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To: Neighborhood Group Leaders

From: Neighborhood Programs Team

Date: April 17, 2025

Re: April 17 NGLA Meeting: New Landscape Development Codes and Waterwise

Gardening Plans + NIP Community Presentations

The next Neighborhood Group Leaders Association meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the Longmont Senior Center, 910 Longs Peak Avenue, in room D.** The April meeting will feature a presentation to update attendees on new landscape development codes and water-wise gardening plans followed by NIP Community presentations.

The meeting will begin with a short presentation by Environmental Planner Zach Blazek, who will update the group on new guidelines and information to include in the City's development review process to encourage developers to install more Water-Wise (water-conserving) landscaping. Communities whose landscapes are in poor shape and need improvements to reduce maintenance costs and improve water efficiency have expressed concern. Zach will present an update on his efforts to encourage better outcomes with our water conservation staff.

We will then shift to our NIP presentations by the communities that have submitted the Neighborhood Improvement Program grant applications for the March funding cycle. Each community will have about ten minutes to introduce their community and present their project to NGLA.

The presentations provide an opportunity to understand the projects better and learn from other communities' planning efforts. You are encouraged to use your community's experience to provide helpful and positive feedback to the presenters or ask questions to help your community plan a similar project. Please plan to also review the actual applications before completing your evaluations.

Don't forget to review the March meeting attendance and contact us as soon as possible if you weren't correctly counted.

Please find the following enclosed:

- 1. April meeting agenda
- 2. March meeting attendance verification
- 3. March meeting minutes.
- 4. Cinco de Mayo Celebration Flyer
- 5. NLS Class Schedule