

Pulliam project shifts into second gear

City, private partners continue resurrection of the historic building

If you're going to make an omelet, you have to break some eggs.

Had the old adage been taken literally, the interior of the Pulliam Community Building on Cleveland Avenue in downtown Loveland would be about knee-deep in eggshells.

With the first phase of the historic building's renovation nearly complete, and a private campaign to raise capital for the remaining work gaining momentum, it is time to start thinking about the omelet's ingredients.

"Loveland taxpayers are getting a wonderful deal here," said Norm Rehme, president of the Pulliam Community Building Foundation, the private, nonprofit corporation that by early next year will have contributed \$1.25 million directly or indirectly to the project.

"It's a partnership, not unlike the one that led to the construction of this building in the 1930s," he said. "In 80 years, nothing's changed."

The Depression-era building with distinctive, Art-Deco flourishes is the product of a partnership that brought its two namesake benefactors, D.T. and Lillian Pulliam, together with the City of Loveland and the federal job-boosting Works Progress Administration. The 1936 price tag was \$140,000.

Eighty-three years later, the job of transforming the Pulliam Community Building into a multi-purpose gathering place for special events, festivals, performances, meetings and other uses is much more



Norm Rehme, president of the Pulliam Community Building Foundation, stands in the center of the ballroom's hardwood floor, under the lamella-truss roof, one of the features that define the building's historic character.

Photo: Timothy Hurst, City of Loveland



A new entry plaza is featured in this artist's rendition of the renovated Pulliam Community Building. More images and videos of the current project and projected result are available at www.pulliambuilding.org.

costly. The \$2.3 million first phase has been messy work – hence, all the figurative eggshells.

Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and modern fire and safety codes, have required the meticulous demolition of parts of the building to accommodate an elevator, ADA-compliant restrooms and other access features. Emergency exits, sprinkler systems and other code requirements that no one thought about in 1936 have been carefully designed and installed to preserve the building’s historic integrity.

Historic reconstruction/preservation specialist Fransen Pittman General Contractors, the Englewood-based contractor for the Pulliam job, is exercising the same care with the community building that the company demonstrated with its refurbishments of the Colorado Capitol Building and the Governor’s Mansion.

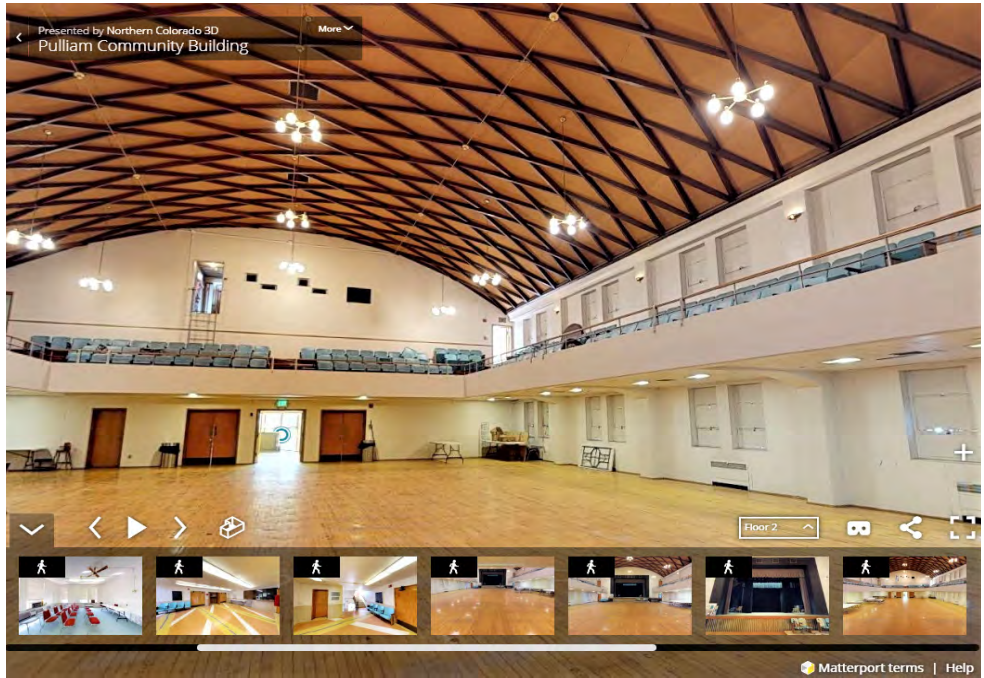
In late August, Fransen Pittman construction superintendent Lester Flores joined Rehme in conducting a tour of the Pulliam’s progress.

