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Community Planning and Development

2020 Budget

*Helping to create an inclusive,
connected and healthy city with
bold visions for responsible growth*

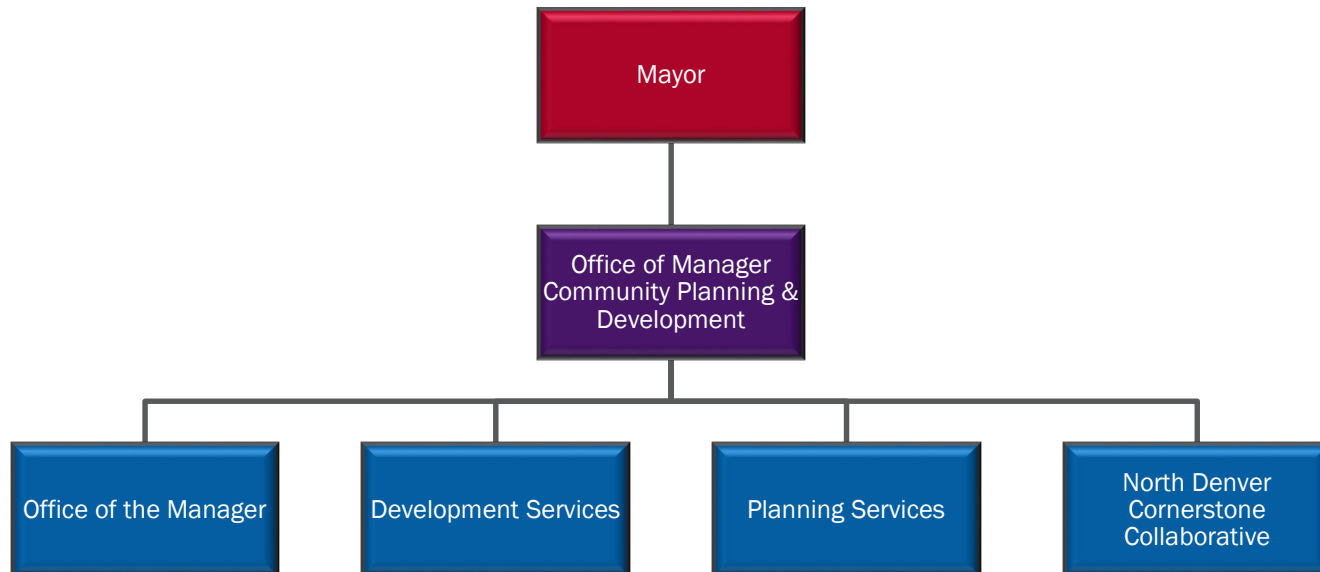


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Who We Serve



Overview of Divisions

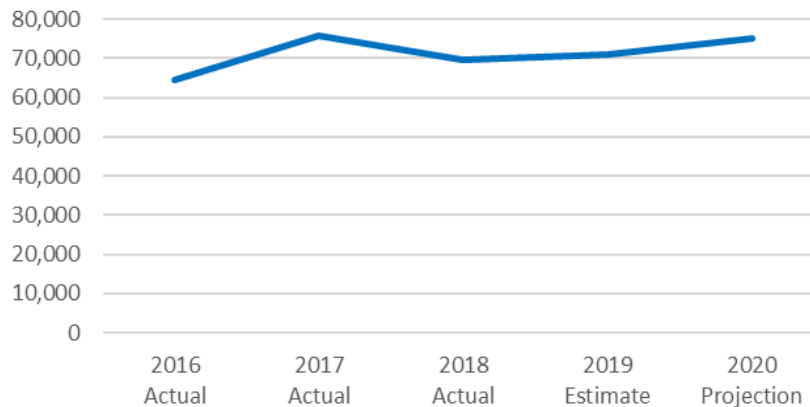


