

Proclamation CP12-0263

In recognition of Colorado Architecture Month: April 2012

WHEREAS, we are shaped to a great extent by our built environment - buildings, public spaces, streetscapes, bridges - and the interaction with our natural environment; and

WHEREAS, an essential element of Denver's character is the quality of its architecture, urban design and civic realm created by architects of the past and the present; and

WHEREAS, a core goal of *Comprehensive Plan 2000* is to identify and utilize the very best of Denver's traditional architectural and landscape legacies as a guide for 21st Century growth and development while allowing for creativity and a spirit of adventure; and

WHEREAS, American Institute of Architecture (AIA) members have been constructively engaged in development of Denver's first new zoning code in over 50 years, helping review, test and refine various concepts to ensure the new code achieves the desired result of balance between preserving Denver's architectural heritage while allowing new, innovations in design; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Component and the Denver Chapter of AIA are dedicated to fostering design excellence by current architects and inspiring the next generation of architects through events such as Colorado Architecture Month; and

WHEREAS, during Colorado Architecture Month, AIA Denver offers several free opportunities to the public to experience the many aspects of architecture, including:

Saturday, April 14

Denver Box City for Kids (Educational Activity for Children)

Time: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Location: Wellington Webb E. Municipal Building, Atrium (201 W. Colfax Ave., Denver, CO 80202)

Denver Box City for Kids, hosted by AIA Denver, is a very popular event where children experience the design and construction industry firsthand by requesting permits, ordering materials, designing buildings and constructing those buildings into a cardboard city.

Saturday - Sunday, April 14 – 15 Doors Open Denver: Expert- and Self-guided Tours

Time: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Explore Denver from the inside out while visiting some of the city's best-known and lesser-known architectural treasures. Pre-registration for all expert tours and, alternately, self-guided tours are available at participating sites.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER THAT:

Section 1. The Council hereby recognizes April 2012 as Colorado Architecture Month and urges Denver residents to participate in the exciting spectrum of events being offered.

Section 2. That the Clerk of the City and County of Denver shall attest and affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that copies be transmitted to AIA Colorado, AIA Denver and the Denver Office of Cultural Affairs.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL April 2, 2012

		PRESIDENT