March 5, 2015

Dear Arapahoe County Administration Building neighbors and business owners:

On March 17, the Arapahoe County Administration Building at 5334 S. Prince St. in Littleton will close to the public at 1 p.m. to conduct a public-safety preparedness exercise.

The exercise will begin promptly at 3 p.m. and is being conducted in order to test our County’s overall preparedness for an emergency event. The exercise is not real, but is designed to feel real to test Arapahoe County employee response to an actual, real-life emergency.

Exercise participants will simulate scenarios and you may hear gun shots, loud noises and you may see guns, emergency response vehicles and Arapahoe County employees exiting the building. Arapahoe County Sheriff’s Office and law enforcement and emergency responders from the City of Littleton will be participating in the exercise. Please do not call 9-1-1 to report these activities if you witness them occurring between the hours of 3 – 5 p.m., March 17 as this will be part of the exercise.

For your safety, and in order to complete the exercise in a realistic environment, the Administration Building, including our parking lots and grassy areas on the west and east of the building, will be closed to the public. Crestline also will be closed and Rio Grande may be impacted with additional law enforcement traffic.

We are providing advance notice of this exercise so you are aware that we are conducting this public safety exercise and that you, your family, employees, customers and neighbors are not alarmed.

We thank all area residents and business owners for their support of this important exercise. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Andrea Rasizer, Communication Services Director, at 303-795-4284 or by email at arasizer@arapahoegov.com.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Nancy Sharpe
Board Chair