



TOWN OF ERIE NEWS FLASH

Board of Trustees Action Items

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Water Debt Refunding to Save Town \$1.2 Million - During Tuesday night's meeting, the Board of Trustees approved an ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of Town of Erie Water Enterprise Revenue Refunding Bonds in the amount of approximately \$12,600,000. The Town is refunding a portion of the 2007A and 2007B Water Revenue Bonds issued primarily to finance construction of various waterlines and the water treatment plant, in order to reduce the interest costs of its revenue bonds. Based on current market conditions, this refinancing is projected to save the Town \$1,262,000 in interest costs over the life of the bonds, a savings of 7.3%.

For more information, please view this [letter from the Mayor](#).

Board Approves Conducting 2016 Regular Municipal Election as Mail Ballot Election - The Board approved a resolution to conduct the April 5, 2016 Regular Municipal Election as a Mail Ballot Election. The Town has conducted the last five municipal elections as Mail Ballot Elections. Ballots will be mailed to the approximately 16,000 voters currently registered.

What's On the Ballot

The Town of Erie will conduct its Regular Municipal Election on Tuesday, April 5, 2016. During this election, registered voters in Erie will be electing a Mayor and three (3) Trustees. The Mayor will be elected to serve a two-year term and three Trustees will be elected to serve four-year terms.

Background: The Town of Erie holds a Regular Municipal Election the first Tuesday of April in even-numbered years. Trustees serve four-year staggered terms; at every Regular Election there are three out of the six seats up for election.

Candidate Information & Deadlines

- Erie residents interested in running for the Board of Trustees may pick up a Candidate's Packet from the Town Clerk's Office beginning on Tuesday, January 5, 2016.
- Each petition requires a minimum of ten signatures from registered electors within the boundaries of the Town of Erie. Registered electors may only sign one petition for the Mayoral candidacy and up to three petitions for the Board of Trustees candidates (only one signature per



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candidate. Completed petitions must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 25, 2016 with the Town Clerk's Office.

- The Town Clerk's Office has scheduled an informational meeting on Monday, January 4, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. This meeting is not mandatory, however, information will be provided from the Secretary of State's Office regarding the Colorado Campaign and Financial Practices Act as well as other important candidate information.
- The last day for candidates to submit petitions to be included on the April 5th ballot is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 25, 2016.

Mail Ballot Information

The Town Clerk's Office will mail the ballots by the week of Monday, March 14, 2016. Erie voters may mail their ballot or drop off their ballot at Town Hall any time during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) and on Election Day from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Ballots must be received by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day. Registered voters who do not receive a ballot in the mail may request one from the Erie Town Clerk's Office.

For more information on the 2016 Town of Erie Municipal Election and Voter Registration Information visit www.erieco.gov/vote.

Governor's Award for Downtown Excellence Presentation - Downtown Colorado, Inc., has awarded the Town of Erie's "Firehouse to Brewpub" submission the Governor's Award for Downtown Excellence in the category of Best Adaptive Reuse or Rehabilitation, using the tool of a Town Urban Renewal Authority. During Tuesday night's meeting, Town of Erie Economic Development Coordinator Paula Mehle presented the award to Mayor Pro Tem Mark Gruber. Also recognized were Katy & Shannon Dukes with Echo Brewery.



A revitalized Historic Downtown Erie Business District has been a community aspiration for years. The Governor's Award recognizes the Town of Erie's "Firehouse to Brewpub" as a successful public/private partnership that serves as a catalyst for further Downtown retail business development which in turns attracts visitors.



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Located on the most prominent corner of Historic Old Town Erie Urban Renewal Area, the 2,500 sq. ft. building was originally constructed in 1969 and served as the community's only fire station until 2002. In February of 2013, a Request for Proposals was issued; in August of 2013, the Lease/Purchase Agreement with Echo Brewery was approved and in September of 2014 Echo celebrated their Grand Opening and recently celebrated their first anniversary.

About Governor's Awards for Downtown Excellence: All of the 2015 Governor's Awards for Downtown Excellence winners were honored at the 2015 Governor's Awards Gala on October 8, 2015, which was held during DCI's 2015 Annual Conference in Durango. Since 2003, the Governor's Awards have recognized outstanding projects and people in Colorado that demonstrate creativity in the face of enormous challenges, unlikely and enduring partnerships, and dedication to community.

SAVVY Awards Presentation - The City-County Communications & Marketing Association (3CMA) awarded the Town of Erie government website the SAVVY Award in the category of Digital Interactive Website. 3CMA also awarded the "Water" episode of Inside Erie the Silver Circle Award in the category of TV and Video - Education/Training. During Tuesday night's meeting, Mayor Pro Tem Mark Gruber accepted both awards on behalf of the Town.



The Savvy Awards, held in conjunction with 3CMA's annual conference, recognize outstanding local government achievements in communications, public-sector marketing and citizen-government relationships. The Savvies salute skilled and effective city, county, agency or district professionals who have creatively planned and carried out successful innovations in communications and marketing. This year, more than 700 entries in 36 categories were received.

- [Town of Erie Website](#): SAVVY Award, Digital Interactive - Website
- ["Water" episode of Inside Erie](#): Silver Circle, TV and Video - Education/Training

View complete October 13, 2015 Board of Trustees Meeting Packet [here](#).

Engage Erie – View the most recent activity on the Town's new social engagement site, [Engage Erie](#).



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Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings – The next regularly scheduled [Board of Trustees](#) meeting will be on Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. All meetings are held in the [Town Hall boardroom](#) located at 645 Holbrook Street in Erie.

More Information – Board of Trustees Action Items are brief summaries of some, but not all, agenda items and do not serve as the official meeting minutes. Select this link to view archived Board of Trustees meeting online via the [On Demand Video](#) service. To request approved meeting minutes of Board of Trustees meetings, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at nparker@erieco.gov.