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Mondays with the Mayor

During this week's Mondays with the mayor, Mayor Laura Weinberg discussed the following:

- Coffee with Councilors Monday January 12
- City Council Transition Ceremony, Reception and Regular Business Meeting Tuesday January 13
- Reminder of how to use the Fix-It Tool
- Progress being made on the Municipal Building and Heart of Golden Project
- Summer Camp registration opens next week

There will be no Mondays with the Mayor next week. City Offices will be closed for Martin Luther King Day. You can always watch recordings of the live streams on the [City's Facebook page](#).



City Offices Closed in Observance of MLK Day

In observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, all city administrative offices will be closed on Monday, January 19. Essential services, such as police and fire, will remain available.

Regular office hours will resume the following day.



Experience the Charm of Downtown Golden in a Horse-Drawn Carriage

Join us for two special Saturdays, January 17 and 24, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. as we celebrate our local businesses and community.

The Olde Golden Holiday Committee is offering these free carriage rides in lieu of the Jingle on the Avenue event, which was canceled in December due to the Public Safety Power Shutoff.

Details:

- **Dates:** Saturday, January 17 and Saturday, January 24, 2026
- **Time:** 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
- **Location:** Carriage rides pick up on 12th Street, just west of Washington Avenue by Bella Colibri
- **Cost:** FREE

No registration required. Rides are first-come, first-served.



Keeping the Lights On: Powering Your Golden Home During Outages

When: Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2026 | 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Where: Golden Community Center - Community Room (upstairs) | 1470 10th Street

Power outages that last more than a few hours can be disruptive and stressful. Join the City's Sustainability team for an informative community conversation focused on practical ways to increase your home's energy resilience when the grid goes down.

This free event will explore a range of backup power options—from small portable power stations to generators, home battery systems paired with solar, and electric vehicle integration.

Residents will have the opportunity to hear real-world experiences from neighbors, ask questions of experts, and connect with local resources to better understand available technologies, costs, and installation considerations.

What to expect:

- Interactive table stations featuring different backup power solutions, including:
- Portable power stations for small appliances and electronics
- Fuel-powered generators for essential or whole-home needs
- Home battery storage systems paired with solar
- Electric vehicle vehicle-to-home (V2H) power options
- Sustainability resources, rebates, and energy-saving giveaways
- Contractor and technology representatives available for questions

- A moderated panel of local residents sharing firsthand experiences with various backup power setups

Whether you're a renter, homeowner, or simply planning ahead, this event will provide helpful information to support informed decisions and greater peace of mind during power outages.



Resource Central's HOA Waterwise Landscape Programs

Would your HOA like to reduce your outdoor water use? Resource Central is teaming up with the City of Golden and the Colorado Water Conservation Board in 2026 to help HOAs turn their turf-covered common areas into beautiful, waterwise landscapes.

Services range from helping your HOA take a deep-dive into water use and coordinate projects to improve efficiency in your sprinkler system, to providing project support and guidance on converting large areas of non-functional turf to water-saving alternatives. Grant funding is available for qualified participants!

The 2026 application is coming soon. For more information and to complete an interest form to receive updates, visit resourcecentral.org/hoa. Please email Program Manager Tracy Ayres at tayres@resourcecentral.org with any questions.



See the New Police & Municipal Building Construction in Real Time!

Construction is well underway at 311 10th Street, and the new Police and Municipal Building is starting to take shape. You can now [watch live progress online](#) and see the project come together in real time.

For ongoing updates on the building and the broader Heart of Golden project, visit guidinggolden.com/heart-of-golden-moving-forward.



Golden History Museum & Park Summer Camp Registration Opens This Week

Registration opens this week for [Golden History Museum & Park Summer Camp](#) sessions!

Early access begins for Museum Members Wednesday, January 14. To qualify for membership pricing you must have a [Household Membership](#) or above. Please note that membership pricing requires an active qualifying membership, and early access does not guarantee availability.

Camp Rates:

- Members: Half-day \$195 | Full-day \$390
- Non-members: Half-day \$220 | Full-day \$440

Spots are limited and camps fill quickly, so families are encouraged to register early. For camp details and registration information, visit the [Golden History Museum & Park website](#).

Questions about camp? Email Jesse Gagnon Student & Family Programs Coordinator, at jgagnon@cityofgolden.net.



2025 Golden Summer Camp Registration Opens Jan. 20!

Registration for Golden Community Center Summer Camps opens for residents at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 20. Non-resident registration opens at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 21.

Golden Community Center Summer Camps serve children ages 2.5–12 and offer engaging, state-licensed care focused on friendships, fun, and active learning. Camps run 7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. each day, with a half-day preschool option available from 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Kids enjoy a wide variety of activities, including swimming, group games, arts and crafts, and hands-on projects. Families should plan to send a lunch, two snacks, and a water bottle each day.

New this year:

Camp for ages 8–12 will be based at Tony Grampsas Park and includes two field trips each week. One weekly trip will be to the Splash Water Park, and the second will visit popular Denver metro destinations such as the Denver Museum of Nature and Science, Butterfly Pavilion, Skate City, Bowlero, Pirate's Cove, and more.

Daily camp rates:

- Regular days: \$60 residents / \$65 non-residents
- Splash field trips: \$70 residents / \$75 non-residents
- Full field trips: \$80 residents / \$85 non-residents

Changes to registrations can be made until 7 a.m. on Friday, May 8. After that date, no cancellations are allowed.

Questions? Contact recprograms@cityofgolden.net

[Watch what your child can experience at Golden Summer Camp!](#)



Heart of Golden

EAST AMENITY ZONE VISION PLAN

East Amenity Zone Vision Plan Draft

Following several months of community engagement and input, a draft East Zone Amenity Vision Plan has been prepared and is now available. The draft document includes recommendations for all of the city properties in the Heart of Golden East Zone, located east of Washington Avenue.

