewood.org/50](http://Lakewood.org/50) for the weekly trivia question to see how well you know Lakewood. Also, get ready for a new scavenger hunt launching on the site soon.

## Hot off the press

Lakewood’s commemorative anniversary book is now in the 20th Century Emporium Museum Store at the Lakewood Heritage Center and other Lakewood facilities. Find out where to buy a copy at [Lakewood.org/Emporium](http://Lakewood.org/Emporium).



# Modern technology helps address age-old problem of flooding



A large part of the system that manages runoff from thunderstorms and melting snow involves pipes buried underground. That makes it challenging for the city to detect problems and fix them, but modern technology is providing pioneering solutions.

Enter the robotic camera and plastic pipe liners. The city's Stormwater Management Utility is using the camera that can be lowered into underground pipes accessed through manholes, inlets or ends of pipes to detect damage, corrosion, clogs, misaligned connections and other problems. The footage from the camera allows the city's stormwater crews to

address issues, ideally even before they cause sinkholes or contribute to flooding.

Take the situation that developed in the city's drainage easement along Union Boulevard as an example. The robotic camera showed that the bottom portion of a drainage pipe was completely corroded, and storm runoff was continuing to erode the soil below the pipe, threatening to create a sinkhole in a parking lot. To avoid shutting down the parking lot serving the Jose O'Shea restaurant, crews inserted a plastic liner into the pipe to fix the problem. The liner expanded and was cured with steam to create a new plastic pipe within the existing metal pipe, eliminating the need to dig a trench in the parking lot to remove and replace the corroded metal pipe. The camera then was used to inspect the new plastic pipe to ensure the curing process was complete.

This case is just one example of how the city's Stormwater Management Utility works to maintain, repair and improve the city's drainage system to protect residents and properties from flooding and related issues. These efforts help increase the community's safety by reducing the possibility of property damage and

injury from flooding. It also improves the quality of life for residents and businesses because flooding can affect everyone if roads and other areas are blocked or damaged.

Lakewood has 18 drainages running generally west to east that contain 100-year flood plains and thousands of inlets, grates and pipes that must be inspected, maintained and repaired through funds provided by the stormwater utility service charge.

The Union corridor work was one of the projects that crews completed last year. Additional work in 2018 is shown below and is available in the utility's annual report online at [Lakewood.org/Stormwater](http://Lakewood.org/Stormwater).

- Inspected 1,264 inlets, more than six miles of gulches and about 80 trash racks and grates.
- Removed over 40 cubic yards of trash from several camps.
- Removed 350 cubic yards of debris and tree limbs.
- Replaced pipes and culverts including at West 10th Avenue and Teller Street, and West Colfax Avenue and Hoyt Street.
- Completed several construction projects to stabilize bank erosion in gulches.
- Updated master plans for addressing flooding in several locations.



## Briefs



### Lakewood named finalist for Engaged Cities Award

Lakewood is one of 10 cities selected as a finalist for the Cities of Service Engaged Cities Award, a recognition program that elevates the work of cities to become partners with residents to solve a diverse range of problems. The city's selection is based on Lakewood's Sustainable Neighborhoods Program, where resident-driven initiatives have addressed increasing the tree canopy, reducing waste, improving energy efficiency and several other issues. Three winning cities will be named in October and receive a total of \$200,000. Learn more at [Lakewood.org/News](http://Lakewood.org/News).

### Free Lakewood Civics Academy

Applications for the Lakewood Civics Academy are open. You can experience a court trial, ride in a snowplow, learn how your local tax dollars are spent and much more in this free class for Lakewood residents. You gain an understanding of city government far beyond what you might have learned in school. More information and online applications are available at [Lakewood.org/CivicsAcademy](http://Lakewood.org/CivicsAcademy).

### Race to stop child abuse

Join the race to stop child abuse by running 1,640 feet at the Ralston House's "endurance challenge" on Aug. 10 in the Belmar Plaza in Lakewood. The Ralston House helps children who have been victims of domestic and sexual abuse, and it works closely with multiple police departments including Lakewood's. Enjoy a pancake breakfast, get a race T-shirt and win prizes — all before noon. Learn more and register at [RalstonHouse.org/Race](http://RalstonHouse.org/Race).