“I love this project,” Flores said. “It’s a challenge. Anyone can build something from the ground up, but this is really special.”

Because of the private foundation’s fund-raising success, the transition from the first construction phase to the second will be seamless, with the City matching private contributions dollar-for-dollar. The approximately \$5 million budget for the remaining work will pay for extensive interior remodeling, drawing from the building’s Art Deco influences. A new entry plaza, updated windows and refurbishment of the building’s Terrazzo floors will be among the most visible additions.

When the Pulliam is ready for use, the City’s Cultural Services Department will assume responsibility for its operation, making parts or all of the 20,000 square feet of usable space available to community groups in addition to City events and programs.

“We see it almost as an extension of the Rialto Theater,” Cultural Services Director Susan Ison said. While the Rialto is and will be a performing arts venue, the more versatile community building will accommodate gatherings of all types, both public and private. “We view the Rialto and the Pulliam as being complimentary not competitive,” she said.



Visitors to PulliamBuilding.org can take a virtual tour of the entire building, including the main auditorium’s ballroom floor and balcony.



The original Terrazzo flooring in the upper and lower lobbies of the Community Building will be restored, repaired and polished during the second phase of construction on the building.

www.PulliamBuilding.org

The Pulliam Community Building Foundation website provides information on the restoration project, plus information about how citizens can help move it forward. The location of the building in an Enterprise Zone, plus other factors, make donations to the capital campaign stretch further. Historic photos and video tours round out the website content.

Annual Loveland Connect connects residents in-need with host of services

The annual Loveland Connect event provides area residents who are experiencing homelessness, or who may be at risk of homelessness, to access needed services.

The event, now in its ninth season, will take place from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 11 at Truscott Elementary, 211 W. Sixth St.

More than forty services will be offered. Attendees will be able to access information on housing, get a dental or medical screening, as well as bike repairs and haircuts.

All event attendees are paired with a volunteer. The goal of the pairing is to have the volunteer guide the guest through the event, starting with a shared meal and then accessing services that could dramatically improve life circumstances for the guest. This



Photo: Jenny Sparks
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mutually beneficial partnership provides support for the attendee, while helping volunteers better understand the challenges that their neighbors who face homelessness must deal with on a daily basis.

Volunteers are needed to help those in our community who need it most. To register, go to www.lifecenternoco.org/serve/loveland-connect or call 962-2517 for more information.

Loveland Connect is based on the national best practice model called Project Homeless Connect that has been replicated in over 260 communities across the country, and promotes communities coming together to assist those who are most vulnerable.

Phase 2 - Wilson and Eighth Street stormwater improvements to begin

Crews will begin construction on Phase 2 of stormwater improvements along Wilson Avenue.

This second phase is part of a three-phase project to relieve ponding along Wilson Avenue north of Eisenhower Boulevard.

Phase 2 will require contractors to hand-tunnel a large pipe 24 feet under the Big Barnes ditch and bring it just north of the intersection. Once the work is complete on Wilson, crews will

install a stormwater pipe west along Eighth Street to eliminate a temporary neighborhood detention pond.

The project will begin in October, with traffic shifting to one lane in each direction in the southbound lanes along Wilson Avenue at the Eighth Street intersection.

