

# DURANGO WEST II

## Metro District News

DECEMBER 2022/JANUARY 2023

### Wishing All a Joyous Holiday Season and a Healthy and Happy New Year

#### 2023 Budget Adoption

The Board has adopted the 2023 Budget. The budget outlines the estimated revenues and expenditures associated with operating the water, wastewater, road and open space of the District including our usual road repairs, snow removal, fire mitigation and water and sewer system maintenance and improvement projects.

Expenditures are projected to be \$738,309 with revenues projected at \$704,059. This projected deficit is primarily a result of water fund improvement projects. The deficit will be covered by reserves. General Fund expenditures are budgeted for 219,930 which includes \$84,000 for road operations; Water Fund operations are budgeted for \$350,745 which includes water purchasing from Lake Durango of \$165,000. Sewer and wastewater system operations are budgeted at \$144,634 which includes \$39,639 debt service for plant improvements bond.



#### Snow Plowing



When clearing snow from your driveway, do not push it into the road. This adds extra time and expense to our snowplow contractor's job and most importantly, delays him from making our neighborhood roads safe for all drivers and our school buses. Snow from your driveway must be pushed into your own lot. It will sometimes be necessary for our

contractor to push snow off the roads and into homeowner's yards. The District's road easement continues approximately 10-15 feet onto homeowner's property. Pushing snow into that easement will keep the roads as wide and safe as possible. When the road gets too narrow, visibility can be impaired and driving and walking in the subdivision can become quite dangerous, particularly since we do not have sidewalks. Also, please DO NOT park vehicles on the roadway, as it greatly hinders snowplowing efforts.

#### Accessibility of District Utilities and Traffic Signs

Reminder to all residents who have District traffic signs or facilities on an easement on your property, including sewer manholes, water curb stops, and fire hydrants: you must maintain adequate access to these facilities. Manholes, fire hydrants and water valves are not to be covered in landscaping which includes bushes, tree branches, etc. If there is a fire hydrant on your property, it is your responsibility to keep it cleared of snow.



#### Help Make Roads Safe this Winter – Don't Park on the Streets and SLOW DOWN Parking on Streets Prohibited

Durango West 2 Metro District prohibits parking on the street. Vehicles, trailers, etc., parked on the street present a safety hazard to our children and residents and greatly hinders snowplowing efforts.



#### Drive and Walk Safely, Especially on Icy Roads!

Winter is here and it is important to remember that roads may become quite slick in the subdivision in the coming months. People may be walking on either side of the road to avoid ice patches. Please be watchful, slow down and take your time while traveling through the neighborhood on wintery days.

#### Board Member Election in 2023

Three board positions will be up for election in May 2023. As a Special District, our election is regulated by the Colorado Secretary of State. In February, the District Manager will call for nominations for the open seats. At that time, self-nomination forms will be available for any District resident or District property owner interested in running for a position on the Board. Email [dw2@dgowest2.com](mailto:dw2@dgowest2.com) after January 22, 2023 to obtain a form. District Board Members are volunteers who dedicate approximately five hours each month to make important decisions regarding your water, sewer, road systems and open space. Contact the district office or call a current Board Member if you would like to learn more.

#### Start New Year with a Balanced DW2 Account

Start 2023 off with a zero balance — nothing due or unused credit - on your DW2 account. Some residents still have amounts due from a water overage they may have had last summer or a late fee that was on their account from months ago. Some residents have a credit on their account and can pay less this month! Please look at your next bill and adjust your next payment to reflect the amount due whether you have a balance due or credit. Feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

#### Water-Saving Tip

Many residents already do this but here is a good water-saving tip: Turn off the water to your toilets when you leave town. Each year, residents leave home for an extended time, not aware that their toilet is running. Even a slow leak could waste up to 50,000 gallons in a month. Please keep a close eye on all your plumbing to ensure water is not being wasted, especially with most residents working so hard to conserve our precious water supply.

#### Contact Information

Please make sure we have a current email address and phone number to contact you. Send an email to [dw2@dgowest2.com](mailto:dw2@dgowest2.com) with both your phone number and email address, so we have a way to contact you if there is a need.

## No Meeting in December

### Next Meeting is January 18th at 5 p.m. at the Mail House or Phone Conference due to increase in COVID

contact [dw2@dgowest2.com](mailto:dw2@dgowest2.com) for phone conference instructions

#### District Manager

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#### Wastewater & Water Operator

Dave Marsa

970-759-1609

#### District Accountant

Fred Owen

970-385-2518

#### Board Members

Carly Thomson · 970-759-9156 · President · May 2023

Beverly Lawrence · 970-799-2775 · Vice President · May 2025

Wayne Schrader · 970-317-5109 · Treasurer · May 2023

Derek Ryter · 970-880-4945 · Director · May 2025

## DURANGO WEST 2 BUSINESS BRIEFS:

The Business Briefs section of the newsletter is provided as a free service to current DW2 residents who wish to have their business or service listed. If you would like to have a listing, please email your brief to [dw2@dgowest2.com](mailto:dw2@dgowest2.com)

