

MINUTES
Region 16 Opioid Abatement Council Meeting

29 April 2026

2:00 – 5:00 PM

17 N. Spruce Street. Colorado Springs, CO 80905

Representing Entity	First Name	Last Name	Title	Present(Y/N)
Voting Members				
Colorado Springs City Council (1)	Lynette	Crow-Iverson	Colorado Springs (COS) City Council	Y
Teller County Commissioner	Eric	Stone	Teller County Commissioner	Y
Teller County Sheriff	LT. Jake	Markus	Proxy for Teller County Sheriff	Y
El Paso County Commissioner (1)	Sunny	Bryant	Proxy for El Paso County (EPC) Commissioner	Y
El Paso County Commissioner (2)	Carrie	Geitner	EPC Commissioner	Y
Fourth Judicial District Attorney	Michael	Allen	Fourth Judicial District Attorney	N
COS Mayoral Public Safety (1)	Mark	Chacon	COS Police Department	Y
COS Mayoral Public Safety (2)	Jayne	McConnellogue	Proxy for COS Fire Chief	Y
Colorado Springs City Council (2)	David	Leinweber	COS City Council	Y
Woodland Park, Cripple Creek, Victor shared	Chris	Deisler	Proxy for Cripple Creek City Manager	Y
El Paso County Sheriff	Deb	Harris	Proxy for EPC Sheriff	Y
El Paso County Coroner	Dr. Emily	Russell-Kinsley	EPC Coroner	N
Manitou, Fountain, Monument Rotating (1)	Mark	Cristiani	Fountain Police Chief	Y
Manitou, Fountain, Monument Rotating (2)	Denise	Howell	Manitou Springs City Manager	Y

Representing Entity	First Name	Last Name	Title	Present(Y/N)
Non-Voting Members: Municipalities who will cycle onto the voting membership in future years				
Woodland Park				
Victor				
Monument	Tim	Johnson	Proxy for Patrick Regan Monument Police Chief	N
Current Non-Voting Members				
El Paso County Public Health Director	Michelle	Beyrle	Deputy Public Health Director	N
Teller County Public Health Director	Michelle	Wolff	Director of Public Health Teller County	Y
Teller County Director of Human Services				
Non-Voting Members Appointed by Council as SMEs				
At large non-voting member	Dr. Eric	Stein Bronsky	Physician, Medical Director CSFD AMR EPC/Teller 911 Authority	Y
At large non-voting member	David	Albrecht	Cardiologist, lived experience	
At large non-voting member	Jason	Jorgenson	COS School District 11	
At large non-voting member	Matt	Riviere	Advocate, lived experience	
At large non-voting member	Laura	Ridenour	EPC Behavioral Health Manager	
Staff Support, Members of the Public, and Subject Matter Expertise				
Fiscal Agent	Amanda	Grant	EPC Deputy CFO	Y
Legal Representative	Kenny	Hodges	EPC County Attorney	Y

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:06

1. Consent Calendar
 - a. March 25, 2026, Minutes approval
 - b. A motion was made and seconded to approve the March 25, 2026, meeting minutes
 - Motion passed unanimously
2. Staff Reports
 - a. Financial report:
 - Amanda Grant presented the Financial report. No major changes, only monthly interest allocation.
 - b. Administrative updates:
 - Amanda Grant informed the council that Website streamlining and file organization are ongoing.
 - c. Amanda Grant presented that staff are waiting state response for additional funding; minor changes have been sent for the annual report definitions.
2. Strategic Planning
 - a. Amanda Grant presented the formation of a data subcommittee, Council discussed; agreement for staff-led group with council liaison (Vice Chair volunteered, Commissioner Geitner as alternate). No formal vote required, consensus reached.
 - b. Long-Term Funding Strategy
 - c. Three spending models presented: front-loaded, consistent, and extended.
 - Extended spending model favored for fiscal conservatism and flexibility; consensus to proceed with this approach, no formal vote but clear direction given.
 - d. Strategic Plan Finalization
 - e. Draft strategic plan reviewed; pillars and KPIs confirmed as appropriate.
 - Agreement to post draft online for public comment before adoption at next meeting; deadline to be set for feedback.
 - f. Grant Application Process
 - Current application cycle open until May 8; all applications (new and holdover) will be reviewed at the May meeting.
 - Applications will be pre-qualified against new strategic priorities, but all will be accessible to council for transparency.
3. Public Comment
 - a. Tyler Loman spoke about an automated Narcan dispenser project and upcoming grant application.
 - b. Allison Dodge and Whitney Yeager from One Chance to Grow Up provided updates on their public awareness campaign and outreach activities.
 - c. Beth Rolstad from Homeward Pikes Peak asked for clarification on the application process and funding cycle.
4. Adjourn
 - a. The meeting was adjourned at 3:48 P.M