

## Timeline and basic facts about Gunbarrel Community Alliance

### The early days

- An idea that grew into a non-profit corporation
- Born to fill the need to give residents of Gunbarrel a voice in city and county land use and development decisions
- Seminal meeting May 17, 2020, of “a few neighbors” on our front lawn, which drew more than 30 attendees from several nearby Gunbarrel neighborhoods; social distancing and face coverings helped address covid19 concerns
- First neighborhood appearance at Boulder Planning Board meeting May 21, 2020, at which 58 people spoke against this proposal and 6 spoke in support
- GCA introduced to a gathering of interested neighbors May 26, 2020, at our first zoom open meeting. “Gunbarrel Community Alliance (GCA) is a new all-volunteer non-profit organization. Our goals are to **1)** Ensure the protection of Gunbarrel open spaces, wildlife corridors, and other valuable natural resources; and **2)** Represent Gunbarrel residents in City of Boulder and Boulder County land use planning and development decisions.” GCA consists of a Board (6 directors) and several action teams: Parks and Open Space, Wildlife, Legal, Communications, Neighborhood Liaison, and Spirit of Gunbarrel.
- First GCA board meeting May 28, 2020, to list main objectives, fundraising, meeting schedule, team protocols, and website content
- GCA introduced to the public May 28, 2020, at Boulder Planning Board meeting, speaking in support of Twin Lakes proposal to designate parcels as open space as part of mid-term update of Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan
- GCA introduced June 2, 2020, at Boulder City Council meeting speaking in support of TLAG proposals (see above)
- GCA articles of incorporation signed by the board June 5, 2020
- GCA files with IRS for Employee Identification Number June 5, 2020
- GCA opens a bank account June 5, 2020
- GCA letter writing effort to Hain/Celestial, city council, and planning board begins June 9, 2020
- GCA board develops overall strategy June 11, 2020
- GCA decides to press for a boycott of Hain/Celestial brands June 17, 2020
- GCA goes live on Instagram and Facebook on June 17, 2020  
@gunbarrel\_community\_alliance and @gunbarrelcommunityalliance
- GCA first calls for boycott of Hain/Celestial on IG and FB sites June 18, 2020
- GCA opens PayPal account June 25, 2020
- GCA website goes live June 30, 2020 <https://www.gunbarrelcommunityalliance.org/>
- GCA distributes a flyer door to door to introduce GCA to our neighbors July 3-12, 2020
- GCA posts a banner to support boycott of Hain/Celestial July 4, 2020
- GCA posts yard signs to support the boycott
- Article in the Left Hand Valley Courier about GCA and this proposal on July ?, 2020
- GCA files a letter of opposition to the Spine Road proposal with the city on July 27, 2020

- GCA mobilizes more than 100 speakers for Boulder City Council meeting July 28, 2020
- KGNU interview w Kit and Wanda Fuller airs July 29?, 2020
- GCA article is published in Elephant Journal on \_\_\_\_\_
- GCA receives news of 501c3 approval on August 4, 2020