Department Strategic Plan

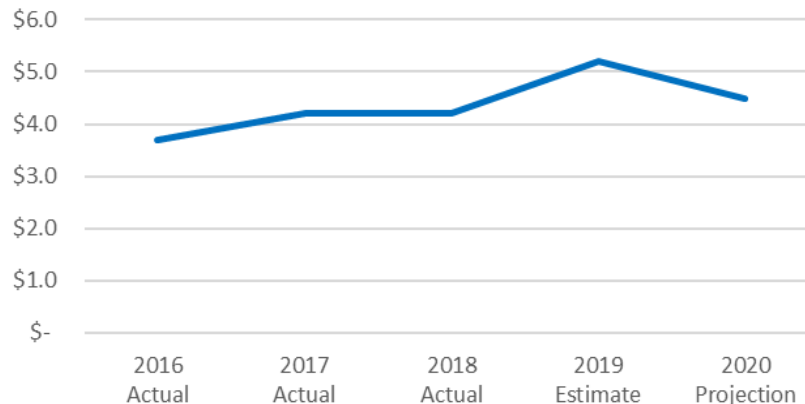


Key Performance Indicators

Permits Issued



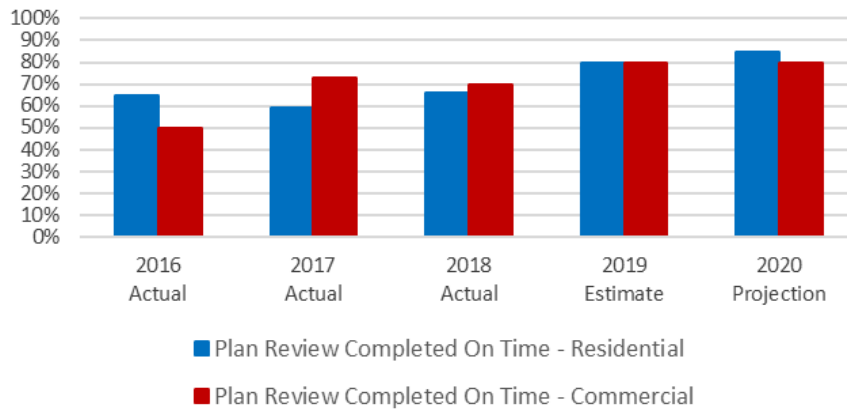
Permit Valuation (Billions)



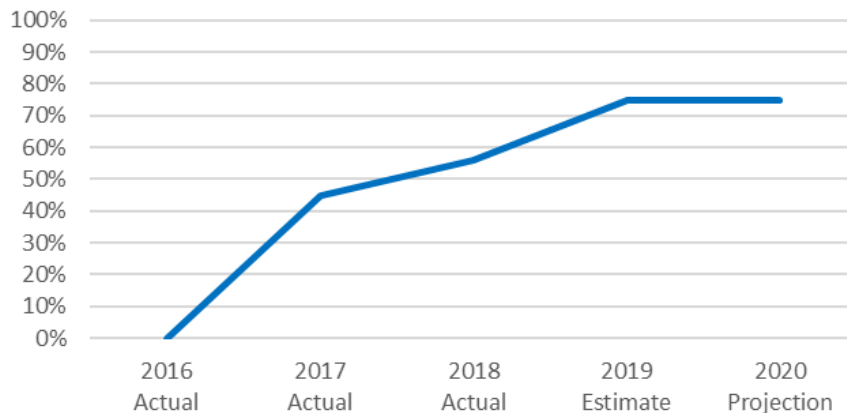
- Number of permits is projected to stay relatively flat
- Valuation is projected to decrease slightly in 2020
- Suggests steady level of permit-related activity in 2020

