

Councilwoman Sawyer,

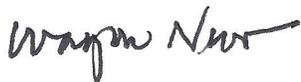
At first, I was amused by the comments that I had supported a GID when I was the Councilman and thought I would just ignore it. Thinking again, I realize it is important that I give you some facts associated with this GID process for the Golden Triangle, since my GID experience surely relates to you and the Cherry Creek GID process.

When the improvement opportunity of a GID was mentioned to me, I thought about the areas of District 10, and it seemed clear that the Golden Triangle could be benefited. I contracted with Jamie Gilleis, and the process of data collection began. The data clearly illustrated both the large number of businesses and residents active in the area. A series of community meetings, which I attended, were held, and Jaime presented some improvement ideas but without any definitive costs for any improvement. After listening to the attendee discussion, it was clear to me that there was not sufficient support from either businesses or residents. It was critical that I respect their opinions on the GID, and I made the decision to stop the GID process.

As you know, listening to your constituents is essential for City Council success. When you have overwhelming opposition to any proposal, you need to re-evaluate whether pursuing a program or process can be successful and beneficial to the District area. In these situations, communication with and respect for constituent feelings and opinions are critically important to improving relationships and future success.

From the overwhelming Cherry Creek resident and small business opposition to the GID and its process to date, it is obvious that a GID in Cherry Creek North neighborhood is not desired. It is causing a serious detrimental effect and disappointment in the communication and the leadership in our neighborhood and district. This kind of unhealthy disruption should not be allowed to continue. Therefore, as I learned in the past, it is time for you to re-evaluate and stop the Cherry Creek GID process and, most importantly, to work to improve resident respect and all relationships within our wonderful neighborhood.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wayne New". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Councilman Wayne New