

Common Area Committee Minutes April 21st, 2026

Attendance: Doug Parris, Charles Goretsky, Karl Kabanek Tom Norton, James Dugan, Nat Walts

Meeting was called to order at 5:30PM by Vice Chair Goretsky. Agenda and March 2026 minutes were approved.

Public comment: None

Update from April BOD Meeting—Director Parris:

- Approved all concrete and cobble projects.
- The District is not moving forward with Inspiration Lane & Gartrell Road intersection median project; it was deemed too expensive and complicated.
- Discussed Aurora Parkway and Gartrell Road Bridge expansion projects.
- Mr. Dugan approved of having authority to approve purchases for work under \$5,000.
- Filing 16 washout project update:
 - o Requested Mr. Dugan install flags or fencing along eroded channel uphill of washout.
 - o Adjustment of scope from stormwater infrastructure installation to a remediation project.
- Approved the purchase of an electric gator for field services team.
- Fence repair, shade sail installation, and cedar post replacements were all approved.
- A progress update on filing 22 fire lane redesign, there has been no movement from the City of Aurora.
- The request for proposal for whole landscape contract is in process with the Public Alliance team for 2027, expected project walk to occur in June.
- The group discussed homeowner concerns voiced so far on water usage.

Water Usage—Mr. Goretsky & Mr. Dugan

- Explained the City of Aurora Water stage 1 drought restrictions.
- The District is waiting until May 1st to start watering per the new guidelines.
- Committee discussed Public Alliance explaining in an eblast how the District is reducing water consumption.

NAC/ Trail Signs—Mr. Goretsky

- Ms. LeGare has been exploring vendors for metal decorative signs for NACs.

- The committee would like to include the filing 21 trail map in the larger trail mapping project.
- The committee has discussed simplifying filing 21 trail map for ease of understanding.

Project Updates—Mr. Dugan

- The pool cover is to be removed tomorrow and the new heater installation was completed. The pergola project has been delayed due to safety concerns, the project will not be completed before pool opening 2026.
- The annual fence staining project is complete.
- A locate for the E Eads Drive & Rockinghorse Parkway median project is upcoming.
- A locate near pool for statue is upcoming.
 - o Public Alliance team clarify City of Aurora requirements for proximity of public art to new facility.

City of Aurora: Grass Reduction Incentive Program—Ms. Walts

- Discussed converting turf at the Rockinghorse Parkway and Gartrell Road entrance to a combination of native and waterwise landscaped beds.
 - o Ms. Walts will provide a sketch plan via e-mail to the committee before contacting the Aurora Water Conservation team.

Discussion about illegal dumping in open space behind homes—Mr. Goretsky

- The committee will review Residential Improvement Guidelines
 - o Public Alliance will discuss with Ms. Suzle with AMI the existing language surrounding this issue.
- Public Alliance will request that AMI work on providing enforcement options, and/or changes to language to be presented to the Residential Improvement Committee and BOD.

Other

- The committee discussed the perennial flower bid process update.
 - o The committee has requested that the District avoid planting annuals where possible for 2026 due to water restrictions.
 - o The committee discussed hand watering options for annuals.
- The committee discussed the request for proposal for barbed wire and post removal in filing 21.
- Discussion on a new project tracking document for use by internal parties.

- Discussion of a trail adjustment near Gartrell Road and S De Gaulle Court for bike safety.
 - o Public Alliance will investigate options for this area.

Adjourn at 7:00PM