# CENTER GREEN HEIGHTS PARK HOA NEWSLETTER WINTER 2020

Be like the tree. Change your leaves and keep your roots...Change your ideas and keep your principles!

Tibetan proverb

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## **Battling the H-E-A-T!**

For the first time in 8 years, 100% of Colorado is under drought or abnormally dry conditions. This August has the record for most days in a month above 95 degrees. The U.N. weather agency predicts 2020 will come in as almost the hottest year on record, just behind the current record-holder, 2016. I do not believe our park and 4 medians need to be golf–course-green, but our turf needs enough water to keep it vital.

Add to the City's increase in water costs and irrigation leaks; I am working hard to minimize our operating costs. Any time it rains, I shut off our irrigation. Ward's our landscaper contractors do an irrigation audit weekly. And irrigation repairs are weekly.

## **Budget for 2020**

The board voted to approve the 2021 Budget (same dollar amount as 2020-no increase due to Apple Green's special assessment for their HOA). This translates into an operating budget just for maintenance; there will be no improvement projects for 2021.

Two years ago, I established a line-of-credit attached to our CGHP HOA checking account for \$5,000. This line-of-credit will ensure CGHP HOA will not have to incur a special assessment.

#### **Storms**

Our 60 degree weather drop and snow storm costs CGHP HOA \$1,650.00. Mountain Tree removed hazardous limbs in the park and medians. I contracted a landscaper to remove all fallen branches.

#### **New Tree**

I planted a Shumard Oak in the park, and our free saplings are thriving.