

CLEAR CREEK BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MEETING AGENDA

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**Clear Creek County Board Of County Commissioners**

**Special Meeting Agenda**

**405 Argentine Street, Georgetown, CO 80444**

**March 23, 2026**

**8:30 a.m.**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR SESSION**

1. Meeting Called To Order
2. Consideration Of Letter Of Support For Pedestrian Bridge Across I-70 At Exit 240.

Documents:

[BOARD AGENDA MEMO.DOCX](#)  
[1. CDS CPF - LETTER OF SUPPORT.DOCX](#)

3. Executive Session: The Board Will Move Into Executive Session For The Following Purposes:

A. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e), for the Board of County Commissioners to confer with the County Attorney for the purposes of: 1) receiving legal advice on specific legal questions concerning proposed legislation, including legislation regarding Automatic Vehicle Identifications Systems (AVIS speed cameras – HB 26-1071) and Bustang funding; and, 2) determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators with regard to the proposed legislation.

4. Return To Regular Session To Adjourn

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# Board Agenda Background

**Date:** 3/23/2026  
**To:** Board of County Commissioners  
**Through:** County Manager's Office  
**From:** Colton Rohloff, County Manager  
**Subject:** Consideration of Letter of Support for Pedestrian Bridge Across I-70 at Exit 240.

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## RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the attached Letter of Support for the City of Idaho Springs' Community Project Funding request for the pedestrian bridge project at Exit 240 along Interstate 70.

## BACKGROUND

The City of Idaho Springs is pursuing federal Community Project Funding to support construction of a pedestrian bridge at Exit 240 along Interstate 70. This project is part of a broader effort to improve multimodal connectivity and safety within the community and along the I-70 corridor.

The proposed bridge would provide a direct connection between downtown Idaho Springs and key destinations located south of the interstate, including an elementary school, childcare services, and planned senior housing. Currently, Interstate 70 acts as a significant barrier, limiting safe pedestrian access and requiring reliance on vehicle travel or unsafe crossings.

Clear Creek County has been asked to provide a formal letter of support to strengthen the City's federal funding application.

## ANALYSIS

The proposed pedestrian bridge aligns with several County priorities, including transportation safety, economic development, and regional coordination along the I-70 corridor.

Key considerations include:

- **Public Safety:** The project reduces pedestrian exposure to high-speed interstate infrastructure and improves safe access for students, families, and seniors.
- **Regional Mobility:** The bridge complements the Idaho Springs Mobility Hub Plan, including planned transit improvements such as bus slip lanes and a transit center.
- **Economic Impact:** Improved connectivity between recreation areas, downtown businesses, and tourism assets supports local economic activity.
- **Multimodal Access:** The project enhances pedestrian and transit connectivity, reducing reliance on vehicle trips in a high-traffic corridor.

Providing a letter of support does not obligate the County financially but demonstrates regional alignment and partnership, which can strengthen the competitiveness of the funding request.

## CONCLUSION

The Idaho Springs pedestrian bridge project represents a strategic investment in safety, connectivity, and economic vitality within Clear Creek County. Approval of the letter of support will assist the City in advancing a project that aligns with County priorities and regional transportation goals.



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**ATTACHMENT:**

1. Letter of Support



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March 23, 2026

The Honorable Joe Neguse  
United States House of Representatives  
2400 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Neguse:

On behalf of Clear Creek County, I am writing to express strong support for the City of Idaho Springs' request for Community Project Funding to advance the pedestrian bridge project at Exit 240 along Interstate 70. This project represents a critical investment in public safety, multimodal connectivity, and long-term community development in Clear Creek County.

The proposed pedestrian bridge will provide a safe and direct connection between downtown Idaho Springs and key community destinations located south of I-70, including an elementary school, childcare services, and future affordable senior housing. The project also directly supports the first phase of the Idaho Springs Mobility Hub Plan for regional transportation improvements at Exit 240 in partnership with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), including the construction of a transit center and bus slip lanes to accommodate Bustang and other regional transit services. Currently, the interstate creates a significant physical barrier, forcing residents and visitors to rely on vehicle trips or navigate high-speed highway infrastructure. This project will meaningfully improve safety for students, families, and seniors while reducing unnecessary vehicle movements.

Idaho Springs serves as a gateway community along one of Colorado's most heavily traveled mountain corridors. The pedestrian bridge will enhance access between recreation areas along the Clear Creek Greenway Trail, commercial rafting operations, and the historic downtown district. By improving connectivity and keeping visitors safely out of roadway conflicts, the project will support local businesses, strengthen tourism activity, and contribute to the regional economy.

This project supports broader regional transportation goals by improving pedestrian access across a major interstate corridor and directly complementing the Idaho Springs Mobility Hub Plan for transit-related interchange improvements at Exit 240, including a transit center and slip lanes designed to accommodate Bustang and other regional transit services. By providing safe pedestrian connectivity between downtown Idaho Springs on the north side of I-70 and the community facilities on the south side of I-70, the bridge would enable seamless multimodal travel, allowing residents, workers, and visitors to safely access transit at the interchange. This coordinated investment strengthens regional mobility, enhances transit accessibility along the I-70 corridor, and aligns with state and regional transportation planning efforts.



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The pedestrian bridge will also play an important role in supporting planned community investments, including future affordable senior housing south of the interstate. By improving access between housing, services, and downtown amenities, the project strengthens long-term community development and helps ensure that residents can safely access essential services and opportunities.

For these reasons, Clear Creek County strongly supports this request and encourages your favorable consideration of funding for this important project. This investment will deliver meaningful safety improvements, enhance connectivity, and provide lasting benefits to residents, businesses, and visitors throughout the region.

Thank you for your leadership and continued support of infrastructure investments that strengthen Colorado communities.

Sincerely,

Clear Creek County Board of County Commissioners

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Rebecca Lloyd, Chair

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Jodie Hartman-Ball, Commissioner

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George Marlin, Commissioner