
AGENDA

MARCH 3 & 4, 2011



THE NEXT WEST: 20TH ANNIVERSARY LAND USE CONFERENCE

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Welcome

The Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute's 20th Anniversary presents a singular opportunity to explore both change and continuity in the region's communities and landscapes over the past two decades while beginning to look ahead to the next twenty years, to the Next West.

An extraordinary confluence of forces is changing the way communities across the West and the nation plan, grow and define their success. Climate change, technology, globalization, urbanization and a new wave of immigration are challenging old rules and patterns of development—both physical and economic.

As the region begins to emerge from the current economic crisis, professionals and citizens alike will need to understand the forces driving our land use and development patterns, forces that cut across geography, disciplines, fields and sectors. Like never before, they will be called upon to design new models that join prosperity, community and ecology in a bold vision tailored to the needs of a rapidly changing region in a radically changing world.

About the Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute

The Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute seeks to elevate the law, policy and practice of sustainable development in the West to promote nature-friendly, prosperous and equitable communities. Through innovative research, education and professional development programs and its renowned annual conference, the Institute trains and connects students and professionals across disciplines, sectors and regions to build the sustainable development field while creating new possibilities for the future of the West's landscapes and livelihoods.



About the Sturm College of Law

The University of Denver Sturm College of Law is a top 100 law school with nationally ranked programs in environmental and natural resources law, legal writing, clinical training, international law, trial advocacy and tax law. At the heart of the law school's mission is the integration of skills and professional identity with a balanced curriculum. Our goal is to graduate practice-ready, client-focused students who understand and embrace the responsibilities of legal practice, both as a representative of the client and as a professional committed to improvement of the law and the community.



About the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

The Lincoln Institute of Land Policy is a leading resource for key issues concerning the use, regulation, and taxation of land. Providing high quality education and research, the Institute strives to improve public dialogue and decisions about land policy. As a private operating foundation, whose origins date to 1946, we seek to inform decision-making through education, research, policy evaluation, demonstration projects, and the dissemination of information, policy analysis, and data through publications, our Web site, and other media. By bringing together scholars, practitioners, public officials, policymakers, journalists and involved citizens, the Lincoln Institute integrates theory and practice and provides a nonpartisan forum for multidisciplinary perspectives on public policy concerning land, both in the U.S. and internationally.



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AGENDA: THURSDAY, MARCH 3

7:00am — 8:15am

REGISTRATION OPENS - *Sturm College of Law Forum*

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8:30am — 10:00am

Welcome & Keynote - *Sam & Freda Davis Auditorium - Sturm Hall*



Martin Katz, Dean and Professor, University of Denver Sturm College of Law
William Shutkin, Executive Director & Lecturer, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

Keynote:
Rick Bass, Author

Rick Bass is the author of 25 books of fiction and nonfiction, including *Winter: Notes From Montana* and *Colter: The True Story Of The Best Dog I Ever Had*. His short stories have received O. Henry and Pushcart Prizes, and his work has been anthologized in *Best American Short Stories*, *Best American Travel Writing*, and *Best Spiritual Writing*. His memoir, *Why I Came West*, was a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award. He is a board member of the Yaak Valley Forest Council (www.yaakvalley.org).

10:00am — 10:15am

INTERMISSION BREAK - *Driscoll Center*
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10:15am — 11:45am

Ethics for Attorneys - *Driscoll Gallery*

Learn from experienced experts in the field about land use ethics for legal professionals.
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Speakers:

Tom Macdonald, Director, Otten Johnson Robinson Neff + Ragonetti
Bryan Treu, County Attorney, Eagle County, Colorado

Ethics for Planners - *Driscoll Ballroom*

Learn from experienced experts in the field about land use ethics for planning professionals.
1.5 AICP cm Credits

Speakers:

Michael Harper, FAICP
Katie Guthrie, AICP, APA Colorado Chapter Administrator

11:45am — 1:00pm

LUNCH: *Sturm College of Law Forum*
- *Tickets Required*

SPECIAL LUNCH PRESENTATION:
Partnership for Sustainable Communities. *Pick up lunch in the Forum at 11:45pm (Tickets Required for Lunch)*

Pick up your lunch on Thursday in the College of Law Forum and make your way to the Driscoll Ballroom for a special lunch time session featuring the Partnership for Sustainable Communities, a collaborative effort led by the U.S. Department of Transportation, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Partnership aims to align housing, transportation and environmental protection resources in ways that are more helpful, efficient and accessible to state and local governments. This session will focus on the Partnership's accomplishments, activities, priorities and upcoming funding and program opportunities.