Key Performance Indicators

Plan Review Completed On Time



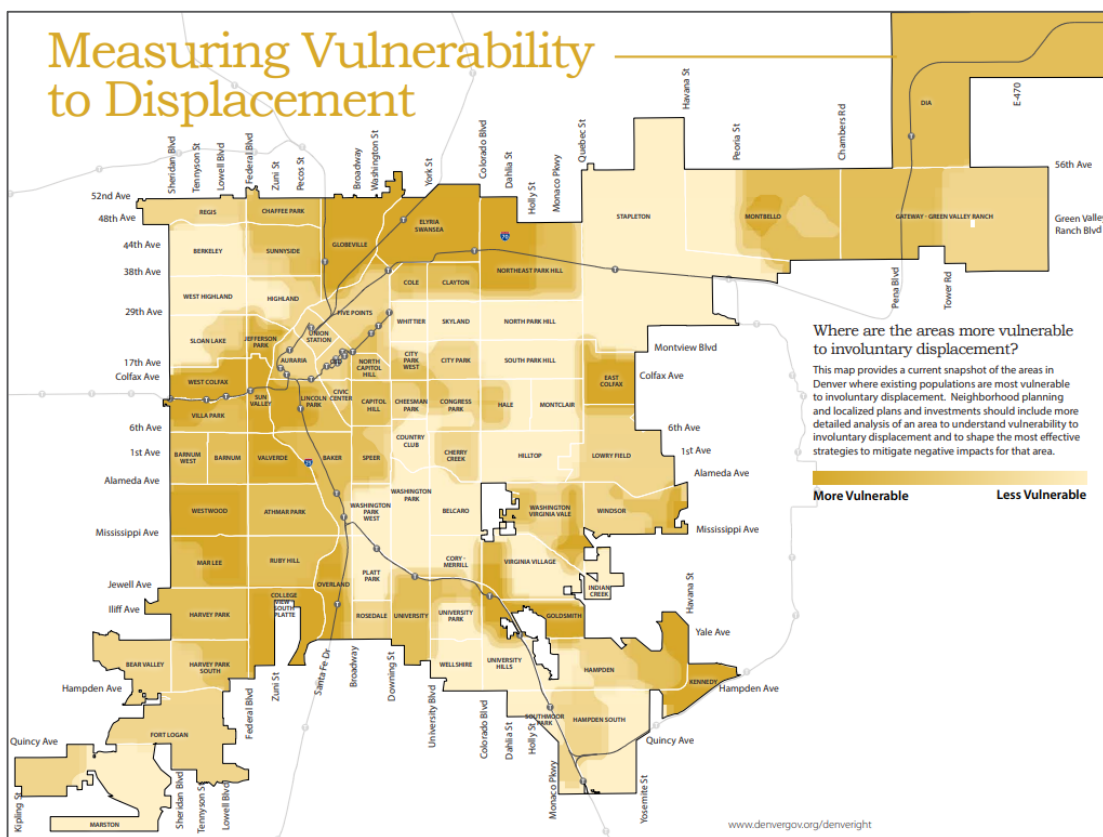
Electronic Adoption Rate



- Over the years, CPD has made notable improvements in the area of on-time reviews
- Permit review and related inspections ensure **safe buildings** that meet zoning standards
- Moving to electronic plan review has simplified the permitting process, reducing vehicle trips to the Webb Building and extensive paper documents.

