

PROCLAMATION



City and County of Denver

Proclamation No. CP14-0030

In Recognition of Kerry Buckey upon the Occasion of his Retirement

WHEREAS, Kerry Buckey, an Assistant City Attorney for Denver for almost 14 years has worked with Public Works, Parks & Recreation, Community Planning & Development, Planning Board, Landmark Preservation Commission and other boards and with City Council, and he always provides sage and sound advice in a practical, accessible manner and with a wry sense of humor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Buckey brought a wide range of experiences and talents to the City, which include adapting through many changes as an “Army brat”; caring for his beloved menagerie of horses, dogs, cats and other varmints at his Foothills homestead; and acquiring an undergraduate degree in Biology, which served Council well as it considered backyard bees, chickens and goats; and

WHEREAS, Kerry served in the US Army in South Korea, where he drove a tank to the drive-in movies, which easily translated to dealing with city parking needs; and

WHEREAS, an avid motorcyclist, Kerry often turned up at meetings in full leather and helmet, perhaps giving his opinions added gravitas; he brought first-hand experience to deliberations on vehicle noise limits and led to the innovation of allowing more than one motorcycle per parking space, furthering the City’s goal of being multi-modal friendly; and

WHEREAS, Kerry’s fingerprints and more are all over so many plans, policies and ordinances it is impossible to adequately enumerate, but to recognize a few: the new Denver Zoning Code; the concept for the Lower Downtown Design Review District and the “chocolate-chip cookie” Downtown Historic District; tree preservation efforts; updates to the Landmark Preservation Ordinance; demolition review; and many important court cases on behalf of the City involving zoning, land use and preservation; and

WHEREAS, Kerry has the ability to translate complex ordinance language into accessible concepts, and he is one of the “go-to guys” always available and responsive, be it at early morning meetings or late night Council meetings, sometimes on the same day.

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

Section 1. The Council hereby recognizes and thanks Kerry Buckey for his 14 years of service to the City and wishes him many more safe and sunny miles on the open roads.

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 post it on Kerry Buckey’s motorcycle.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL January 27, 2014

PRESIDENT