Speakers:

Rick M. Garcia, Regional Administrator and Senior Advisor to Secretary Donovan on Sustainability, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Lynn A. Richards, Policy Director, Office of Sustainable Communities, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Terry Rosapep, Regional Administrator, Federal Transit Authority (invited)

1:00pm – 2:30pm

Now that We're Poor: The New Economics of Land Use - Driscoll Ballroom

The American economy will never be the same—our housing finance system will be more rigorous, and many mid-level jobs lost during this recession are never coming back. The average cost of single family home construction continues to rise faster than average incomes, and fewer of those with jobs and income will be able to find home financing on the same generous terms that have supported the housing economy in the past. This session will explore what government and industry can do to adjust to these new financial realities so that we can still provide decent, affordable housing for Americans.

Moderator:

Ed Ziegler, Professor of Law & Robert B. Yegge Chair in Law, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

Speakers:

David Crowe, Ph.D., Economist, National Association of Home Builders

Don Elliott, FAICP, Senior Consultant, Clarion Associates

Arthur C. Nelson, University Professor & Director of Metropolitan Research Center, University of Utah College of Architecture + Planning

Sustainable Community Development Code Framework: Report from the Field - Driscoll Gallery

Increasingly, cities and regions across the U.S. are targeting land use and development as a critical pathway to sustainability. Novel, comprehensive and user-friendly, the Framework embeds the best sustainability ideas in actual land use laws by way of an information and evaluation framework, aligning means with ends. This session will examine the Framework in action, including Salt Lake City's SLC Green program, the most ambitious sustainable land use initiative in the nation, and discuss similar strategies for greening the nation's cities and towns in the new "race to the top."

Moderator:

William Shutkin, Executive Director & Lecturer, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

Speakers:

Ralph Becker, Mayor, Salt Lake City, Utah

Jim Mazzocco, Planning Administrator, Planning and Development Services, City of Tucson, Arizona

2:30pm – 2:45pm

INTERMISSION BREAK - Driscoll Center
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2:45pm – 4:15pm

Water: Beyond Dams and Diversions - Driscoll Gallery

Water has deservedly been a perennial topic of discussion in forums on land use and sustainable development in the West. How can the West grow in an environment with an often uncertain, and potentially scarcer, water supply? How do we do a better job of integrating our land use planning with water management? What is the potential for water conservation and reuse to offset the need for new supply and diversions? And how do the benefits of this technology flow in an equitable fashion? This session presents a panel of leading experts who will address these questions.

Moderator:

Peter Pollock, FAICP, Ronald Smith Fellow, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

Speakers:

Sarah Bates, Senior Associate, Center for Natural Resources and Environmental Policy, University of Montana

Abigail Holmquist, PE, Recycled Water Program Manager, Denver Water

Jim Holway, Director, Western Lands and Communities Program, Sonoran Institute – Lincoln Institute of Land Policy Venture

Peter Mayer, Vice President, Aquacraft

Tom Romero, Associate Professor of Law, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

Sustainability as an Economic Driver in the "Next West"

- Driscoll Ballroom

What role does sustainability play in our economy as we move from the New West to the Next West? The session will examine the current economic, political and migration patterns of the West, discuss the role that sustainability can play as we move into the future and offer techniques to mobilize community resources that generate sustainable economic growth. Nationally recognized experts will talk about the latest sustainable economic development strategies and how those strategies can be applied to produce positive impacts on quality of life, land use and development.

Moderator:

Mary Kay Peck, Mary Kay Peck & Associates

Speakers:

Wayne Fawbush, Program Officer, Asset Building and Community Development Section, Ford Foundation

Joan Fitzgerald, Professor & Director, Law, Policy and Society Program, Northeastern University

Julia Parzen, Founder, JP Consulting; Partner, Urban Sustainability Associates

4:30pm – 5:45pm

SPECIAL EVENT - Sam & Freda Davis Auditorium - Sturm Hall



Speaker:

James Balog, Director and Founder, Extreme Ice Survey

For nearly 30 years, James Balog has redefined environmental photography, whether his subject has been

endangered animals, giant trees, or Arctic ice sheets. He is the author of seven books. His most recent project, the Extreme Ice Survey, is a monumental and stunning look at the impact of climate change on the world's glaciers. Balog is the recipient of a 2010 Heinz Award and the Missouri Honor Medal for Distinguished Journalism. He is director and founder of Extreme Ice Survey and Earth Vision Trust, based in Boulder, Colorado.