Key Performance Indicators

Measuring Vulnerability to Displacement



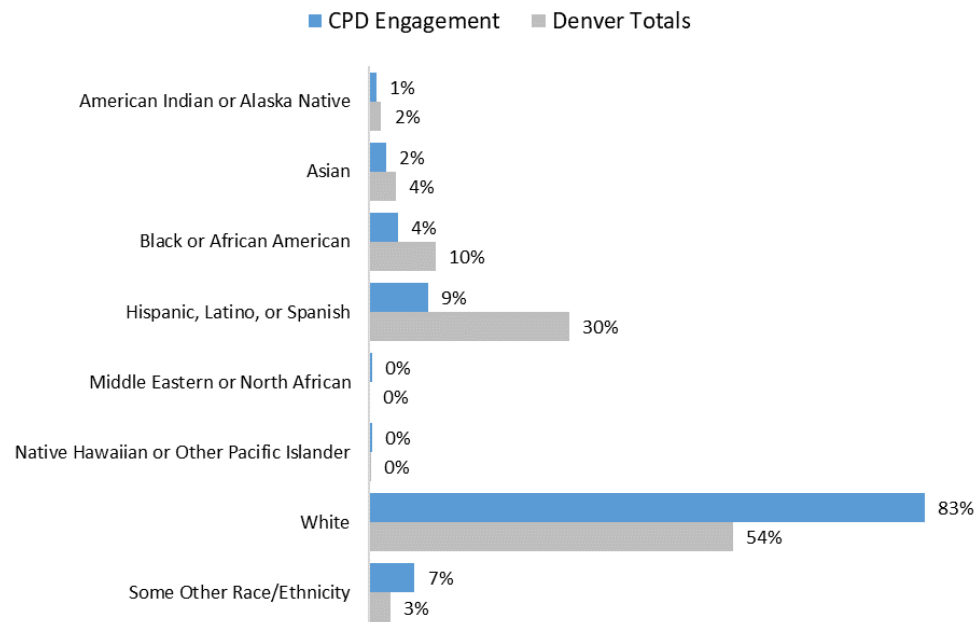
Today, we are integrating equity into planning in ways that *Blueprint 2002* did not.

Our guiding **equity concepts** for fostering inclusive, complete neighborhoods are:

- Improving access to opportunity
- Reducing vulnerability to displacement
- Expanding housing and jobs diversity

Key Performance Indicators

Race/Ethnicity: CPD Engagement vs. Denver Totals (Population 15+)



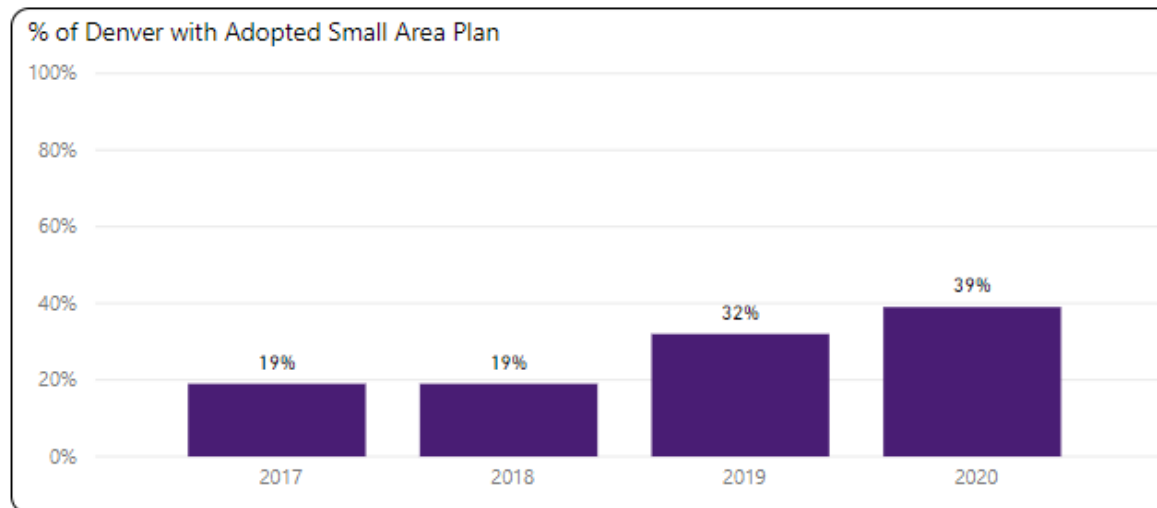
- We are tracking our reach among key demographics who are traditionally under-represented in civic engagement.
- Race/ethnicity is just one measure as an example
- If we can't reach every single person, our goal is to hear from as wide a range of voices as possible so we have plans that reflect diverse viewpoints and experiences.

