



A Shared Vision for Quincy Farm and a Strategic Roadmap for Realizing the Vision

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Vision

Quincy Farm will be an integral part of the educational and recreational infrastructure of the City of Cherry Hills Village; a place of experiences that reminds our community of its agricultural heritage; a place of natural beauty and open spaces; a place that provides a rich habitat for local flora and fauna; a place that promotes the conservation values of the property; and a place that centers and enriches the Cherry Hills Village Community.

Partnership

Cherry Hills Land Preserve (CHLP) and the City of Cherry Hills Village entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on December 10, 2021. The two organizations are collaborating in a manner consistent with the MOU to carry out the strategies outlined below.

Strategic Roadmap Outline

Goal 1: To provide daily public access, dawn to dusk, to Quincy Farm

Key Strategy: Develop uses consistent with the conservation values for both the east and west sides of the property as CHV works to resolve the “limited access” issue, among others, to the west area of Quincy Farm with Colorado Open Lands.

Goal 2: To provide programs, activities, events, and other uses consistent with the Quincy Farm Vision and the Conservation Easement

Key strategies:

- CHLP and the City will continue to provide activities and events related to nature, history, and/or agriculture for Quincy Farm consistent with the Vision and the Conservation Easement, as well as hosting events to raise awareness and funding in support of the farm.
- Continue and expand outreach strategies to communicate programs, activities, and events to the local community.
- Encourage other organizations whose missions align with the Farm’s Conservation Values to use the property.

Goal 3: To carry out cost-effective site improvements to support programs, activities, events, and other uses at Quincy Farm

A. Improve the east side to create an educational and activity hub for the property

Key Strategies:

- Complete necessary structural repairs to the “Big Barn” in such a way to maintain the barn’s historic character while creating a small interior area to serve as the core program and events space at Quincy Farm.
- Install interpretive signage around the barnyard and other areas to explain the historical significance of the site.
- Replace the bridge over the High Line Canal to allow safe passage to both the east and west sides of the property. The new bridge will be consistent with the rustic and historic character of the property.
- Repair and stabilize the small barn, stables, and farmhouse which will in turn support programs and events consistent with the Quincy Farm vision.
- Improve the pasture areas on the east side of the High Line Canal which may include weed mitigation and soil restoration, that will support appropriate new growth.
- Revitalize the Pony Club arena and create a crusher fine path from the barn to the arena.

B. Maintain the Hopkins House as an important historic feature

Key strategies:

- Repair and preserve the exterior of the Hopkins House consistent with the standards for historic properties.
- Assess the Hopkins House to help determine its best use(s) in advancing the Quincy Farm vision.
- Install exterior interpretive signage to promote the historical significance of the Hopkins House.

C. Maintain a natural landscape on the west side of the High Line Canal

Key strategies:

- Create a crusher fine nature trail to allow access to the natural landscape and scenic vistas on the west side of the Canal while preserving the existing vegetation and wildlife habitat.
- Rehabilitate the pond as a significant landscape element, wildlife feature, and educational asset.
- Assess the strategic relevance of the Anderson House, garage, and surrounding meadows, pastures, and gardens to the Quincy Farm vision of a natural landscape on the west side.