6:00pm – 7:30pm

RECEPTION - Sturm College of Law Forum



Presentation of inaugural Land Use Entrepreneur Awards and annual RMLUI/Sturm College of Law Student Awards.

RMLUI Annual Land Use Entrepreneur Award

The annual Land Use Entrepreneur Award recognizes entrepreneurs in both the private and public sectors devising new policies, programs or practices that reinforce the essential connection between entrepreneurship and land use innovation, and that seek to join the goals of ecological health, economic prosperity and social equity in a single policy or business model.

RMLUI/Sturm College of Law Annual Student Award

The annual RMLUI/Sturm College of Law Student Award recognizes two students whose academic achievement and community service while in law school demonstrate outstanding potential for impact in the sustainable development field.

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Speaker:

Nicola Villa, Global Director, Urban Innovation, Internet Business Solutions Group, Cisco Systems

Nicola Villa is a senior director in Cisco's Internet Business Solutions Group (IBSG) and the Global

Director of the Urban Innovation team, focusing on the global Smart+Connected Communities program. Previously, he managed Cisco's Connected Urban Development program aimed at developing innovative ICT & Broadband solutions in large metropolitan areas to stimulate CO2 emissions reductions.

Prior to that, Mr. Villa worked as the Head of Local Government and Broadband within IBSG, overseeing activities across Europe, Middle East, Africa and Latin America. He has a strong focus on innovation policy and is collaborating with central government agencies to support the creation of national innovation & ICT strategies, as well as national Broadband strategies.

Mr. Villa is an Italian national who has been living in the UK and the Netherlands for several years. He studied Business Economics at the Università Cattolica in Milan and at the Brighton University in the UK. He wrote his thesis on Industrial Economics, analyzing the effects of Technical standardization policies on the Internet and on the GSM telephony markets.

9:00am – 12noon – Half Day Workshop

Embracing Sustainability in Community Plans - Sturm Law 451

More and more communities are embracing elements of sustainability in their community plans by incorporating long-term thinking about future needs while approaching decision-making based on the "triple bottom line" of environmental, economic, and social considerations. However, there is little guidance and still a great deal of confusion for planners, public officials and citizens about how this ought to be accomplished and little consensus about what a sustainable community plan ought to contain. This workshop will provide an overview of the essential elements of a Sustainable Community Plan, and how communities can transition from a traditional plan structure to a sustainable framework. The panelists will also provide in-depth presentations on transportation, energy and climate change, community and social considerations, and applications for neighborhood and project-scale projects. The session will conclude with an interactive discussion on strategies for moving from policy to action in implementing sustainable community plans.

Moderator:

Benjamin Herman, FAICP, Vice President/Principal, Clarion Associates

Speakers:

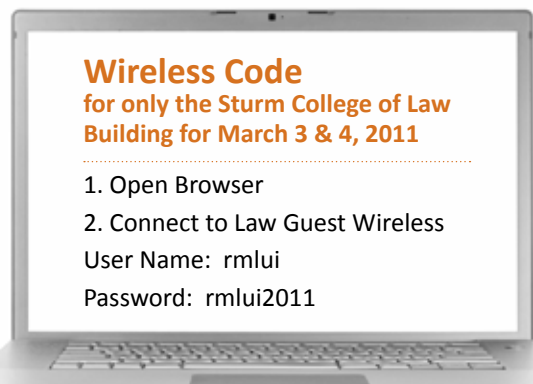
Joyce Allgaier, Sustainability Coordinator/Senior Planner, Clarion Associates

Piper Foster, Energy Efficiency Czar, Roaring Fork Valley Community Office of Resource Efficiency

Jeremy Klop, AICP, Principal, Fehr & Peers

Josh Radoff, Principal, YRG Sustainability

Dave Wortman, LEED-AP, Program Manager, Brendle Group



9:00am — 10:15am

Form-Based Standards Are Just One Piece of the Puzzle: Developing Effective Hybrid Codes - *Sturm Law 125*

Communities increasingly are adopting form-based regulations to shape public spaces and maintain local character—even in predominantly rural areas like Lake Tahoe. Rather than adopting freestanding smart codes, these jurisdictions are tailoring approaches that integrate cutting-edge form-based standards with more established nuts-and-bolts zoning tools. Three case studies will illustrate a range of approaches, the drafting process, potential pitfalls, and the politics of adoption.

