*Sept/Oct*

Press/PR & Cross Organizational Work

**Recent Press Org/Project Acknowledgement:**

**Thank you to all the board members who sat with the URA at our Downtown Partnership and State of the City URA tables!**

<https://www.fox21news.com/news/park-union-neighborhood-wins-urban-land-institutes-2021-impact-inspire-award/>

<https://www.csbj.com/news/i-25-and-powers-boulevard-interchange-to-open-this-month/article_82c8c1ee-2843-11ec-b502-af7322b9b3ea.html>

<https://www.southeastexpress.org/news/mayor-highlights-southeast-at-state-of-the-city/article_b1c342ba-3038-11ec-9e6c-0fdbe80b0584.html>

https://patch.com/colorado/colorado-springs/city-colorado-springs-park-union-wins-urban-land-institutes-2021-impact

<https://www.koaa.com/news/state-of-growth/neighborhood-shopping-center-off-south-nevada-opening-soon-sprouts-farmers-market-also-to-come>

<https://gazette.com/premium/sprouts-grocery-coming-to-colorado-springs-south-side-on-remade-corridor/article_22488ef4-0b87-11ec-8014-6f227488a6b8.html>

<https://krdo.com/news/top-stories/2021/09/16/update-creekwalk-project-taking-shape-in-southwest-colorado-springs/>

<https://www.southeastexpress.org/news/avila-talks-letac-redistricting-at-town-hall/article_86941bd4-0769-11ec-acce-1bc8b13456f2.html>

<https://www.southeastexpress.org/opinion/opinion-we-celebrate-our-achievements-at-a-challenging-time/article_88a4483e-077a-11ec-85a0-0f8cf87903b2.html>

<https://www.southeastexpress.org/news/35m-affordable-housing-project-approved-for-southeast/article_a7f12cf4-f53a-11eb-9bdd-63383216ef8f.html>

<https://krdo.com/news/top-stories/2021/07/29/137-unit-affordable-housing-project-approved-for-southeast-colorado-springs/>

<https://www.southeastexpress.org/news/park-law-could-derail-affordable-housing/article_3e37b846-f6f7-11eb-bd66-5f5ed1232f5c.html>

<https://www.csindy.com/news/local/city-for-champions-rakes-in-23-6-million/article_6f82c288-f080-11eb-a50e-a3729f370163.html>

<https://gazette.com/news/local/free-downtown-colorado-springs-shuttle-planned-for-next-spring/article_2315d2b0-f0c0-11eb-b30b-bbb379df2576.html>

<https://gazette.com/premium/from-in-n-out-to-downtown-hotels-colorado-springs-commercial-construction-not-slowing-down/article_311cf1a2-ce30-11eb-b28c-ef401978ecb4.html>

**CSURA sponsored DCI Thursday Statewide Call Events:**

9/23 Taxes + Economic Health

10/29 Southern Colorado (SOCO) Tax Increment Finance Summit 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM (Pueblo)

-Monthly State URA committee calls (I lead)

**Monthly Board/committee work with CSURA representation/seat at the table:**

-Downtown Colorado Inc. – Vice Chair

-Colorado Springs Downtown Partnership – Advisory Member

-Greccio Housing – Board Member

-Urban Land Institute Southern Colorado Committee – Co Chair

-Urban Land Institute Colorado State Executive Committee – Member

-Colorado Municipal League URA committee – Member

**City and CSU Committee Work/Meetings (with URA focus)**

I take part in both planning and economic development staff meetings (monthly) to discuss URA driven projects.

I take part in monthly Chief of Staff Meetings (monthly) to update city directors on URA news and projects.

I sit as a member of the city’s special district committee (quarterly), Colorado Springs Utilities Economic Development Sub-Committee (quarterly) and the City Strategic Plan Committee (quarterly).

Brownfields Development Committee

S/E Vitality Committee Chaired by Yemi Mobolade and Jeff Greene. At our past meeting, two of our projects (Draper and Lofts @ 1609) were mentioned in the presentation.

**Possible Future Committee/PR Work**

Affordable Housing Group

Harrison High School Planning/Education Program