Neighborhood Planning Initiative (NPI)

Expenditures	Revenues	FTE	Duration
\$580,000 (NPI) \$50,000 (WDRC)	N/A	N/A	One-Time

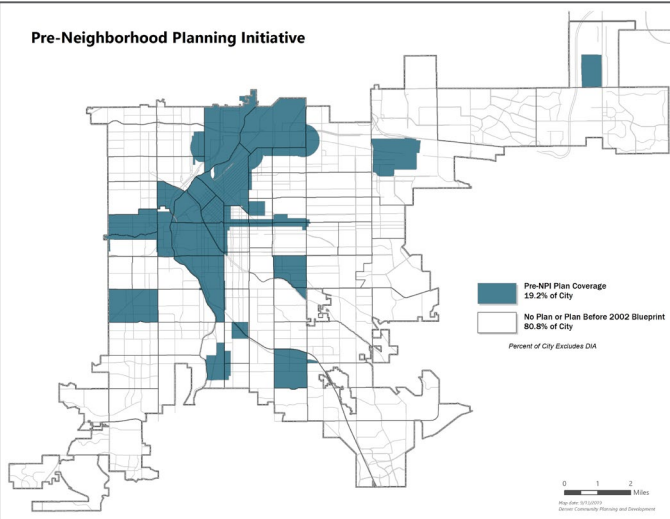
This funding will support consultant services for 2 area plans launching in 2020 and a 3rd area plan kicking off in 2019 and extending into 2020. Working with the community to articulate their vision for their neighborhood is the first step in strengthening Denver's neighborhoods. This investment will allow CPD to continue conversations and prioritization with our community members. The additional funding supplements our existing staff time and allows us to retain subject matter experts, community involvement specialists and multi-lingual support. This additional funding adds to the \$120,000 currently allocated to NPI in the base budget, bringing NPI funding up to \$700,000 annually.

To further preserve Denver's neighborhoods, CPD will also leverage West Denver Renaissance Collaborative (WDRC) capacity to further CPD initiatives around neighborhood planning, and special projects related to addressing housing and involuntary displacement issues.