The draft document will be presented to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board at their January 15, 2026, meeting and to City Council February 10, 2026.

Learn more about the [East End Amenities project on Guiding Golden](#).



Free Windstorm Debris Drop-off Jan. 23-24

To help residents manage storm-related debris following December's windstorms, the Jefferson County SLASH Program will offer two free public drop-off days for fallen branches and downed trees resulting from the storms.

The Tincup Ridge Slash Yard (151 S Rooney Rd, Golden, CO 80401) will be open to the public from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on Friday, January 23, and Saturday, January 24.

These temporary drop-offs are intended for storm-related debris only, specifically fallen or downed branches. Christmas trees will not be accepted.

[Learn more about Jeffco SLASH Collection Program.](#)



Christmas Tree Recycling

The City of Golden offers a simple and eco-friendly way to dispose of your Christmas tree - by giving it a second life as mulch!

You can drop off your tree at our NEW collection site located at The Splash, 3151 Illinois St., **through January 26, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily.**

To participate, please ensure your tree meets the following guidelines:

- Remove all ornaments, hardware, strings of lights, and tinsel.
- Only live Christmas trees will be accepted.
- Wreaths, tree branches, trash bags, or other wood materials will not be accepted.

The collected trees will be turned into mulch, which will be available for free pickup at a later date at the public site on 11th St., just west of the Clear Creek History Park.

Public Meetings



All public meetings in Council Chambers are available to watch on the [Agendas and Meetings page](#); most are both recorded and livestreamed. Meetings in Council Chambers that are not available via livestream will be denoted by an asterisk (*). Off-site meetings are audio recorded and uploaded as soon as possible.

Historic Preservation Board Regular Meeting

Wednesday, January 14, 6:30 p.m. in City Hall | 911 10th St., Golden

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, January 15, 6:00 p.m. in City Hall | 911 10th St., Golden

Local Licensing Authority

Tuesday, January 20, 2:30 p.m. in City Hall | 911 10th St., Golden

Road and Construction Updates



Right of Way Impacts

Clear Creek Trail - Behind Golden Hotel (Washington Ave. to History Park parking lot)

- Hotel exterior upgrades
- 12/1 - 3/31/25
- Weekdays 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Pedestrian detours in place

10th St – Illinois St to West of Maple St.

- City of Golden Utilities Division new water main installation
- 12/08 - 1/16/26
- Weekdays 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Expect construction related traffic delays and parking/sidewalk impacts with pedestrian detours on place

Washington Avenue - 2nd Street to 5th Street


- Water/sanitary sewer installations for private development project located at 347 Goldco Circle
- 12/15/25 - late January 2026, weather dependent
- Weekdays 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- No work 12/25 (Christmas Day) or 01/01/26 (New Years Day)
- Expect construction-related traffic delays and parking/sidewalk impacts with pedestrian detours in place.

Citywide

- Xcel Energy overhead power pole replacements/maintenance – wildfire mitigation
- 01/01 - 7/01/26
- Weekdays 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Expect construction-related traffic delays and parking / sidewalk impacts with pedestrian detours in place




Public Road Closures

Wondering about road closures that might impact your drive? Check out the [Public Road Closures map](#) for an update on all current permitted street closures in Golden.



Current and Upcoming Road Closures


the City of Golden, CO




About


Welcome to the Public Road Closures App

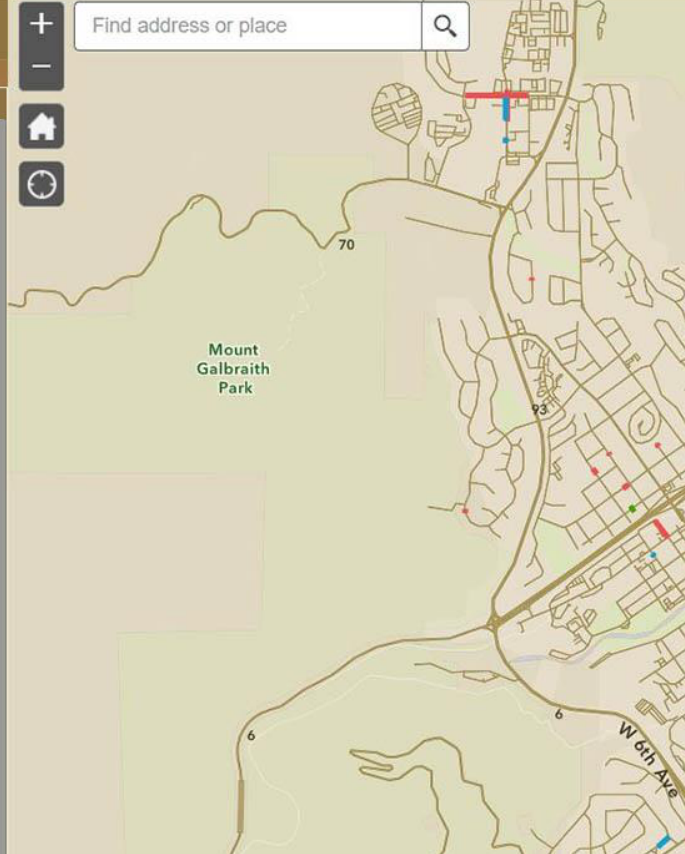
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This map shows where there are currently active Right of Way (ROW) Permits, indicating the closure of a lane. The different symbology of the lines helps visualize which roads or lanes are closed or are soon to reopen. Since the map reflects the status of ROW Permits, which may be extended, the symbology may not accurately reflect real conditions. For more information on ROW Permits, visit [the Streets Department Website](#).







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