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## **Arapahoe County imposes one-month suspension of land-use applications in unincorporated areas south of Arapahoe Road**

*Suspension granted to give Centennial time to present information, timeline for proposed joint planning agreement with the County*

LITTLETON, CO --- The Board of County Commissioners Tuesday approved a one-month temporary suspension of certain land use applications in unincorporated areas south of Arapahoe Road at the request of the City of Centennial, in order to have the time to develop a joint planning agreement with the County.

The Commissioners agreed to grant a one-month temporary suspension in order to give Centennial time to identify issues that need to be addressed in a proposed joint planning agreement with the County and submit a timeline to complete the planning work for the agreement.

During the four-week suspension, Centennial will complete and present to the County a timeline for the development of a joint comprehensive plan, joint development standards, joint planning tools and resolution of other land use issues within the proposed joint planning area. In the past several months, Centennial and Arapahoe County have been working toward a joint planning agreement for lands outside the City boundaries. This area is central to Centennial's future commercial development.

The area covered by the temporary suspension generally lies between I-25 on the west, Parker Road on the east, Arapahoe Road on the north and County Line Road on the south. Centennial Promenade, west of I-25 also is included in the suspension area. However, several areas within the boundaries are excluded from the temporary suspension, and they include the 17 Mile House, Centennial Airport, Panorama Office Park, Dry Creek Office Park, Dove Valley and Inverness.

The temporary suspension would apply to new rezoning, Preliminary Development Plan and Final Development Plan land use applications. Any pending land use application that already is in process would be excluded. Specific uses that would not be allowed during the temporary suspension include:

- Automobile sales and rental, storage and detailing
- Gasoline and auto repair stations
- Car washes
- Convenience stores

- Trash transfer, recycling centers or salvage yards
- Storage facilities
- Drive-thru restaurants
- Billboards
- Sexually oriented businesses
- Concrete or asphalt batch plants
- Animal-related uses, such as kennels, equestrian centers, stables
- Industrial or commercial uses with outdoor storage, extensive truck or service vehicle parking areas, outdoor product assembly or processing or other outdoor operations

Arapahoe County will hold a public hearing in four weeks to determine whether to extend the temporary suspension. For more information, contact the County's Planning Division at 720-874-6650.

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