Happy New Year 2022

Changes in Denver in 2022



Source: Axios Denver Newsletter

Parking meter rates double: The price to park has jumped from \$1 to \$2 per hour, marking Denver's first increase in two decades. City officials plan to use that extra revenue to generate \$9.2 million annually for investments in public transit, bikeways, sidewalk repairs and street safety improvements.

Mask mandate carries on: Mayor Michael Hancock's administration extended its mask-or-vaccinate requirement through at least Feb. 3.

Minimum wage increases: Employers must pay \$15.87 per hour, up from \$14.77 required last year, to all staff performing work within city boundaries. Annual adjustments will be made at the start of 2023 and each year thereafter based on the Consumer Price Index.

Trash pickup days changes: New routes rolling out will reduce trash pickups to four days and require 70% of Denver customers to set out bins on a different day. For questions call 311 or email 311@denvergov.org

Landlords need licenses: Denver landlords must apply for long-term rental licenses for each of their properties due to an ordinance passed last year that requires them to have obtained those licenses by Jan. 1, 2023.

Marijuana: As of Jan. 1, the state will limit daily purchases to two ounces of flower and eight grams of concentrate such as wax and shatter for medical marijuana patients.

SAutomatic renewals: Services with automatic-renewal contracts would have to tell you before a renewal or price increase takes effect.

WDCA Board

Jane Lorimer, President Jacquie Marks, Vice President Tim Rooney, Secretary Joanna Milewski, Treasurer Marsha Badanes, Director Margot Gilbert Frank, Director Brandon Harrellson, Director

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Website: www.winstondowns.org
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Committees (Open to all residents)

- Beautification & Clean Up
- Communications
- Zoning

Next Election of Officers

Annual Meeting April 19, 2022

Any WDCA member may run for office

Next WDCA Board Meeting (Open to all residents)

Tuesday, January 18 7:00PM- 8:30PM Via Zoom

If you love living in Winston Downs, get involved! It takes a village to make a good neighborhood thrive.

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If you are not getting our updates via email, please send a request to be added to: info@winstondowns.org

Crime & Safety



Our neighborhood is still generally safe with a few exceptions of vandalism and theft from vehicles. As always, we publish these reminders

- Lights on, especially in winter it helps prevent crime and makes it safer entering and exiting your property as well as for deliveries and postal service.
- Lock up outside vehicles and remove valuables from within.
- Lock household doors and windows.
- If you are traveling, have a friend, relative or neighbor check on your house and clear mail, door hangers and packages.
- Camera alarms at doors, motion lights all good!
- Make house numbers visible to help emergency providers and even friends who are new to visiting you.
- Use inside light timers when you are away.

If you **see something, say something.**It's a good policy!

About the Street Racers



During the winter, street racing dies down a little.

It is noisy and difficult to catch them, so if you notice street racing

anytime, please report that to the non-emergency police number 720.913.1300; if you can identify the vehicle, even better!

There are some who just rev up motors to annoy the quiet of this neighborhood. That's not legal either, so if you **see something**, **say something**.

WDCA 2022 Activities

Board Meetings

WDCA board meetings are open to all residents and are held the third Tuesday of each month from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Exceptions will be made to avoid holiday observances.

When permitted, the Board meets in person at BMH-BJ Synagogue, 560 S Monaco Pkwy. We sincerely appreciate the generosity of this facility use.

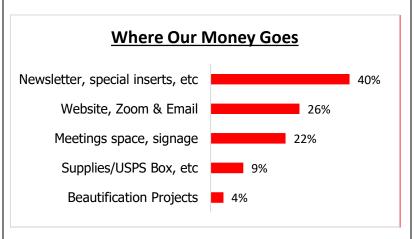
When not advisable to meet in person, the Board and interested residents meet via Zoom. Notices are sent out by email to any who have signed up to receive our emails.

WDCA monitors crime, safety and zoning, holds regular meetings where we listen to neighborhood concerns, we plan social engagements, welcome new neighbors, produce news and updates, and keep our website refreshed.

Why We Ask for Membership

Our dues are a modest \$20/per calendar year, per household.

In 2022, costs for printing, delivery of newsletters, mail box rental and clean up along Monaco & Quebec will increase. Your dues pay for these full resident services. 32% of the neighborhood households are current members. More voices, more actions!



Winston Downs Community Association is an all-volunteer board and is a Registered Neighborhood Organization/RNO within the City of Denver. We are a member of the Denver Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation.

