

MEETING SUMMARY

**Westminster Municipal Courthouse Project
Community Advisory Team**

Meeting #4: Thursday, August 1, 2024
6:30-8 p.m.

The fourth Community Advisory Team (CAT) meeting for the Westminster Municipal Courthouse Project began with a recap of public engagement touch-points and topics to date:

CAT Meeting #1
2/28/24

CAT Meeting #2
3/28/24

CAT Meeting #3
5/1/24

Open House #1
5/22/24



Small Group Breakout Discussions

CAT members divided into four small breakout groups to discuss concept site designs, as well as traffic, parking and pedestrian needs in more detail to share during the larger group feedback session*:

BUILDING DESIGN

- The site concept design generally reflects the feedback provided by the CAT, with specific appreciation for the layout and architectural appeal.
- Enhancements could include incorporating classic courthouse features to better align with traditional courthouse aesthetics, as well as representing the historic aspect through public art.



Site Material Concepts

In addition to group discussions and feedback, CAT members were presented with an opportunity to share likes and dislikes on a variety of site material options including large format stone, linear brick, and metal panels.

TRAFFIC, PARKING, & PEDESTRIAN NEEDS

- Parking design was considered adequate, with positive feedback on moving staff parking into a secured area.
- There is a strong desire for dedicated bike/e-bike parking, and improved ADA ramp access.
- Comments were raised about wanting pedestrian access to Turnpike Drive; a clear line of sight is desired.
- Additional pathways were requested into the park and connected to the playground.
- The CAT team emphasized the importance of ensuring way-finding is sufficient by voting on their most frequently accessed routes to the courthouse.
- Suggestions for additional enhancements include additional traffic calming in the parking lot, wider sidewalks in the park for riding, bike paths in surrounding areas, and walkable, soft surface trails.

**Comments have been consolidated to generally represent considerations consistent between groups.*