Moderator:

Matt Goebel, Vice President, Clarion Associates

Speakers:

John Miki, Associate, Optics Design

Craig Richardson, Vice President, Clarion Associates

Conditioning Development Approval on the Proposed Development's Provision of its Own Energy and Water Needs - *Sturm Law 155*

As water resource scarcity and need for the use of renewable energy intensifies throughout North America—and in the Rocky Mountain region in particular—development approval from both a planning and law perspective is being conditioned on provision of water and energy by the developments being proposed. This session will review these practices from both a U.S. and Canadian perspective.

Moderator:

Ray Young, Partner, Young Anderson Barristers & Solicitors

Speakers:

Alyssa Bradley, Associate, Young Anderson Barristers & Solicitors

Julian Juergensmeyer, Professor of Law, Georgia State University College of Law

Alternative Energy Development as a Catalyst for Land Use Regulation in Rural Communities - *Sturm Law 180*

As rural communities are enticed by the location of wind farms and large solar arrays in their jurisdictions, the economic promise of these projects often obscures some of their negative impacts, such as noise, effect on farm and ranch operations, and other adverse impacts. This session will explore the permitting and regulatory programs that rural communities should develop to protect existing land uses and economic activities, while encouraging location of wind farms and solar arrays—often a delicate balance!

Moderator:

Anita Miller, Attorney at Law

Speakers:

James Borgel, Partner, Holland & Hart

Robert Freilich, Partner, Freilich & Popowitz

Patti Steinholtz, Senior Environmental Planner & Communication Specialist, David Evans and Associates

Affordable Housing and Transit Oriented Development - *Sturm Law 165*

This session will focus on the efforts at the federal level between the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Department of Transportation and other federal agencies to promote affordable housing near TOD sites. The panelists will also discuss related local efforts, including the Enterprise Fund's initiative to land bank property near TOD sites. A local affordable housing developer will round out the session with real life discussion of the issues involved in building affordable housing.

Moderator:

Sarah Rockwell, Partner, Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell

Speakers:

Rick Garcia, Regional Administrator, Department of Housing & Urban Development

Chuck Perry, Managing Partner, Jonathan Rose Companies

Kent Watkins, CEO, TOD Associates

Building the Leadership Infrastructure for Sustainable Communities - Sturm Law 255

The Land Use Law Center of Pace University School of Law promotes collaborative governance systems for land use decisions. The Center helps cities redevelop and revitalize around transit stations and to adopt low impact development standards and preserve open space to promote carbon sequestration. Panelists will share their knowledge of techniques and tools, explore additional strategies and practices, and solicit suggestions about how we can better use collaborative approaches to improve our efforts to mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change and sprawl.

Speakers:

Jessica Bacher, Director of Research & Innovation and Senior Managing Attorney, Pace University Land Use Law Center

Craig M. Call, Executive Director, Utah Land Use Institute

John Nolon, James D. Hopkins Professor of Law and Director, Kheel Center on the Resolution of Environmental Resolution Disputes, Pace University School of Law; Founder, Pace University Land Use Law Center

Tiffany Zezula, Managing Attorney, Land Use Law Center Pace Law School

10:15am — 10:30am

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10:30am — 11:45pm

Living Outside the City: Designing for Rural Communities - Sturm Law 170

There are planning and development issues that are unique to small towns, rural areas, and much of the West. Unlike urban (or suburban) development, land use regulations for these communities need to be tuned to the appropriate size and scale of smaller developments, longer travel distances, demand for more intense uses such as resource exploration, agriculture, or tourism - and sometimes a different world-view of the meaning of good development. This session will explore regulatory tools for small and rural communities that reach beyond form-based buildings and shared parking to the use of customized conservation subdivision regulations, creation of exclusively agricultural zone districts, and methods to incorporate new buildings and development into a historically and culturally rural development pattern.

