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A Covenant Community

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Save The Date

- February 5:** Civic Association Board Meeting
- March 5:** Civic Association Board Meeting
- April 2:** Civic Association Board Meeting
- May 7:** Civic Association Board Meeting
- May 15:** Dues Deadline for LIP Participation

Covenant Review Committee and Governance

The Covenant Review Committee (CRC) continues to monitor the community to ensure properties remain in compliance with Highlands 460 covenants. Maintaining clean, well-kept homes and yards helps protect property values and preserves the overall appearance of our neighborhood. The CRC addresses violations on a monthly basis, following Covenant guidelines, allowing us to keep Highlands 460 looking its best.

Homeowners are reminded that exterior home changes require prior approval. As you start plans for spring, you will find the Improvement Request form on the H460.org website. The CRC responds quickly to your request for approval.

Thank you for your cooperation in maintaining a safe, attractive community.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the CRC, please contact us at CRC@H460.org.

*If January is the month of change,
February is the month of lasting change.
January is for dreamers...
February is for doers.*

—Marc Parent

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President's Letter

Before we dive into this month's updates, we need to issue a quick (and heartfelt) correction: in last month's newsletter, we accidentally left out the name of one of our newly elected board members, Chris Downard. Big oops on our part!

Chris, thank you for taking the oversight in stride—and for joking about it with your family instead of giving us too much grief. Your good humor is just one of the many reasons we're excited to have you on the Civic Association board. More importantly, we're grateful for your willingness to give your time and talent to help strengthen our community. Welcome aboard (officially)!

As we move into February, we're already busy planning for the year ahead. If you haven't yet renewed your 2026 Civic Association membership, please take the time to do so. Your \$75 voluntary dues help support everything from community events and beautification projects to seasonal contests and neighborhood outreach.

Speaking of contests, be sure to check this month's newsletter for the results of our Holiday Lighting Contest—thanks to everyone who participated and helped make Highlands 460 festive this past season.

As always, we appreciate your continued support and look forward to a great year of connection, collaboration, and community.

— Sincerely, Carrie Reger, 2026 President, H460 Civic Association

*In the coldest February, as in every other month
in every other year, the best thing to hold on to
in this world is each other.*

—Linda Ellerbee

H460 Civic Association Meeting:

The February board meeting will be held on
Thursday, February 5, 2026 from 6:45 - 8:15 p.m.

In person: Metrum Community Credit Union, 6980 S. Holly Circle, Centennial

Online: Google Meet link posted at <https://www.h460.org>

After January's meeting, 2026 board meetings will continue to be on the first Thursday of each month.

Find agendas minutes from previous board meetings at: <https://www.h460.org>

For the most recent report of Civic Association finances, email: treasurer@h460.org

Civic Association Membership 2026

Everyone in the community is encouraged to join the H460 Civic Association. Membership is voluntary, but it directly supports the activities and events that help make our neighborhood stronger and more connected. Annual dues remain at \$75 —just \$6.25 per month.

MEMBER BENEFITS INCLUDE:

Large Item Pickup: A designated day for curbside service from a professional trash removal company for items not accepted as part of regular trash service. Compared with \$300 for a dumpster rental, this event is the most popular event with H460 residents and many feel it is worth membership dues for this one event.

4th of July Parade & Carnival: H460 residents of all ages join together for a patriotic celebration beginning with a parade of bike riders and walkers through the neighborhood and culminating in a festive event featuring food, games and music.

Civic Association Member Events: In 2025, we had a member appreciation event at the Varsity Inn and the Halloween and Holiday decorating contests with prizes for the winners.

Garage Sale, Neighborhood Cleanup, Food Trucks & Welcome Committee: These events and committees are low-cost but do have budgets associated with signage, materials and advertising.

Communication & Technology: Tools allowing the Civic Association to operate the organization and communicate information to homeowners. These include Google Workspace (includes website & email), Sendgrid email communications, phone line, monthly newsletters, and accounting software.

Insurance, Legal, & Administration: Fees associated with banking, equipment storage, PO Box, and insurance coverage required by the organization’s bylaws.

To be eligible for all events, member dues must be paid by May 15. Payment options available include credit card via Stripe, Venmo and check. Visit h460.org or use the QR code linked directly to the membership page on the website.



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Perimeter Landscaping & Entry Islands

The Southern Metropolitan District (SMD) is a special taxing district responsible for the maintenance of the perimeter landscaping and the five entry islands to Highlands 460. Its website is www.SouthernMetroDistrict.com. For current information on upcoming meetings and other information please refer to the website. The Chairman of the Board is Ed Quinn who can be reached at SMDCentennial@gmail.com and 303-807-7688.