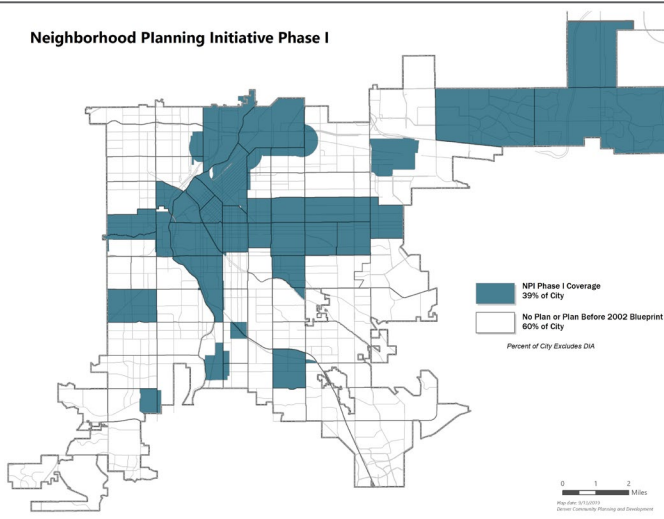


Planning in every neighborhood within 8-12 years

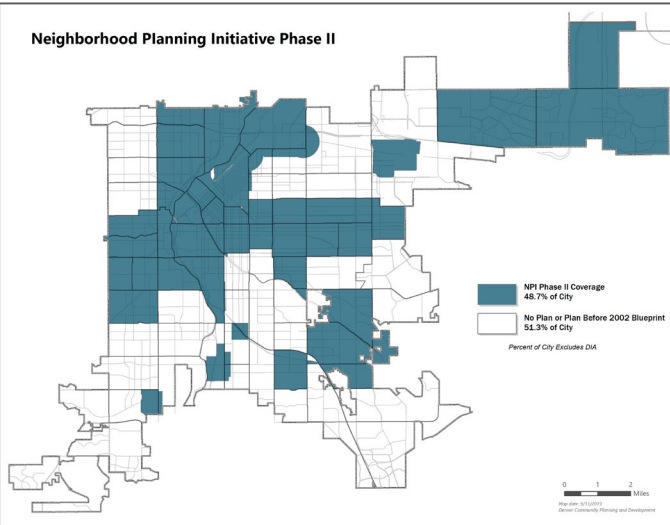
Pre-Neighborhood Planning Initiative



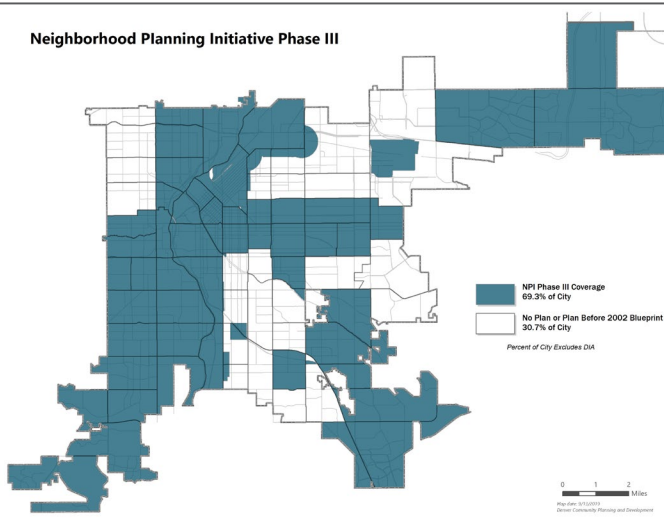
Neighborhood Planning Initiative Phase I



Neighborhood Planning Initiative Phase II



Neighborhood Planning Initiative Phase III



Complete

- Far Northeast –
District 11

Underway

- East –
Districts 5, 8
- East Central –
Districts 9, 10
- West –
Districts 1, 3, 7

Launching 2020

- Near Northwest –
District 1
- Near Southeast –
Districts 4, 5, 6

New Residential Design Quality Senior City Planner and Consultant Services

Expenditures	Revenues	FTE	Duration
\$288,712	N/A	1.0	Permanent

A key priority identified in the newly adopted Blueprint Denver calls for improving residential design quality in all Denver neighborhoods. This will entail a broad range of tools such as major updates to the zoning code form standards and design overlays. This position and associated design consultant funding will provide resources and expertise to improve design quality throughout all of Denver's neighborhoods as recommended in Blueprint Denver.

