# **Acronyms and Definitions**

501(C)3 TAX EXEMPT NON PROFIT

**AACCS** AURORA ACTION COALITION FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

**AACE** AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT

AAM AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF MUSEUMS

**AASHTO** AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS

**ABDC** AURORA BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER

ACAA AURORA CENTER FOR ACTIVE ADULTS

**ACAMS** AUTOMATED CRITICAL ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

**ACCRUAL** The accrual basis of accounting recognizes transactions and events as they are earned or incurred,

even though they may not yet have been received or actually paid in cash.

**ACED** ADAMS COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**ACLC** AURORA CAPITAL LEASING CORPORATION

Not-for-profit corporation organized to finance capital assets of the city.

ACRE AURORA CAMPUS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY

> Land owned by the City of Aurora in the northeastern plains and purchased with noise penalty payments from Denver International Airport. A master plan has been prepared for 1,762 acres zoning ACRE for renewable energy education, research, development and production and open space. All development at

ACRE is required to be built and maintained in a sustainable manner.

ACS AURORA COMMISSION FOR SENIORS

**ACTIVE NET** The new software the Recreation division uses for business operations

**ACTRA** TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYSTEM USED IN PUBLIC WORKS

**ACWWA** ARAPAHOE COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER AUTHORITY

ADA AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

**ADDI** AMERICAN DREAM DOWNPAYMENT INITIATIVE

ADL ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE FEES**

'Administrative fees' is an umbrella term for all fees and charges assessed by City operations for services provided. Fees and charges are reviewed each year by the departments. Revisions may be recommended based on City Council guidance, cost of services, and other factors. The City Manager approves

administrative fees each year.

#### ADOPTED BUDGET

An adopted budget is the City Council approved financial plan for the ensuing year.

**AEDC** AURORA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

> Aurora Economic Development Council, Inc. A private, not-for-profit corporation responsible for primary job creation and retention in the city. A public/private partnership dedicated to enhancing the economic

strength of the city of Aurora. The City of Aurora is an AEDC partner.

**AEF** AURORA EDUCATION FOUNDATION

**AFD** AURORA FIRE DEPARTMENT **AFG** ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT

AFIS AUTOMATED FINGERPRINT IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

**AHA** AURORA HOUSING AUTHORITY

An independent organization established by action of the Aurora City Council to provide affordable housing in the community. The AHA is primarily funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Devel-

opment.

AIA AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

AICP AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PLANNERS

**AIPP** ART IN PUBLIC PLACES

The Capital Improvement Program provides funding for the City's Art in Public Places program which was established in 1993. Generally, an amount equal to one percent of the construction cost of a capital

project is dedicated to the program for the acquisition and maintenance of public art.

**AIR TRAIN** Common term for a proposed commuter rail line linking downtown Denver and north Aurora to DIA.

**AMANDA** APPLICATION MANAGEMENT DATA AUTOMATION

AMC AURORA MUNICIPAL CENTER

# **AMENDED BUDGET**

The amended budget is the adopted budget, including any changes that occurred per ordinance during the year. This budget would not include carryforwards or non-ordinance related transfers or lapses.

AMI AREA MEDIAN INCOME

**AMWA** ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN WATER AGENCIES

**ANYTHINK** ANYTHINK LIBRARY SYSTEM

Formerly Rangeview Library District, Formerly Adams County Library District

APD AURORA POLICE DEPARTMENT

**APDC** ASIAN PACIFIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER

**APM** ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY MEMORANDUM

#### **APPROPRIATION**

An appropriation is an authorization made by the City Council that permits City officials to incur obligations against and to make expenditures from governmental resources. Appropriations are usually made for fixed amounts and are typically granted for a one-year period. In practical terms, a department's total appropriation cannot legally be exceeded.

# APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

An appropriation ordinance is an ordinance passed by City Council that authorizes an expenditure of a designated amount of public funds for a specific purpose. Typically, appropriation ordinances are passed for the annual budget authorization, a spring supplemental appropriation and a fall supplemental appropriation.

