

the east of Jackson Creek Parkway ending north of Bowstring Road and will include 204 residential homes. Classic Homes, the land developer, is planning 142 single-family detached homes and 62 attached single-family homes. When the sketch plan was approved by the BOT at its June 15, 2020 meet-

ing, the development was known as the Village. See www.ocn.me/v22n3.htm#mbot0207.

According to the board packet, Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig (FHU) is the town's consultant for the Jackson Creek Parkway corridor design project. Classic Homes, Colorado Department of Transportation, and El Paso County are working in conjunction with FHU on the design and construction of the Highway 105 and Jackson Creek Parkway intersection improvements. During the March 9 Planning Commission meeting, there were no public comments, but the commissioners had several. There will be two egress points for the development along Jackson Creek Parkway. See the Planning Commission article on page 3.

Residents Nancy Swearingen and Kenneth Kimple asked about the expansion. Swearingen suggested there should be bike and pedestrian lanes along the road expansion. Kimple pointed out that a 2021 traffic study was done in June after school had let out for the summer. Andrea Barlow, the applicant's representative, said two other traffic studies were done later in the same year to account for school traffic along the road.

Monument Planner Debbie Flynn said Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District will provide water to the subdivision. The Lewis-Palmer School

District requested fees be paid in lieu of land being provided.

Trustee Ron Stephens motioned to approve the request. It passed 3-1. Trustee Darcy Schoening voted against with no reason given.

Police service aide program

Commander John Lupton told the board about a new administrative service program developed by the Police Department. The two new entry-level civilian service aide positions will have the opportunity to become sworn officers in the future. According to Lupton's presentation, duties might include receipt and processing of non-emergency calls, responding to code enforcement issues, and reporting to service calls that don't require a sworn officer, such as waiting for a tow truck at a traffic accident. Crystal Butierres and Tommy Dremer make up the police service aide team so far. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

The Monument Board of Trustees usually meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of each month at Monument Town Hall, 645 Beacon Lite Road. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 4. Call 719-884-8014 or see www.townofmonument.org for information. To see upcoming agendas and complete board packets for BOT or to download audio recordings of past meetings, see <http://monumenttownco.minute-sondemand.com> and click on Board of Trustees.

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Bass went on to say that to address the needs identified and to bring departments up to a base standard would require doubling the town's current budget. Providing optimal service and addressing infrastructure improvements would require an additional \$3.5 million in the next year's budget, he said. Bass predicted a five-year shortfall of \$8 million and a 10-year shortfall of \$15 million. He stressed those estimates were to provide optimal service.

Bass ended by saying the board was considering solutions and that participation by the community in developing solutions was very important.

The entire text of the mayor's message can be found on the town's website, here: <https://www.townofpalmerlake.com/bc-bot/page/mayor%E2%80%99s-message>

Chiefs detail dangerous staffing shortfall

Vanderpool followed the mayor's message with comments on a recent service call that taxed the limits of both the police and fire departments. The call "could have gone wrong quickly," he said, going on to describe a call the Police Department received concerning a stabbing. Only a single officer was on duty, Vanderpool said, and when the officer arrived at the scene, he saw the door had been kicked in and a struggle was underway. The officer had to decide whether to go in alone or try to find backup from a nearby police department; he decided to take immediate action.

Vanderpool said he wanted two officers on each shift so that in future officers would not have to face the same choice. He said the Palmer Lake

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My Anti- Obituary

by Charles Joseph Robinove

This is obviously being written by me while I am alive but I have arranged for it to be published soon after my death. I don't think very many people care about the ordinary details of my life so I will omit those. I am dead so they no longer matter. What matters are those who are left. They are alive so they are infinitely more important than a dead me.

First, and infinitely most important, is Elizabeth Anne Schauer Robinove, my wife of almost 50 years as of this writing. She had the good sense (and my luck) to marry me and the endurance to stay with me for the long haul. She is beautiful, loving, smart, capable of doing anything we need, and wonderful at taking care of me in my last years and illnesses. She is irreplaceable.



I have no immediate family, except her, but her family, starting with sisters Paula and Ruthmary, have been a boon to me for almost as long as my marriage. Elizabeth's extended family, mostly in Texas, have been good to know. Our four USAFA cadets, Richard Hansen, Bill Kuykendall, Jeff Smith, and Dylan Baumgartner, whom we sponsored during their years at the Academy, have stuck with us through their Air Force careers and beyond.

Our many friends in the area where we have lived for over 35 years, are too numerous to list them all. I am grateful to all of them for their friendship, generosity, sympathy, and ability to suffer me for as long as they have. But especially, Geoff and Libby Paddle now of Australia and Sherri and Steve Faranda of Colorado Springs who have supported us for such a long time. Of special importance are the people of Elizabeth's Covenant Presbyterian Church who have helped and supported her and therefore me, for 35 years. Many more; friends whom I met at Serranos Coffee Shop, my colleagues in the anti-quarian book trade, those who helped and supported me in my scientific career, and so many more. You know who you are and I thank all of you. That is enough; I am gone, you are here and I wish the best good fortune and good health to all of you.

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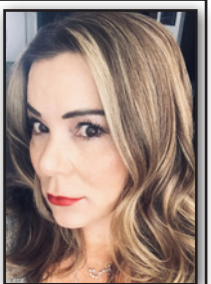
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