Moderator/Speaker:

Elizabeth Garvin, Senior Associate, Clarion Associates

Speakers:

Mark Reid, County Planner, Sheridan County Public Works Department, Wyoming

Monty Wedel, Director Planning and Development, Riley County, Kansas

Putting Sprawl on a Diet - Sturm Law 165

This session will examine the issue of suburban sprawl and consider how suburbs can be part of the solution. Large tracts of land are desirable for developments that bring jobs to a region. Panelists will explore options for sustainable suburban growth, with case studies that help identify resources to achieve this.

Moderator:

Karen Hancock, Environmental Program Supervisor, City of Aurora, Colorado

Speakers:

Abby Janusz, Senior Planner Boulder County Land Use, Colorado

Huilian Liu, Principal Transportation Planner, City of Aurora, Colorado

Tricia Nilsson, Manager, Comprehensive Planning, City of Boise, Idaho

Reshaping Development Patterns: Addressing Development Entitlements & Zombie Subdivisions throughout the Intermountain West - *Sturm Law 155*

Rapid growth and development activity—as well as the economic downturn—impact quality of life, fiscal health of communities, regional economies, and ecosystem health throughout the West. This session will discuss recent West-wide surveys and case studies on land subdivisions and entitlements, the impact of excessive entitlements, and best practices to address both current and potential future entitlement issues.

Moderator:

Jim Holway, Director, Western Lands and Communities Program, Sonoran Institute – Lincoln Institute of Land Policy Venture

Speakers:

Don Elliott, FAICP, Senior Consultant, Clarion Associates

Anna Trentadue, Staff Attorney & Program Associate, Valley Advocates for Responsible Development

Cultural Landscapes: Scenic and Then Some - *Sturm Law 180*

Through the use of case studies drawn from their distinctive experience, the panelists will explore and articulate how cultural significance infuses meaning into specific sites whose preservation resonates with particular communities, whether large or small, old or young, town or country. The session will discuss standards of cultural significance and attributes that create cultural meaning for diverse environmental, agricultural and social groups.

Moderator:

Jim Lindberg, Director of Preservation Initiatives, National Trust for Historic Preservation

Speakers:

Ogden Driskill, Bear Lodge Cattle Company
Ekaterini "Kat" Vlahos, Director, Center of Preservation Research, University of Colorado, Denver

Streamline Your Development Review Process NOW - *Sturm Law 125*

The West has historically been a region of boom and bust cycles. Now is the time to prepare for our next boom by streamlining your development review process. Learn best practices from co-creators of the Henderson, Nevada Development Services Center, which is ranked as one of the top three development services centers in the United States.

Moderator:

Joanne Garnett, Partner, Orion Planning Group, Principal, Jovi Plans

Speakers:

Mary Kay Peck, Principal, Mary Kay Peck & Associates

Craig Richardson, Vice President, Clarion Associations

Public Rail Transit in the Rocky Mountain West: The Potential of Regional Transit Planning for Smart Growth in the 21st Century - *Sturm Law 255*

This session examines potential plans for fixed-rail public transit now being formulated and considered for inter-regional transit and for metropolitan regions in the Rocky Mountain West. The panelists will discuss plans and funding for public transit and examine problematic issues related to securing the benefits of fixed-rail transit oriented development as an important component of smart growth in the Rocky Mountain region.

Moderator:

Arthur C. Nelson, University Professor & Director of Metropolitan Research Center, University of Utah College of Architecture + Planning

Speakers:

John English, CEO, Utah Transit Authority

Bill Van Meter, Assistant General Manager, Denver Regional Transportation District

Ed Ziegler, Professor of Law & Robert B. Yegge Chair in Law, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

12noon — 12:45pm

LUNCH: *Sturm College Of Law Forum*
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1:00pm — 2:30pm

(This session lasts 15 mins longer than the other sessions in this time block.)

Government's Role in Promoting Development through Retail Incentives - *Sturm Law 451*

This session explores the municipal role in promoting retail developments, including legal and financial parameters, successful case studies, and policy issues and concerns. We will explore the historical "gift clauses" that restrict the government's role in financing private business enterprises, particularly in recent litigation over a large retail-based mixed-use development in Phoenix. We will then review the more expansive use of incentives in Colorado and New Mexico including the use of public improvement fees (PIFs) and enhanced sales tax incentives programs (ESTIPs). The segment will discuss the impact of legal challenges and policy expansions and explore when retail incentives make sense.