Contact the Covenant Review Committee

Email: crc@h460.org
Postal address:
H460 Covenant Review Committee
P.O. Box 2252, Centennial, CO 80161

Listen to City Council Meetings

We would like to encourage you to attend some upcoming City Council meetings. If you don’t feel like coming to the City Offices you can listen to the meetings in real time through the City website. Here’s what you need to know. City Council study sessions begin at 6 p.m. and the regular meetings start at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Centennial Civic Center located at 13133 East Arapahoe Rd. If you would like to listen to the live audio of the meeting visit www.centennialco.gov go to Online Services, Listen to Meetings under the Stay in Touch column. The live audio button appears next to the word ‘agenda’ when the meeting begins. You may need to refresh your screen if you do not immediately see the link.

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COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

Volunteering for the H460 Civic Association is a fun and easy way to do something for your community and meet great people in the neighborhood along the way. If you are interested in giving a few hours of your time, current interest areas include: events, governance, technology (website, database, general), and communication (newsletter, social media). If you have a specific interest you would like to lead and don't see listed here, we welcome suggestions. Contact us at board@460.org, and we will connect you with a role.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Carrie Reger news@h460.org

Highlands Highlights is published monthly by the Highlands 460 Civic Association, a non-profit homeowners association. The deadline for news articles and community related announcements is the 10th of the month before the following month’s issue. Articles should be emailed to news@H460.org All articles must be approved by the editor for publication.

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The Covenant Review Committee and Its Fiduciary Role

An HOA Board is composed of residents who live within the HOA community. Board members are selected through a vetting and voting process and are entrusted by their neighbors to help guide the community. In Highlands 460, our Board members are unpaid volunteers who live here, care deeply about the neighborhood, and dedicate their time to serving the community.

Board members serve in a fiduciary role. A *fiduciary* is a legally defined relationship that requires Board members to uphold a standard of care that is in the best interest of the community they serve. This responsibility means Board members must comply with and enforce the HOA Bylaws and Covenants fairly, consistently, and in good faith—regardless of personal preference or individual circumstance.

To help fulfill this obligation, Highlands 460 has a Covenant Review Committee (CRC). The CRC exists to ensure the Board maintains its fiduciary duty to the community by providing thoughtful, objective review of covenant-related matters. These duties include, but are not limited to, supporting the management of HOA financial affairs, helping maintain the neighborhood’s aesthetic and physical setting, and contributing to sound governance of HOA meetings and events.

At times, decisions made by the Covenant Review Committee may be disliked—particularly when they require a homeowner to comply with an existing covenant. While these decisions can be frustrating, they are not personal. Any decision made by the HOA Board or CRC is guided by fiduciary obligation to the community as a whole, not by individual preference.

By acting in this fiduciary role, the Board and CRC help protect the long-term character, consistency, and value of Highlands 460—ensuring our neighborhood remains a place we are all proud to call home.

Newsletter Contributions

Neighbors, we want to hear from YOU! We welcome articles and ideas for the Highlands Highlights newsletter. Tap into your inner author, and send us your thoughts, neighborhood Send articles and photos to the editor at news@h460.org.

Message Line

Email is the best way to communicate with the civic association board, but if you prefer to leave a message, please call 720-644-6448.

Snow Removal From Your Private Property

Many local laws require residents to clear sidewalks within 24 hours after a snowstorm to allow safe use by pedestrians. This is particularly important along school pedestrian routes to prevent children from having to walk in the street.

Owners must place snow from their sidewalks onto their front yard or other areas of their own property, and not into the street. This practice reduces the number of icy areas on streets and ensures proper drainage flow into the storm sewer once snow melts.

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Holiday Decorating Contest Winners Announced!

This year's Holiday Decorating Contest brought warmth, creativity, and festive cheer to every corner of our neighborhood. From classic white lights to bold, colorful displays, the effort and imagination on display made evening strolls a true holiday treat. After careful judging, we're excited to announce the winners of this year's contest:

1st Place: Ken Wolff

2nd Place: Levi Severson

3rd Place: Bob Belin

4th Place: Brandon Upah

5th Place: Bernadette Sullivan

Congratulations to all of our winners, and thank you to everyone who participated. Your displays helped make the season bright and joyful for neighbors and visitors alike. Gift cards will be mailed directly to the winners. We also extend our sincere thanks to our judges—Civic Association Board Members Liesel Dionisio, Rob Horner, and Carrie Reger—and a very special thank you to resident Steve Horst for his time, thoughtful comments, and careful consideration of each display. Your support and involvement made this holiday tradition a success once again.

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Wish Lantern Festival

Friday, February 6, 2026, Silverthorne Pavilion

Part of Silverthorne's First Friday series, the Wish Lantern Festival honors Mexico's Noche de Candela and the Chinese Lunar New Year. Both of these traditions use wish lanterns, and Silverthorne will be floating theirs down the Blue River.

—<https://www.uncovercolorado.com/events/february/>

Get Social With Us

Social media is a great way to connect with neighbors and build community. Highlands 460 has social media pages that allow members to reach out in real time, and communicate with others in our neighborhood. The Civic Association Board will also post important information between monthly newsletters. Please consider joining our Facebook group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/h460residentgroup>) and/or following our neighborhood on Nextdoor (<https://nextdoor.com/neighborhood/thehighlands460--centennial--co>).



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