



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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**THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025
9:00 A.M.**

**PUEBLO COUNTY COURTHOUSE
COMMISSIONERS' CHAMBERS
215 WEST 10TH STREET**

LAND USE AGENDA

NOTICE: The public may provide comments by 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, to the Department of Planning and Development or via email to planning@pueblocounty.us. The hearing will be streamed on Facebook Live. It can be viewed on the Pueblo County Website, <http://county.pueblo.org>, on the left side of the screen. Be advised, public comments will not be accepted on Facebook Live.

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9:00 A.M. CALL TO ORDER

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Attendance/Excused
- Approve Land Use Minutes of December 12, 2024.
- Approve Agenda of January 9, 2025.

9:05 A.M. BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR ITEMS

- PUBLIC HEARING**
HOUSE BILL 1041 PERMIT
[CASE NO. SLI-24-5](#)
Public Service Company of Colorado, (PSCo)
Jennifer Chester (Applicant)
Burns & McDonnell, Erica Powell
(Representative Firm)

Public Service Company of Colorado, a Colorado corporation conducting business as Xcel Energy (Xcel Energy), is seeking approval of a 1041 Permit for Site Selection and Construction of Major Facilities of a Public Utility from Pueblo County to construct and operate a portion of Colorado's Power Pathway (Pathway) located in Pueblo County, pursuant to Chapters 17.148 and 17.168 of the Pueblo County code, Title 17 Land Use, Division II Areas and Activities of State and Local Interest. The Pathway proposed in unincorporated Pueblo County includes 37 miles of new 345-kV double-circuit electric transmission line, equipment additions at the existing Tundra Substation, and the new

Sandstone Substation. Pathway will be constructed in segments, with approximately 26 miles of Segment 4 and 11 miles of Segment 5 proposed in Pueblo County. The proposed location in Pueblo County is generally located in the northeast portion of the County, north of Colorado State Highway 96. Segment 4 is oriented in an east to west direction and Segment 5 is oriented in a south to north direction. The existing Tundra Substation is located off DOT Road, approximately five miles north of US50. The new Sandstone substation is proposed east of Boone Road, south of County Road 622. **(15 minutes)**
Continued from the 12-12-2024 BOCC Hearing.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING**
HOUSE BILL 1041 PERMIT
[CASE NO. SLI-24-8](#)

Arroyo, LLC, Ryan Prescott
(Representative, Applicant)
Robert C and Barbara S Barr (Property Owner)
State of Colorado, Dave Rodenberg
(Representative, Property Owner)
SWCA Environmental Consultants,
Tara Wilkins (Representative)

The applicant is requesting approval of a permit by the Pueblo Board of County Commissioners as the designated Permit Authority, to construct, operate and maintain a 422-megawatt (MW) ground mounted photovoltaic system and a 168 MW battery energy storage system and other appurtenant facilities. After permit approval, the project will be transferred to Public Service Company of Colorado. The Project Area is located south of the Comanche generating station and west of Doyle Rd. entirely within Pueblo County and consists of rural, private and state-owned land on approximately 2,656 acres, Pueblo, Colorado. **(15 minutes)**

9:35 A.M. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. Citizen Comments *(Limited to 3 minutes per speaker, total of 7 speakers.)*
4. Commissioners' Comments *(5 minutes)*

10:01 A.M. ADJOURN

The next regular BOCC Land Use Meeting will be held on **February 13, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.**

Any items that cannot be addressed within the allotted time will be heard at the next BOCC Land Use meeting on **February 13, 2025**. The meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' Chambers at the Pueblo County Courthouse, 215 West 10th Street, Pueblo, Colorado.

(The Record: Planning Department staff reports, applications, and supplemental materials distributed at the meeting are automatically part of the Record unless objected to and upheld during the public hearing. Additional materials from applicants or others may be submitted for inclusion at their discretion and admitted by the administrative body. All materials accepted into the Record must be left with the Clerk.)

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