APS AURORA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**APWA** AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION

ARI AURORA REGIONAL IMPROVEMENT

mill levy for Metropolitan Districts

ARR AURORA RESIDENTS FOR RECREATION

aka ARRTF - Aurora Residents for Recreation Task Force

ARRA AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, is an economic stimulus package enacted by the

111th United States Congress in February 2009.

ARRTF AURORA RESIDENTS FOR RECREATION TASK FORCE

aka ARR - Aurora Residents for Recreation

# **ASKCOLORADO**

Live Online reference system coordinated by State Library

**ATF** ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND FIREARMS

**AURA** AURORA URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY

established in 1981 and governed by a board of commissioners made up of the mayor and City Council

members, providing a legal entity that has various powers to stimulate urban renewal activity.

#### AURORA-COLORADO SPRINGS JOINT WATER AUTHORITY

An authority formed by contract between the city of Aurora and the city of Colorado Springs for the purpose of developing water resources, systems or facilities in whole or in part for the benefit of the two

cities.

**AVID** AURORA VOLUNTEERS IN DISASTER

# **AWQUA LOUNGE**

AURORA WATER QUALITY UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION

**AWWA** AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION

BAA **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS** 

**BAB BUSINESS ADVISORY BOARD** 

# **BALANCED BUDGET**

A balanced budget is one in which total expenditures equal total revenue. An entity has a budget surplus if expenditures are less than revenues. It has a budget deficit if expenditures are greater than revenues.

# **BASELINE BUDGET**

A department's baseline or target budget amount is set by the City Manager at the initiation of the budget development process. While the total amount of all requirements may exceed the amount available in the target budget, the most critical requirements must be included within the target amount.

#### **BASELINE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT**

A baseline budget adjustment can represent either an increase or decrease to the target budget. A target budget adjustment is prepared as a stand-alone proposal and may include any applicable class; e.g., personal services, supplies, etc. Target budget adjustments may either be included or excluded in the Manager's proposed budget to City Council.

**BCB** BUILDING CODE & CONTRACTORS APPEALS AND STANDARDS BOARD

**BEFABA** BLACK EMPLOYEES FOR A BETTER AURORA

BID BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

#### **BLACK FOREST**

An ecosystem in southeast Aurora representing a non-mountainous extension of ponderosa pine onto the high plains, and protected by special provisions of the city's landscaping ordinance.

**BLM** U.S. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

**BOND** A bond is a long-term written promise to repay (debt) a specified amount of money (the face amount of

> the bond) on a pre-determined date (the maturity date). In addition, periodic interest payments must be made throughout the life of the bond. Bonds are typically used for long-term debt to pay for specific capital

expenditures.

BRF **BUILDING REPAIR FUND** 

> The Building Repair Fund provides funding for major repair of City facilities such as the repair and maintenance of roofs, signage, lighting, floor repair and carpet replacement, interior/exterior painting, HVAC

system replacements and electrical distribution repair.

**BROWNFIELD** Industrial or commercial sites that are abandoned or undeveloped because of real or perceived contamination.

#### **BUDGET CATEGORY**

The budget category is the "parent" budget level of a related group of budget classes. The total amount of the related budget classes represents the budget category. For example, the budget category 'Salaries & Benefits' is made up of all budget classes for personal services -- Regular Salary, Salary Driven Benefits, Non Salary Driven Benefits, Temporary Compensation, Overtime and Special Pay.

### **BUDGET CLASS**

The budget class is the 'parent' budget level of a related group of budget sub-objects. The total of the related sub-objects represents the budget class. For example, the budget class 'Salary Driven Benefits' is made up of several pension sub-objects and two Federal Insurance Contributions Act Tax (FICA) subobjects.

#### **BUDGET TRANSFER**

A transfer of funds from one program to another is called a budget transfer. A 'Budget Transfer Request' form is used to request and document transfers between programs. Monies cannot be transferred between departments, between Council-approved capital projects or between funds without City Council approval.

CABC CITIZENS ADVISORY BUDGET COMMITTEE

CAC **CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION** CACU CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN UNIT

CAD COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH ALSO COMPUTER AIDED DRAFTING

CADD COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN AND DRAFTING

CAFR COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

The audited annual financial statement of the city. Includes continuing disclosure statements for out-

standing bond issues.

