

MINUTES
Region 16 Opioid Abatement Council Meeting

26 August 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	Erik	Stone	Teller County Commissioner	Y
Teller County Sheriff	LT. Jake	Markus	Proxy for Teller County Sheriff	Y
El Paso County Commissioner (1)	Lauren	Nelson	El Paso County Commissioner	Y
El Paso County Commissioner (2)	Carrie	Geitner	El Paso County 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)	Jayme	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	Eric	Carnell	Proxy for Joseph Roybal, El Paso County Sheriff	Y
El Paso County Coroner	Dr. Emily	Russell-Kinsley	EPC Coroner	Y
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	Y
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	N
At large non-voting member	Jason	Jorgenson	COS School District 11	N
At large non-voting member	Matt	Riviere	Advocate, lived experience	Y
At large non-voting member	Laura	Ridenour	EPC Behavioral Health Manager	N
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 2:03 PM

1. May 2026, Minutes approval
 - a. A motion was made and seconded to approve the May 27, 2026, meeting minutes
 - Motion passed unanimously
2. June 2026, Minutes approval
 - a. A motion was made and seconded to approve the June 24, 2026, meeting minutes
 - Motion passed unanimously
3. Staff Reports
 - a. Financial report:
 - Amanda Grant presented the financial report. No major changes, only monthly interest allocation.
 - b. Administrative updates
 - Amanda Grant reported that all applications are due September 1 to be presented, decided and awarded at the October Region 16 Opioid Abatement Council
4. COAC Updates
 - a. Amanda Grant provided an update on regional planning and reporting. A draft monitoring framework, expected to be phased in beginning in 2027, will consider spending, fund drawdown and rollover, reporting quality, and prior compliance concerns.
 - b. Regions were asked to update their 2025–2026 plans to reflect projected spending and unspent funds and to submit their 2027–2028 plans by December 31, 2026.
 - c. Amanda Grant reported that \$5,325,288 was available for additional funding requests, with request dates of September 15, November 13, and March 15. Calendar year 2026 expenditure reporting and plan compliance certification will take place in early 2027.
 - d. Amanda Grant discussed the September 30 annual conference in Copper Mountain.
5. Non-Voting Subcommittee Member
 - a. A motion was made and seconded to remove all council-appointed non-voting members except Matt Riviere
 - Motion passed unanimously
6. VIVO 2.0 Schools
 - a. This item was stricken from the agenda
7. Subrecipient Reporting
 - a. Colorado Springs Police Department (CSPD)
 - b. Status Code 4, Inc (SC4I)
 - c. El Paso County Sheriff's Office
 - d. The Full Circle Program
 - e. Casa of the Pikes Peak Region
 - f. Ute Pass Regional Health
 - g. NME
 - This item was stricken from the agenda
 - h. Open Hearts and Open Doors
8. One chance to grow up update
 - a. Council agreed to draft and consider a Proclamation regarding Emerging Drug Threats to be presented at the September 23, 2026 meeting

9. Public Comment
 - a. Matt Riviere (Affected Parent and Non-Voting Member)
10. Adjourn
 - a. The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 P.M.