Denver INC is a coalition of all of Denver's neighborhood organizations who serves as an education source and a unified voice on citywide issues.

Key Contacts - Winston Downs

Neighborhood Updates

Government

House District 6 - Rep. Steven Woodrow 303-866-2967

Senate District 31 – Sen. Chris Hansen 303-866-4861

City Council Districts 5 and 6

5 is from Alameda south to Exposition 6 is from South side of Exposition to Walsh PI

CW Amanda Sawyer – District 5 Amanda.Sawyer@denvergov.org

CM Paul Kashmann – District 6 Paul.Kashmann@denvergov.org

Emergencies

Emergencies 911

Police District 3 - 720.913.1300 non-emergencies Station 19 Fire direct – 720.913.3473 non-emergencies

Denver Public School District 3 – Dr. Carrie Olson 303-910-4963

Xcel emergency – 800.895.2999 Water emergency – 303.893.4444 or 303.628.6801 City services – 311 or 311@denvergov.org **Denver Water** has installed new water lines between S. Olive Way and E. Virginia Ave along S. Oneida Way. The work is mostly completed. Street repairs will follow as weather permits.

Stoplight at Newport & Alameda Approved

Stoplight at Newport and Alameda is approved, and the construction contract was approved by City Council at the end of November. This will be an on-demand stoplight to permit safe crossing for pedestrians and bicycles.

440 S Monaco Pkwy and 333 S Oneida Way have both applied for change of use from residential homes to religious assembly use (synagogues). 440 would become a small synagogue use (about 20 congregates) and 333 would become a large synagogue use (100 congregates) Both are shown as "in process" currently.

Board Meeting minutes from November 16, 2021 cover these. Find online. www.winstondowns.org/Meetings

Former 430 S Newport Way has been approved for building four single family homes.

Please honor the four-way stop signs in the neighborhood. They are there to protect you!

Please pick up after your doggies too!

Winston Downs Wants Your Involvement

Not only do we desire your membership, but we want you to <u>get involved</u> in our zoning, clean up and social event hosting.

Service on the board is important as well because it ensures an on-going connection to what's concerning residents and linking to City services for action.

Board meetings are monthly. Serving will put you in the position to implement rules and regulations that will help to maintain your property value and uphold the standard to which you desire to live.



Next WDCA Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 18, 2022 VIA ZOOM due to Covid increases 7:00pm to 8:30pm

We will send email notice for Zoom to all who have signed up to get our eNews.

Did you know?

Winston Downs was developed in the 1960s. Until then the area was home to rural apple orchards and rolling pastures. Embracing its agricultural past, the neighborhood even boasts its own community farm, Sprouts City Farm, located at the Denver Green School on E. Virginia Avenue!

School Traffic Hours

What's Coming Up



School Hours

Please be mindful of foot and vehicle traffic during school drop-off and pick up and lunch times.

The Denver Green School/DGS

6700 E. Virginia Ave. (South side of Virginia at Niagara) 8:10 AM – 3:40 PM M-Th 8:10 AM – 1:00 PM F

George Washington High School/GWHS

655 S. Monaco Pkwy. (West side of Monaco at Exposition) 8:45 AM – 3:50 PM M-F 12:25 AM – 1:10 PM Lunch

Denver Academy of Torah/DAT

6825 E. Alameda Ave. (North side of Alameda at Newport) 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM M-Th 7:30 AM – 2:00 PM F

Neighborhood Projects

WDCA hires out professional weed clean up along Monaco and Quebec. We are only allowed to kill/whack weeds along curb gutters. Home owners are responsible for vegetation and tree maintenance on their property.

Clean up volunteers wanted:

We want to clean up Quebec on a more regular basis. It takes a couple hours on a nice day to gather the tossed trash. The border streets are our window into Winston Downs. Let's keep it looking good and property values upped!

Can we count on you to help? If yes, send an email to info@winstondowns.org with subject line CLEAN UP and include your name and best way to connect with you.



Summer Socials

Covid permitting, we will continue with our "out front" socials. Hosts provide outdoor space (driveways, back or front yards) and may choose to serve light beverages and snacks; however, we encourage residents who attend to bring their own food and drink!

If you are interested in hosting, please send email to info@winstondowns.org with subject HOST

Covid-permitting, we also may have a couple of surprise events during nice months of the year. The goal is to unite neighbors. *Neighbors who know each other watch out for each other and make for friendlier and safer environments for residential areas.*

YOUR ADVERTISING COULD APPEAR HERE.

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