Construction under the ditch will be completed by Feb. 1, 2020. Work will continue along Wilson and Eighth Street until April 1, 2020.

For more information, please visit the capital projects website at www.cityofloveland.org/capitalprojects.



Notice to City of Loveland commercial and industrial sanitary sewer customers

On Feb. 22, 2019, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency published a final Rule that prohibits the discharge of any hazardous waste pharmaceutical or Drug Enforcement Agency controlled substance to the sanitary sewer (e.g., no disposal down the drain and no flushing).

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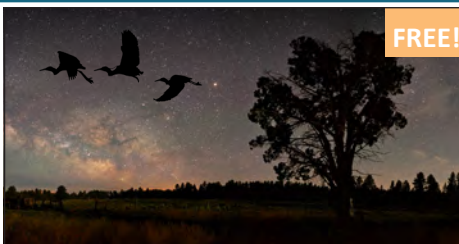
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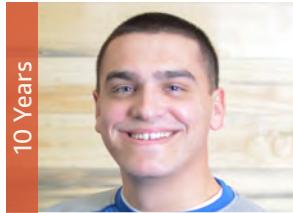
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POWERFUL BEGINNINGS



The tiny town of Namaqua, named for the first settler in the Big Thompson Valley, was a trading post on the Overland trail. A small settlement nestled along the Big Thompson River, became a flourishing community around 1873 with the arrival of the Colorado Central Railroad and a new name – Loveland.

Lovelanders of the 1890s were eager to power their homes with newly discovered electricity. Loveland mill owner, Lee Kelim, pleaded with the Loveland Town Board to bring electricity to the town, but board members were not sold on the notion to surrender their kerosene lamps for a new idea. Kelim attached an electric generator created by an 85-horsepower steam engine to his mill that powered electric lights inside the building and eventually down Fourth Street to light other businesses. Just a couple short years later, Loveland Light, Heat and Power was born.

The rebuild of the entire electric system in Big Thompson Canyon is scheduled for completion in November. The 25-foot steel poles originally installed over Ute Pass when power first came to Loveland are gone. Crews toled new poles by truck or flew them by helicopter up and over the pass. The new infrastructure includes composite cross arms and high-density polyethylene insulators that will increase reliability and prolong the life of each pole.

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CANYON UPDATE



Every Colorado town along the Front Range boasts a claim to fame that differentiates it from their neighbor. Loveland is no exception. Loveland is the gatekeeper to Rocky Mountain National Park. Six short years ago, floodwaters swamped the pathway to the park leaving the Big Thompson Canyon in shambles. The painstaking process of rebuilding power infrastructure in the canyon is finally culminating into a more resilient, reliable system.

Canyon residents who weathered the 2013 flood waited patiently for the restoration of their paved lifeline and power supply. Three years later, the project-related road closures still caused drastic changes to everyday life in ways that made even simple errands an ordeal. The highway closed twice for eight months at a time, rattling the nerves of local residents and playing havoc with regional tourism.

Loveland Water and Power, alongside contracting partners Power Contracting, was charged with creating a more fortified, more reliable power system for Big Thompson Canyon dwellers. The first phase of the project started at Namaqua Road and snaked to the Water Treatment Plant nestled near Devil's Backbone. Phase two enveloped much of 2018 but pushed the project up the canyon to the Colorado Cherry Company store. The final phase, to wrap up in late November, extends the end of the line near Waltonia and Drake.

Improving reliability was the paramount. Crews rebuilt shorter sections of overhead line to minimize interference with CDOT. LWP added recloser devices to reduce numbers of customers exposed to an outage at one time as reclosers de-energize lines briefly to allow a temporary fault to clear. Crews also eliminated the antique steel poles on the lines to reduce the opportunity for electrical flashover.

The canyon runs on an entirely different voltage now. The 7.2 kV conversion will improve power quality and reduce line loss. The cost of the new system will exceed \$7.1 million.