FAIRWAY VILLAS CAC NEWSLETTER



CAC MEMBERS

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Next Community Meeting Saturday 8/6/2022 10:00 am In-person and via Zoom

LINKS:

CAC Website https://www.fvcac

On the main page click on the "More" tab to find:

- CAC Meeting Minutes
- SDM Info
- Archived Documents

YMCA Website https://www.clubfv

Excel Energy

Michael Sapp, State Government Affairs for City and County of Denver returned with Grace Lopez, Local Area Manager for City and County of Denver. Steve Wisehartt, Technician Expert on Time of Use Smart Meters was on the Zoom call, to answer resident questions concerning the Smart Meters and Time of Use billing.

Smart Meters started rolling out in the Denver area in Q3 2021 and will continue for three years. Excel continues to improve communications and notifications about the Smart Meters, since they first started rolling out. Fairway Villas residences, with the exception of residences with solar installations, had smart meters installed this spring. If you received your Smart Meter during the first six months of this year, you will not be billed the Time of Use rates until the October billing cycle. However, you can go online to My Account and see and download your usage for the three Time of Use categories, High-Peak, Mid-Peak, and Off Peak. Now is a good time to start tracking your usage to understand how you will be impacted and benefit from Time of Use billing rates, and thinking about how the changes could affect your utility usage patterns. It is also a good time to invest in a Smart Thermostat, if you don't have one. There are rebates for them.

If you choose to optout of the Time of Use rate, you will need to call Excel Energy to switch to the Flat rate. You will only be allowed to switch from rate types once every 12 months, at no cost. There is a difference in switching rates and switching meters. If you choose to switch from a Smart Meter (Wifi) to a Regular Meter (manually read) there will be an \$11.00 surcharge on your monthly bill. (Our observation - keep your smart meter, as the flat rates with a smart meter, and the rates using a Regular meter are the same).

Smart Meter installations for Customers with Solar Systems will begin in the second quarter of 2023, with TOU rates going into effect during the October 2023 billing cycle. Colorado Solar & Storage Association (COSSA) was very active and concerned with how Time of Use would impact customers with solar power. A structure called Net Metering takes excess energy from residents with solar and imports it back into the grid. This results in higher credits for those residents during high peak periods.

Helpful Links:

- Excel Engergy Register or Sign-In, click <u>here</u>.
- Xcel app for iPhones, click <u>here</u>.
- Xcel app for Android phones, click <u>here</u>.

YMCA

Kimberly Armitage, Senior Vice President has been with the YMCA (Y) for 30 years and recently met with several Fairway Villa residents about issues and concerns. She also spoke at our CAC community meeting, July 9, 2022 and plans to come back quarterly. The "Y" is working to bring events and activities back to a precovid level and will be adding additional staff. Jessica Hughes, Event Coordinator started in mid July and will be working evenings and weekends and overseeing events and activities. The Y and the Fairway Villa's Social Committee (Fun Posi) is planning on six large social events per year, and other events depending on available budget.

Landscaping throughout Fairway Villas has been an area of concern and confusion for many residents. The CAC published a Responsibility Contact Diagram that was distributed via the CAC emai list, and is available on the FV website, or the CAC website. The areas the Y is responsible for are shown on the diagram in pink (Clubhouse, Lodge, and Gardens) and yellow (Bungalows). The other areas in light green are the responsibility of TCMD/Timberline. Please take some time to familiarize yourself with the FV Responsibility Contact Diagram (link below).

The existing Resident Handbook is followed to the "T' by the Y staff. The Y has heard and understands there are concerns with some of the Rules and Regulations. They plan to work with TCMD to see if there is any possibility of making changes that better meet the desires of the community. Kimberly also intends to share some examples of how aggressive behavior can be handled with the TCMD. There has been some recent issues, and everyone needs to learn to work together, be respectful, and professional. The community has been through a lot these last few years with the Y coming on board, COVID, and the builder moving out. It is something this community can get through successfully.

Alex Kennedy, Sub-District Manager has been doing an amazing job of streamlining processes, saving us money, and providing transparency we have not seen in years. Please take some time to review his latest report for Q1 and April of 2022 (link below) and thank Alex when you see him.

Helpful Links:

FV Responsibility Contact Diagram 07/22, click <u>here</u>. Subdistrict Manager Report Quarter 1 2022 April 2022 Reports, click <u>here</u>.

CAC Bylaws

The Bylaws are the governing document for the CAC to define their purpose and how they conduct business. The CAC has worked to clean up language, added a code of conduct, and roles and responsibilities. The CAC solicited community feedback on the changes and will be compiling and making additional changes. Once completed they will determine when to send out for the community to vote on. The originally stated schedule will be delayed.

CAC Elections

An election for four CAC members will take place in August. If you are interested in running, submit a short bio to the CAC website, <u>https://www.fvcac.com/contact</u>. You will have an opportunity to say a few words at the next CAC community meeting, Saturday, August 6, 2022 at 10:00 AM. Ballots will be sent to all residents to vote after the meeting.

CAC – Community Advisory Committee

SDM – Sub-District Manager

TCMD – Town Center Metro District

FV – Fairway Villas