Moderator:

Daniel R. Guimond, Principal, Economic & Planning Systems

Speakers:

Cameron C. Artigue, Partner, Gammage & Burnham

Grady Gammage Jr., Partner, Gammage & Burnham

Carolynne White, Shareholder, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP

1:00pm — 2:15pm

Needs, Challenges, and Economics of "Local" Food Systems: A Front-Range Case Study - *Sturm Law 255*

This session will explore a case study from Douglas County, Colorado that addresses the status of local food production in Colorado's Front Range, where it needs to go, and how to get there realistically. Through a diverse team of organizations and a citizen's committee, Douglas County is developing a strategy to revamp and advance agriculture. The session discusses innovative tools such as Agriburbia™ and Community Food Fraction.

Moderator:

Andy Hough, Environmental Resource Coordinator, Douglas County Community Planning and Sustainable Development

Speaker:

Paul Newton, TSR Group

Sustainable Development: Lessons from the Bleeding Edge - *Sturm Law 155*

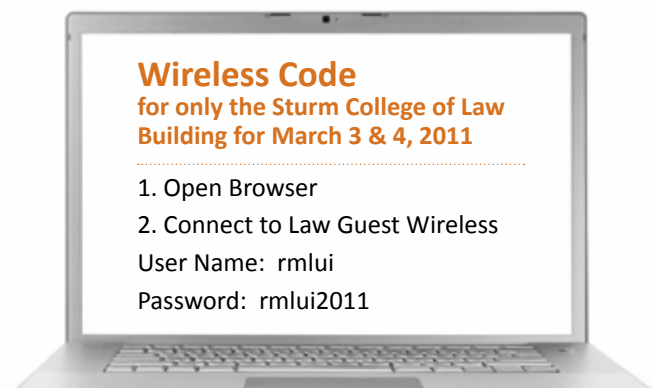
This session details innovative sustainable development techniques and case studies focusing on Northern California and Vancouver, British Columbia Opportunities and challenges regarding Sonoma County's highly successful energy and renewable retrofit program, and the pioneering Marin Energy Authority will be presented. Vancouver's Eco-Districts Initiative, which integrates environmental performance with neighborhood and district-scale development and promotes public private partnerships, will also be highlighted.

Moderator/Speaker:

Alex Hinds, Interim Director, Center for Sustainable Communities, Sonoma State University

Speaker:

Darin Dinsmore, President & CEO, Crowdbrite



New LULUs from La La Land: Public Controls on Medical Marijuana Dispensaries - Sturm Law 190

In this session, participants will learn about the states that have authorized medical marijuana, the statutes and the strategies that enable production and sales. The ordinances that have been enacted by local communities for the growth and sale of medical marijuana will be discussed, with an analysis of how cities plan for such production and sale. The focus will be on developing legally defensible strategies based on careful planning and definitive regulation consistent with express and implied enabling authority and constitutional protections.

Moderator/Speaker:

Ed Ziegler, Professor of Law & Robert B. Yegge Chair in Law, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

Speakers:

Dwight Merriam, FAICP, Partner, Robinson & Cole

Thomas P. Ragonetti, Chairman, Otten Johnson Robinson, Neff & Ragonetti

Hot, Hilly, and Crowded: How Development in the Rocky Mountains Increases the Impact of Wildfire Risk - Sturm Law 170

Development patterns and fire suppression policy in past decades have resulted in wildfire risk that is a growing safety and economic concern to the Rocky Mountain region. This session focuses attention on wildfire hazards and explains why the threat will continue. Special focus will be given to explaining the wildland-urban interface as a set of conditions created by development patterns. We will also discuss a toolbox of solutions, and provide a wildfire mitigation example from a leading Western county.

Moderator:

Molly Mowery, Firewise Associate Project Manager, National Fire Protection Association

Speakers:

Jill Alexander, Senior Wildfire Mitigation Specialists, Douglas County Government, Colorado

Josh Keown, Wildlife Mitigation Specialist, Douglas County Government, Colorado

Ray Rasker, Executive Director, Headwaters Economics

Recent Land Use Developments in the Rocky Mountain West - Sturm Law 125

Always engaging, the region's top experts in land use law provide details and analysis of recent court decisions and legislative activities.