% of Denver Subject to Design Standards

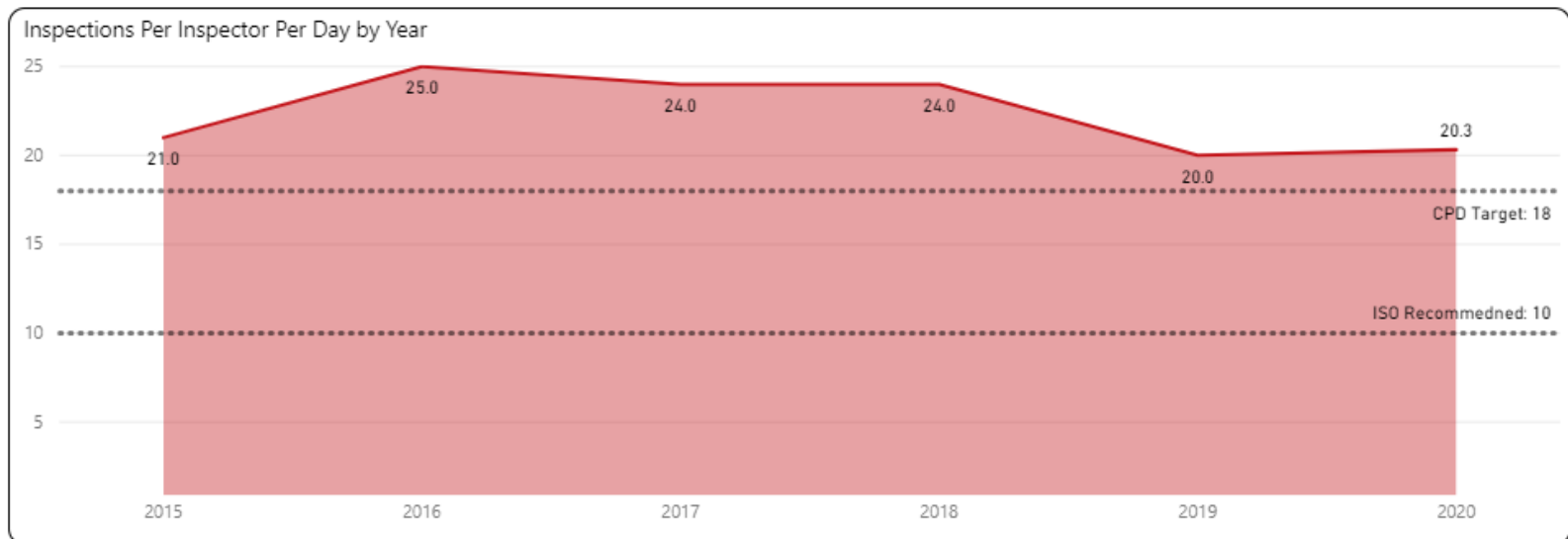


This is one of the highest-priority action items from Blueprint Denver.

New Green Building Construction Inspector

Expenditures	Revenues	FTE	Duration
\$115,953	N/A	1.0	Permanent

The new Green Building Ordinance is an integral part of commercial plan review, permitting and inspection processes completed on a daily basis. The department was able to hire two plan review team members at the start of this Ordinance to allow plan review to occur. Now that projects are being constructed, Development Services will utilize a dedicated Green Building Ordinance inspector to verify these code requirements are being accomplished. The Green Buildings Ordinance offers multiple options for compliance.



Green Buildings Ordinance

- Strengthened the voter-led green roofs initiative by making its environmental goals achievable by more buildings
- Developed by people on both sides of the initial ordinance, including the author of the green roofs initiative, academics, and DDPHE
- Most existing buildings were exempt previously – they are NOT exempt under the green buildings ordinance
 - **30 permits** for green building solutions so far (2/3rds in existing buildings)
- Same reduction in greenhouse gas emissions over time
- Greater impact at reducing the urban heat island
- Adds up to 3.5 million MORE square feet of green space by 2050



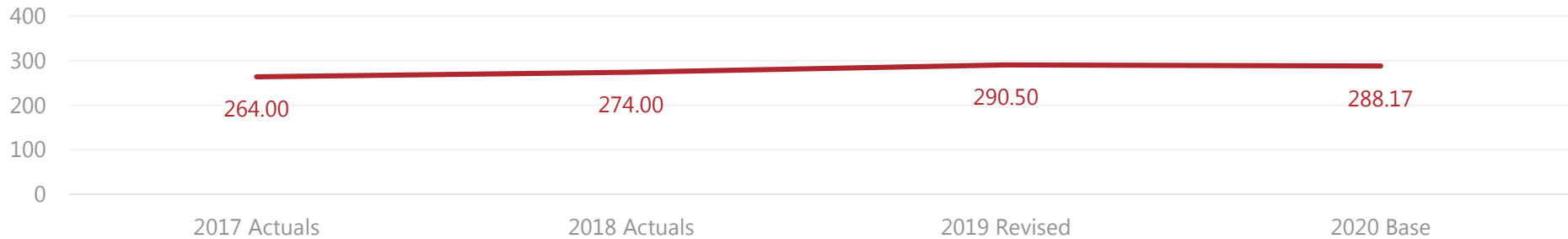
Description	Amount
Office of the Manager: Cell-Phone Stipends	(\$20,000)
Office of the Manager: Maintenance Agreements, Leases and Rentals, and Administrative Expenses	(\$29,000)
Development Services: Travel, Subscriptions, and Professional Services	(\$55,000)
Development Services: On-Call Services	(\$107,649)
Planning Services: Professional Services	(\$80,000)
Office of the Manager: Abolish Administrator I in Fourth Quarter of 2020 due to retirement	(\$52,632)
Office of the Manager: Temporary Hold of Deputy Director for 2020	(\$168,753)
Development Services: Temporary Hold of Plans Review Engineer for 2020	(\$175,169)
Total	(\$688,203)

