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To:
Scott Robinson Senior City Planner
Curt Upton Principal City Planner
Laura Aldrete Executive Director, Community Planning and Development

Greetings All,

Congress Park Neighbors Inc, Board of Directors supports and joins other Registered Neighborhood Organization’s who are part of the East Central Area Plan (ECAP) to ask for an extension of the comment period from Feb 5 until June 5.

We continue to discover that many people living in the designated area of the ECAP are just learning about the plan and its 20 year time line for affordable housing, open space, public parks, commercial development, and its potential impact on our public schools.

The board of Directors asks that equality in notification be given to residents in the ECAP similarly as given to residents in the East Area Plan (EAP) which included postcards. Not all residents in the ECAP are users of social media and it is not necessarily reflective of their age group.

Congress Park Neighbors Inc, is aware of a Federally funded Professional Services Agreement between the City and County of Denver and Progressive Urban Management Associates, Inc., d/b/a P.U.M.A., Inc., for consulting services regarding neighborhoods along East Colfax Avenue. Exhibit A of the document provides the scope of services that are expected and article 2.17 Equitable Engagement Support’s first point is Ensuring equitable notification of opportunities to participate.

Please allow additional outreach to residents in the whole of ECAP by providing an extension of comments until June 5, and by providing additional notices that include notification physically delivered to each address in the neighborhoods, such as post cards.

Sincerely,

Congress Park Neighbors Inc, Board of Directors
Rodney Allen, President

cc: CW District 9 Candi CdeBaca, CM District 10 Chris Hinds, CW At-Large Robin Kniech, CW-At-Large Debbie Ortega, CW District 5 Amanda Sawyer, Denver Auditor Timothy O’Brien