Moderator:

Doug Jordan, Partner, Jordan Bischoff & Hiser

Speakers:

Neil Lindberg, Council Attorney, Salt Lake City Utah Council

Anita Miller, Attorney at Law

Jeff Parker, Attorney, Hayes, Phillips, Hoffman & Carberry

2:15pm — 2:30pm

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Auditing Your Way to “Faster, Clearer, Better” Zoning - Sturm Law 190

The first step to better zoning is to find out exactly what you're doing wrong and what other communities are doing better. Cities and counties across the U.S. have decided that a slow economic climate is a good time to do just that. This session will explore how communities as diverse as Philadelphia, Calgary, Denver, Lakewood, CO and Lake Oswego, OR have recently designed and completed zoning audits to find out what they can do to make their codes “faster, clearer, and better.”

Moderator:

Don Elliott, FAICP, Senior Consultant, Clarion Associates

Speakers:

Tina Axelrad, Principal City Planner, City & County of Denver, Colorado

Paul Rice, Principal Planner, City of Lakewood, Colorado

Public/Private Partnerships: Success or Failure? Three Things That Will Let You Know Which Way You Are Headed - *Sturm Law 165*

Years of public meetings, a contentious election, and an arduous process to select a developer laid the foundation for a successful, affordable housing public/private partnership in the resort community of Frisco, Colorado. With a combined 45 years of public and private sector experience, the panelists distill the three essential ingredients to a successful partnership and a successful project.

Moderator:

Jocelyn Mills, Project Resource Manager, Town of Frisco, Colorado

Speakers:

David O'Neil, Managing Partner, Brynn Grey Partners, Ltd.

Michael Penny, Town Manager, Town of Frisco, Colorado

The Transportation Costs of New Development - *Sturm Law 155*

This session describes how to plan for new development in terms of necessary local transportation expenditures. This involves both the operating and capital costs of actual and projected growth. It also calls for a consideration of the revenues that can be expected on both the operating and capital sides relative to future growth. This presentation is the result of groundbreaking efforts related to modeling the costs of future development.

Moderator:

Robert W. Burchell, Distinguished Professor, Director Center for Urban Policy Research, Chair Urban Planning Program

Speakers:

Reid Ewing, Professor of City and Metropolitan Planning, University of Utah College of Architecture + Planning

Arthur C. Nelson, University Professor & Director of Metropolitan Research Center, University of Utah College of Architecture + Planning

Let's-Make-A-Deal Zoning: The Comfort Food of Contract and Conditional Zoning - *Sturm Law 125*

The session's three short order cooks serve up everything you should know about contract zoning—what it is in its legal and illegal forms, what's gourmet and what's sometimes distasteful about it, how you can put it on your menu, and—as only lawyers turned grill cooks in a greasy spoon diner could do—Heimlich maneuvers you can use to save yourself from certain choking death when sued.

Moderator:

Dwight H. Merriam, FAICP, Partner, Robinson & Cole

Speakers:

Orlando E. Delogu, Emeritus Professor of Law, University of Main School of Law

Ed Ziegler, Professor of Law & Robert B. Yegge Chair in Law, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

Sustainable Communities: A Regional Approach for the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem - *Sturm Law 170*

The Yellowstone Business Partnership is working with communities and local governments in the Yellowstone-Teton region to advance sustainable communities through two initiatives, presented in this session. The Greater Yellowstone Framework for Sustainable Development is an innovative "ecosystem-based" green rating system modeled after the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED program. Panelists will describe this new method as well as Linx, a regional transportation cooperative that connects existing providers through one integrated system, closing transportation gaps across the region.

Moderator:

Heather Higinbotham, Sustainability Programs Manager, Yellowstone Business Partnership

Speakers:

Brit Fontenot, Economic Development Liaison, City of Bozeman, Montana

Hannah Sanger, Environmental Educator, City of Pocatello, Idaho

Santa Fe County: Sustainable, Renewable and Green - *Sturm Law 255*

In the fall of 2010, Santa Fe County adopted a new Sustainable Land Development Plan and Sustainable Land Development Code, one of the most advanced codes in the Rocky Mountain Region. This session will cover the new code and plan, which entail some very exciting innovations in green development, renewable energy, smart growth and New Urbanism, and zoning administration.