Race and Social Justice Initiative

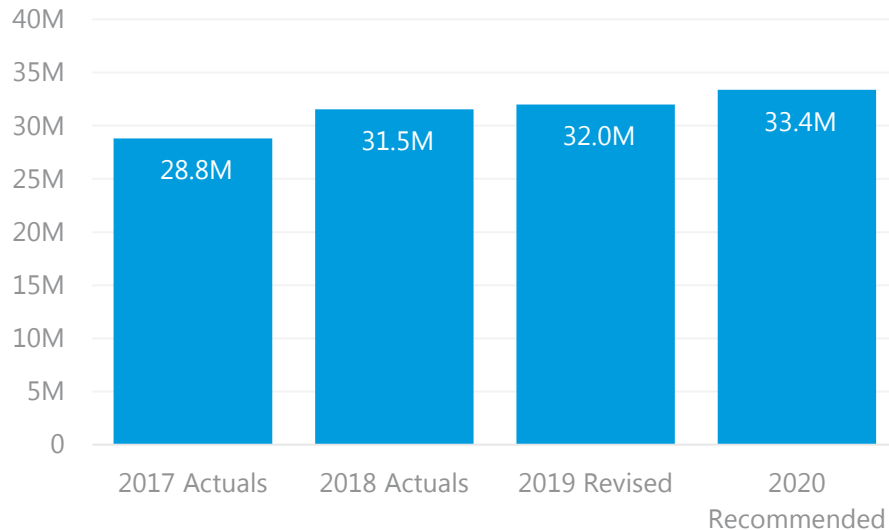
Budget Expansion	Community Benefit	Community Impact (Burden)	Reduce Gaps in Race and Ethnic Outcomes
Neighborhood Planning Initiative Funds	The Neighborhood Planning Initiative is designed to engage all Denver residents in a collaborative public process to inform the visions that guide city decision-making over the next 20 years.	Given the complexities and number of Denver neighborhoods, we continue to balance the needs of many stakeholders.	To determine the sequence of our planning areas, we evaluate the areas of greatest planning need based on changing demographics, an equity analysis (as defined in Blueprint, including access to opportunity and displacement risk), the alignment of current policy and zoning, and other factors. The equity analysis is also part of the existing conditions analysis once planning begins in an area.
Residential Design Quality Senior City Planner and Consultant Services	This position and work is intended to focus equitably on all of Denver's neighborhoods. Benefits include preserving neighborhood character and ensuring new buildings feel compatible.	There are concerns that additional design standards could be burdensome to lower-income communities; however, some also feel only wealthier neighborhoods benefit from design standards.	CPD is committed to partnering with the community to ensure historically marginalized groups, communities of color, and First Nations people have meaningful opportunities to participate and develop residential design quality standards. This includes intentional community outreach with a race and social justice lens to help mitigate unintended outcomes and systemic barriers to participation.
Green Building Inspector	The green building inspector position will provide the expertise needed to help enforce new requirements around green building and energy efficiency.	There may be an unintentional burden to businesses that can't afford the required enhancements per the green building regulations.	All communities may benefit from the Green Buildings Ordinance goals tied to reduced urban heat island effect, increases in green space, and higher energy efficiency/lower regional pollution. We will need to monitor specific neighborhood-level data to determine how racial and ethnic health outcomes are improved.

Community Planning and Development General Fund Expenses, Revenues, and FTEs

Total FTE



Total Expenses



Total Revenues