- Train Brazilian Jiu Jitsu with Nico de Haan 3rd Degree Black Belt on Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:30 am and 5:30 PM at Durango Brazilian Jiu Jitsu. All levels welcome. Contact 970-769-9276 or [Durangobjj@gmail.com](mailto:Durangobjj@gmail.com). Website: [durangobjj.com](http://durangobjj.com)
- Big Toy Boat, RV & Mini Storage provides storage options for Household & Business, Boats, Campers & RV's at competitive prices. Wendell & Vindred Qualls @ 970-247-2680, or [www.BigToyStorageDurango.com](http://www.BigToyStorageDurango.com)
- Fully-facilitated immersion programs to Guatemala!! Originally Spanish4Educators.org, DW2 resident Steve Foster also offers general immersion programs to beautiful Antigua, Guatemala as well as specialized programs for educators and medical professionals. Contact Steve, 970-844-0724 or [sfoster1010@gmail.com](mailto:sfoster1010@gmail.com)
- James' Home Improvements & Repairs - Fully Insured; James Bowkett - 970-317-1467; <https://www.facebook.com/fourcornersimprov>
- Get amazing locally roasted coffee here in DW2. You've probably seen our red and blue trailer parked at the entrance on Friday's. Feel free to contact me directly at [mark.rockymountainroastery@gmail.com](mailto:mark.rockymountainroastery@gmail.com) or text 303.385.7755
- Mobile Notary and Notary Signing Agent. 16 years experience. Bonded, certified and insured. 24/7 service Elaine Stumpo 970-799-2328
- Therapeutic Massage Therapy for injury/sports rehab and inner healing- myofascial release, ac-

- tive/passive stretching, ancient cupping therapy, hot stones, neuromuscular & deep tissue therapy. Ali Jacobs, owner of Empowered Living. 15 years experience! Call to schedule. 970-903-3189.
- Psychologist in DWII for 38 years. Dr. Katherine accepts private insurance and Medicaid. Over 40 years of experience. Office in town or use of secure Zoom. (970) 769-6907
- Join a Reiki class with Licensed Reiki Master Teacher, Teresa Jantz. Reiki is a stress reduction technique. All levels offered. Learn more and register at [www.TouchpointTherapy.com](http://www.TouchpointTherapy.com) or call Teresa at 970-903-2547.
- Kokikai Durango Japanese Martial Arts: Practical self-defense & personal development through traditional training. Contact Thomas Holmes at (970) 799-7632 or visit [www.kokikaidurango.com](http://www.kokikaidurango.com).
- Zumba with Donna Middleton. Classes at the Smiley Building 2nd floor dance studio. Fri. 1:30 pm. Sat. and Sun. 9:00 am. Call Donna @ 970-759-9944
- Cedar Enterprises LLC specializes in fire mitigation/fuels reduction in or around dwellings. Call for an estimate. Cedar wood cords neighborhood special \$250. Contact Bryan at 769-3438
- House sitting and/or pet care including walking. I'm retired, reliable, responsible. Call Ken Hibbard 970-749-1378
- ABC Plumbing & Heating is available for plumbing & hot water heater service, repairs

- & remodels. Call 970-764-4315, [www.abcpumbingdurango.com](http://www.abcpumbingdurango.com)
- San Juan Paralegal Services; Contract Paralegal. Over 10 years of experience. Criminal Law, Civil Litigation, Personal Injury, Family, Business/Contracts, Trademarks. Contact Molly Pagano at (303) 881-4631.
- Dance with Wendy Graham Settle. Private lessons for weddings, reunions, and special occasions including Swing, Latin, Blues, Waltz, and Two-Step. Contact: 970.903.9402, [perkypantsdance@gmail.com](mailto:perkypantsdance@gmail.com), or go to [www.perkypantsdance.com](http://www.perkypantsdance.com).
- Custom-designed travel and tours. Contact Cindi Taylor, Taylored Tours, 970.335.8670 or visit [trips.tayloredtours.com](http://trips.tayloredtours.com).
- Holistic Chiropractor. Dr. Robert Stein. In practice since 1985. DWII homeowner since 1996. Call 382-8500. [www.drrobertstein.com](http://www.drrobertstein.com)
- Plexus: An all-natural, plant based line of health & wellness products. House sitting and pet care when you are away! Tutoring: K-8 in all subject areas. Licensed 20 yrs of classroom experience. Contact Carrie at 259-4599.
- Dumpster Rental - 16 Cubic Yard Dump Trailer (driveway friendly). I park the trailer your house, you fill it with green waste, trash, debris, and I haul it away. Prices vary. Please email Ryan Champion at [championdumpsters@protonmail.com](mailto:championdumpsters@protonmail.com).



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