Speaker:

Robert Freilich, Partner, Freilich & Popowitz

3:45pm — 4:00pm

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4:00pm — 5:15pm

Federal Agency Planning and Initiatives for Sustainability in the Rocky Mountain West - *Sturm Law 255*

Federal agencies control a great deal of the undeveloped lands in the Rocky Mountain West. These agencies have different missions and employ pervasive land use and planning policies that affect Western landscapes and cities. Representatives of some of these agencies will provide examples of real world cases studies involving multiple stakeholders.

Moderator:

Daniel Pava, NEPA Specialist, Environmental Stewardship Group, Los Alamos National Laboratory

Speakers:

Susan Damour, Regional Administrator, Rocky Mountain Region, U.S. General Services Administration
Pat Kenney, Planning Branch Chief, National Park Service Denver Service Center

Building Strategic and Successful Coalitions: Key to Local Success

- *Sturm Law 165*

Passing a new zoning ordinance, supporting a local transit measure campaign, and defeating TABOR measures all have one major component in common—they need a broad and diverse coalition behind them to succeed. These days, coalitions are built by savvy public sector leaders, elected officials, or advocates. They are essential ingredients for the local success. The session's expert panelists will offer insights and examples from successful campaigns and coalitions of all sizes from around the region and nation.

Moderator:

Jason Jordan, Partner, Advocacy Associates

Speakers:

Natalie Gochour, Executive Vice President & Chief Economist, Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce

Roger Millar, Director, Smart Growth America, Leadership Institute

Past, Present and Future of Land Conservation in the West: How Land Conservation is Changing the Landscape in the West - *Sturm Law 155*

The number of land conservation initiatives, both private and public, has increased dramatically over the last twenty years. The current infrastructure for land conservation in the West is significant both in the number of non-profit organizations doing the work and the resources available. This session will discuss the future of land conservation in the West for the next twenty years.

Moderator:

Lawrence R. Kueter, Attorney, Isaacson Rosenbaum P.C.

Speakers:

Wendy Ninteman, Western Director, Land Trust Alliance

Pete Stein, Managing Director, The Lyme Timber Company

Marty Zeller, President, Conservation Partners

Sustainable Transect-Based Planning - *Sturm Law 190*

The region, the community, and the neighborhood—transect-based planning offers a framework for the sustainable development at each of these scales. This session will consider transect-based planning from a design perspective and a legal perspective, highlighting market opportunities and practical challenges of sustainable planning and development.

Moderator:

Paul Crabtree, PE, CNU-A, President, Crabtree Group, Civil Engineers and Town Planners

Speakers:

Tom Low, Partner, Director of Town Planning, DPZCharlotte

Adam Lovelady, Attorney at Law, McGuireWoods, LLP

What Ever Happened to the Property Rights Revolution? The Limits of Land Use Controls - *Sturm Law 125*

This session examines legal claims and regulatory developments related to the “Property Rights Revolution” in urban planning law during the thirty years since the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision in the landmark Penn Central case. Three of the country’s leading experts on urban planning law discuss the state of the law today and share their thoughts about the judicial and statutory limits of zoning and planning controls, compensation rights, and about practical legal risk management techniques and regulatory tools.

Moderator:

Don Elliot, FAICP, Senior Consultant, Clarion Associates

Speakers:

Julian Juergensmeyer, Professor and Ben F. Johnson Chair in Law, Georgia State University Law School

Ed Ziegler, Professor of Law & Robert B. Yegge Chair in Law, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

Managing Growth and Cushioning Falls - *Sturm Law 170*

Confucius advised: “When prosperity comes, do not use all of it.” This session will examine the fallout, responses, and lessons learned from the recent real estate crash. Panelists will then propose policy and legal reforms to mitigate the risks and consequences that boom-bust cycles pose for local governments.

Moderator:

Andrew Firestine, Senior Planner, City of Centennial/Consultant, South Platte Economics and Planning

Speakers:

Rick Brady, City Attorney, City of Greeley, Colorado

Todd Messenger, AICP, Code Practice Leader, Kendig Keast Collaborative

5:15pm

Conclusion of Conference

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