

A panoramic view of the Denver skyline at dusk. The city lights are glowing against a dark blue sky, with snow-capped mountains visible in the background. The foreground shows residential buildings and trees.

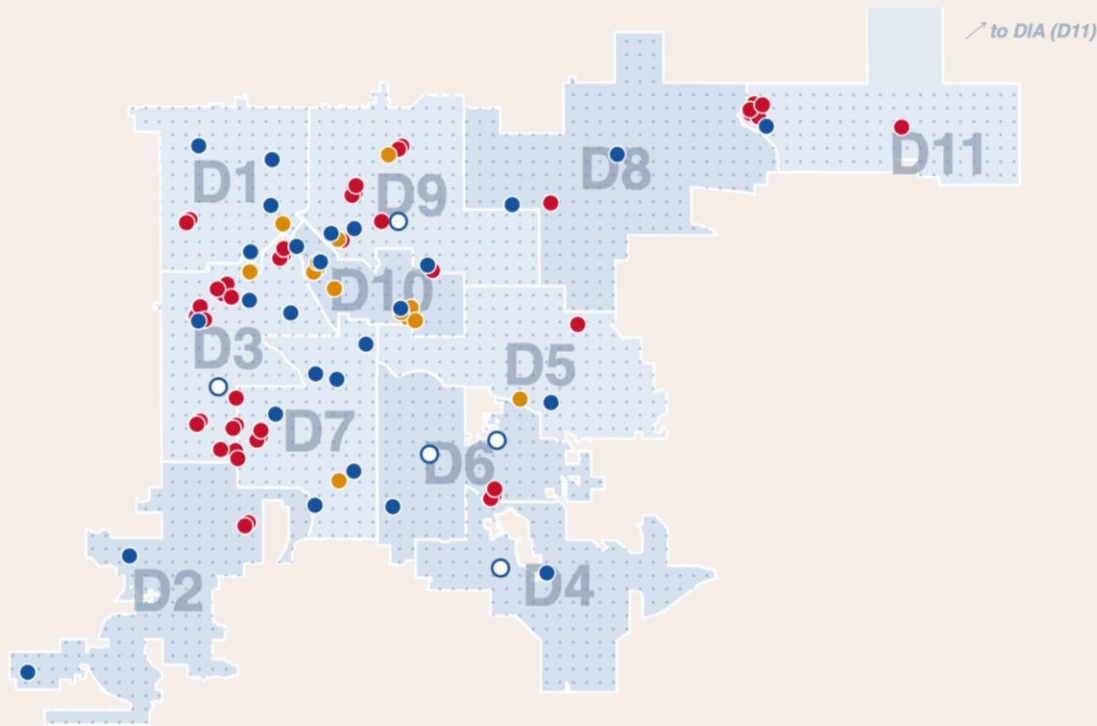
# KEEPING DENVER SAFE & POWERED

Denver City Council Budget & Policy Committee  
June 8, 2026

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Grace Lopez Ramirez, Senior Area Manager



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (TO DATE)



- RNO / BID (28)
- Community Event (~15)
- Red Truck (47)
- ⋮ Citywide Webinars (3)
- Scheduled (4)

## Franchise Agreement Visits

Through June 7, 2026

● Feb 12 University Neighbors Neighborhood Assoc. D6	● Apr 8 Alamo Placita Neighbors Association D7
● Feb 17 Berkeley Regis United Neighbors D1	● Apr 15 Highlands United Neighbors D1
● Feb 25 Ballpark Collective RNO D9	● Apr 21 Platte Park Peoples Association D7
● Mar 4 Sunnyside United Neighbors, Inc. D1	● Apr 23 Capitol Hill United Neighborhoods D10
● Mar 5 Neighbors of Overland North D7	⋮ Apr 29 Community Webinar Citywide
● Mar 5 Downtown Denver Business Improvement D10	● May 5 INC Sustainability Committee Citywide
● Mar 10 Athmar Park Neighborhood Association D7	⋮ May 7 Community Webinar Citywide
● Mar 10 Baker Historic Neighborhood Association D7	● May 15 Jefferson Park Neighborhood Assoc. D1
● Mar 12 Montbello 2020 & Beyond D11	● May 19 Bear Valley Improvement Association D2
● Mar 17 Winston Downs Community Association D5	● May 20 Lincoln Broadway Corridor D7
● Mar 17 Central Park United Neighbors D8	● May 20 South City Park Neighborhood Assoc. D9
● Mar 25 La Alma Lincoln Park Neighborhood Assoc. D3	● Jun 2 Sun Valley Community Coalition D3
● Mar 25 Villa Park Neighborhood Association D3	⋮ Jun 3 Community Webinar Citywide
● Mar 31 Lower Downtown Neighborhood Assoc. D10	● Jun 4 Greater Park Hill Community D8
● Apr 2 Glenbrook/Autumn Run/Village D2	● Jun 5 Wellshire East HOA D4
● Apr 2 Curtis Park Neighbors D9	

**Beyond June 7:** Additional RNO/BID listening and franchise agreement sessions scheduled, plus a 4th citywide webinar (June 25), Xcel Energy community events, and Red Truck activations across Denver. One-on-one conversations, outreach, and community engagement are ongoing.

# 1,500+

Outreach Contacts



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# 31

Listening & Franchise Agreement Presentations

# 47

Red Truck Events

# MAJOR THEMES FROM COUNCIL & COMMUNITY

- **Streetlight outages and maintenance**
- **Notification for planned outages**
- **Improved customer experience**
- **Vegetation management notification**
- **Undergrounding distribution lines**
- **Substation landscaping maintenance**

## Rapid Response Team:

Community Relations, Outdoor lighting, customer care, operations, vegetation management, distribution, transmission, capacity planning, and substations



# FRANCHISE VALUE & ENERGY PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (EPA) CHANGES

Xcel Energy & Denver partnership focused on coordination, affordability, access to energy assistance, innovation, sustainability and reliability.

## Franchise Value

- ~ \$30 Million / year in Franchise Fees
- ~ \$150 Million/ year in Infrastructure Relocation
- ~ \$10 Million/ year in Underground Power Lines
- Restore power fast
- Emergency response
- Workforce development & opportunity
- Real accountability

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- **Navigator to connect Denver customers to programs**
- **Commitment to beautification of substations with community engagement and good neighbor agreement**
- **Denver pilot collaboration**



# BEAUTIFICATION OF SUBSTATIONS



# Questions