### O'Kane Historic District

Lakewood has been awarded a grant from the History Colorado State Historical Fund for work on the O'Kane Historic District. The grant will pay for preparing construction drawings for the main house, the bunk house and the barn, and the drawings are the first step in the rehabilitation process for these structures. The O'Kane Farm at 6795 W. First Ave. in O'Kane Park was listed in 2017 as Lakewood's first local historic district. The site is an excellent example of a rare intact collection of early farm buildings typical of a small dairy dating to the late 1880s and exemplifies the agricultural roots of Lakewood.

### First-ever Comprehensive Homeless Count

Efforts are underway to conduct the first-ever Comprehensive Homeless Count in Jefferson County through a coordinated effort of numerous agencies and cities including Lakewood. The number of people facing homelessness in the county appears to be increasing, and the makeup of those who are experiencing it is also changing. Jeffco's effort will expand the count beyond those living on the streets or in shelters to include individuals and families who are couch surfing or living in motels and other unstable, unsafe situations. This count will be different than one conducted for the federal government so that a full picture of homelessness in a suburban community where services are scattered and sometimes nonexistent can be created. This will help agencies and cities design services and policies to better address homelessness. Volunteers are needed for this effort in August. Learn more and sign up to volunteer at [HeadingHomeJeffco.com/get\\_involved](http://HeadingHomeJeffco.com/get_involved).



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used to remove graffiti, but property owners should consult with a graffiti removal company for the best way to remove graffiti on sensitive surfaces.

• **Potholes:** To report a pothole, use the Request Lakewood website or call the Public Works Maintenance Division at 303-987-7950. Several of the major roads in Lakewood are maintained by the Colorado Department of Transportation. Those include West Colfax Avenue, West Sixth Avenue, Sheridan and Wadsworth boulevards, Morrison Road, Hampden Avenue and Kipling Parkway. Report potholes on these highways to CDOT at [CODOT.gov](http://CODOT.gov) by clicking on the “contact us” button at the bottom of the page.

• **Speeding:** There are several effective traffic calming methods that can be used to discourage motorists from speeding, and the Police Department works with

the Public Works Department to determine if excess speeding can be controlled through enforcement. To report excessive speeding or to request increased traffic enforcement, please submit a request to the Request Lakewood website.

• **RV parking:** All recreational vehicles or travel trailers must be parked on an improved surface and parked on private property. When loading and unloading the vehicle, RVs may be parked on the street in front of the registered owner’s home for a maximum of 48 hours for loading and unloading only. One permit for each calendar year for an address can be issued for RV parking on the street for two weeks.

• **Outdoor fire pits:** Smoke from recreational fires can be a nuisance to neighbors, particularly when it poses a health issue. Residents are encouraged to talk

with their neighbors to resolve any concerns. Recreational devices such as chimeneas and fire pits are allowed if no fire ban is in place. The manufacturer instructions should be followed, and the devices should be more than 15 feet from a structure or combustible material. West Metro Fire Rescue investigates complaints submitted to [WestMetroFire.org](http://WestMetroFire.org) on the “contact us” page.

• **Trailers and boats:** Trailers hauling boats or other vehicles that are not self-propelled are restricted from parking in front of a residential lot for more than six hours. Long-term parking of trailers, horse trailers and boats must be on private property on an improved surface such as gravel or concrete. Commercial vehicles including tow trucks and semitrucks cannot park on private property or city streets. Vehicles or a vehicle with a trailer longer than 25 feet cannot park in front of a residence unless those vehicles are providing service to a property within 200 feet of where they are parked.

• **Noise:** Unreasonable noise within the city is unlawful. Noise disturbances can be reported to the nonemergency number at 303-980-7300 when the noise is occurring. It is also unlawful for any person to operate any vehicle not equipped with an adequate muffler. If you are experiencing an ongoing, recurring noise disturbance including from construction, please use the Request Lakewood website. [A](#)

## Voters approve Ballot Question 200

Lakewood voters approved Ballot Question 200 to limit residential growth in the city, based on the unofficial results that were available as this newsletter was printed.

Those results showed 53% voted for the question and 47% voted against it, with the results becoming official when they are certified. For updates on the official results, please visit [Lakewood.org/SpecialElection](http://Lakewood.org/SpecialElection).

The ballot question asked Lakewood voters to limit residential growth to no more than 1% per year by implementing a permit allocation system for new dwelling units and to require City Council approval of allocations for projects of 40 or more units.

Visit [Lakewood.org/PermitAllocations](http://Lakewood.org/PermitAllocations) to learn how the city will initially determine if a building permit will require an allocation under the new law.

The special election occurred because Lakewood residents filed an initiative petition to create a new city law for governing how the city issues permits for construction of new houses, townhomes, condominiums, apartments and other residences. [A](#)

## E-Court available in Lakewood

Everything is going digital these days, and that includes Lakewood’s Municipal Court. With the launch of a new records management system, the city has created an “e-court” to better serve residents, help employees work more efficiently and enhance sustainability.

The new digital system allows individuals to make online payments for court fines and fees 24 hours a day seven days a week, view upcoming court dates and even see whether they have active warrants. The e-court system can also be used to make record requests and provides a highly efficient way to manage cases.

Judges no longer rely on paper

files and view all reports, motions and information on the computer. Attorneys can file items for cases electronically, and the judges can input electronic data including orders, rulings, warrants, pleas, sentences and other legal decisions in the system. Through separate portals for defendants, service providers, public defenders, attorneys, police and other customers of the court, e-court information is accessible on mobile devices, and the information can be customized for each portal.

Evolving to a paper-on-demand system will reduce the Municipal Court’s ecological footprint and enhance sustainability through a 60% reduction in the use of paper in daily operations.

The new e-court replaces an aging records management system that has been in place since March 2005. The new system has been available for a few months at [MuniCourtPortal.Lakewood.org](http://MuniCourtPortal.Lakewood.org).

## CITY OF LAKEWOOD

### CLEANUP DAY!

#### clear out, reuse, recycle

Lakewood residents will have the opportunity to clear out unwanted appliances, furniture, electronics and other items from their homes and get those items reused or recycled during Lakewood’s free citywide Cleanup Day from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 12 at the Jeffco Stadium, 500 Kipling St.

Drop-off is free for items except televisions and computer monitors containing a cathode ray tube (CRT) found in older box-like devices. These items will cost \$20 to drop off (cash only). Flat screen TVs likely don’t contain a CRT and can be dropped off for free.

Residents need to bring proof that they live in Lakewood and allow plenty of time to drop off items as Cleanup Day is very popular. Residents must enter the site from Kipling Street and will be directed to exit onto the West Sixth Avenue Frontage Road.

For a complete list of items that will be accepted during Cleanup Day, call 303-987-7193 or visit [Lakewood.org/Cleanup](http://Lakewood.org/Cleanup).

This year, the city is a partner with 3R Technologies, certified e-waste recycling experts, to lead Cleanup Day efforts. Arc Thrift Stores also will be on-site to accept donations of gently used household items, clothing, small appliances and small furniture.

Regular recyclable items such as plastic bottles, newspaper, glass, cardboard and cans as well as yard waste will not be accepted. Tree trimmings, branches and shrubs can be taken to Jefferson County slash drop-off locations, with an event on Oct. 26-27 at Thunder Valley Motocross, 701 S. Rooney Road in Lakewood. For more information on slash collection, visit [Jeffco.us/Slash](http://Jeffco.us/Slash). [A](#)



### Mark your calendar

for the West Metro Veterans Fair

Sept. 24, 2019  
11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Lakewood Elks Lodge 1777  
1455 Newland St., Lakewood, CO

For more information, email  
[Veterans@Lakewood.org](mailto:Veterans@Lakewood.org)

## Get Involved

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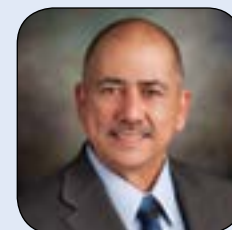


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# Questions, concerns or requests?

**W**e want to hear from you about your questions, concerns or requests. Use the comment card below to mail us your request. If you prefer to go online, visit [Lakewood.org/RequestLakewood](https://Lakewood.org/RequestLakewood) or download the GoRequest app for your mobile device. Residents can, of course, always call, starting with the main phone number, 303-987-7000.



## Comment Card

To create open communication between residents and the City of Lakewood, we are providing this card for your comments or suggestions. After filling it out, clip it and mail it to:

City of Lakewood, City Manager's Office  
480 S. Allison Parkway  
Lakewood, CO 80226-3127

[illegible]

Name\*\*

**Street Address**

City

**ZIP Code**

## Email

**Phone (Work)****Phone (Home)**

**\*\*If you are reporting a zoning violation, please provide the exact location; do not give your name, address or phone number.**