CAI COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS INSTITUTE

**CAI-RMC** COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS INSTITUTE, ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER

**CALEA** COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

CAPER CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT

#### CAPITAL BUDGET

The capital budget allocates existing funds and anticipated revenues for the development and improvement of facility and infrastructure projects of \$25,000 or more. All projects must have a long-term benefit of at least five years.

CBI COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONS

CC&RS COVENANTS, CONDITIONS & RESTRICTIONS

recorded governing docs for HOAs

CCA COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF AURORA

**CBWQA** CHERRY CREEK BASIN WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY

CCCMA COLORADO CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

CCH COLORADO COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS

CCIOA COLORADO COMMON INTEREST OWNERSHIP ACT STATE STATUTE GOVERNING MANDATORY HOA'S

CCIS COLORADO CRIME INFORMATION SYSTEM **CCN** COLFAX COMMUNITY NETWORK

CCSD CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT

**CDBG** COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

**CDL** COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE

**CDOT** COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**CDPHE** COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

CEEP COLFAX ECONOMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

**CEO** CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

**CERT** CITIZEN EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

**CFA** CITIZEN'S FIRE ACADEMY

**CFR** CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

**CGA** COLORADO GOLF ASSOCIATION

CGFOA COLORADO GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

**CHARTER** The home rule Charter of the city as adopted by the electors on June 27, 1961, and any amendments

thereto.

CHBA COLORADO HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION

CHCC COLORADO HOUSING COUNSELING COALITION

CHCD CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**CHCPF** COLORADO HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING

CHD CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CHDO COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

**CHFA** COLORADO HOUSING AND FINANCE AUTHORITY

**CHRB** COMMUNITY HOUSING RESOURCE BOARD

CHS COLORADO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

CHSAA COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY ASSOCIATION

CIAC COLORADO INFORMATION ANALYSIS CENTER

CIP CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Capital Improvement Program is a proposed schedule for five years of anticipated expenditures to construct or acquire needed capital infrastructure and/or facilities. Projects in the first year of the plan are fully funded in the budget year; projects in years two (2) - five (5) are planned for future funding. The

plan is updated annually.

**CITY CENTER** A 772-acre site bordering Alameda Parkway east of I-225, planned as the city's new downtown area.

#### CITY MANAGER'S PROPOSED BUDGET

The proposed budget is presented to City Council by the City Manager. It is the cumulative result of the City Manager's review and decisions regarding department target budgets, non-departmental items and selected target budget adjustments.

**CLASS** The old software the Recreation division used previously for business operations.

**CLOMR** CONDITIONAL LETTER OF MAP REVISION

CML COLORADO MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

Nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that provides advocacy, information and training to build stronger

Colorado cities and towns.

CMO CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

CO CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

**COA** CITY OF AURORA

**COLA** COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE

#### **COLFAX MAIN STREET OVERLAY DISTRICT**

A district created by the City of Aurora with the purpose of encouraging economic development and to help improve the overall appearance along Colfax Avenue corridor.

# **COLORADO RENEWABLE ENERGY COLLABORATORY**

A collaboration of local universities, private partners, and public agencies with the goal of developing marketable renewable energy technologies.

# **COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTER**

As defined in the Aurora Zoning Code. Commercial areas serving multiple neighborhoods at arterial street intersections.

**COMPASS** COALITION OF MANY PROVIDING AFTER SCHOOL SUCCESS

# CONTINGENCY

A contingency is a budgetary reserve set aside for emergencies or unforeseen expenditures not other-

wise budgeted.

**COOP** CONTINUITY OF OPERATION PLAN

**COPS** CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION

COPS are issued and owed by ACLC. COPS are payable from city lease payments to ACLC, which are as-

signed for COPS debt service.

CORA COLORADO OPEN RECORDS ACT

**CPD** CAPITAL PROJECTS DIVISION

**CPF** CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS

Utilized for major capital acquisition and construction and are reported separately from ongoing operating activities. Capital projects funds are established to provide for all general government infrastructure

and facilities including streets, parks, information systems and facilities.

**CQT** CRIME, QUALITY OF LIFE AND TRAFFIC

Program in APD

CRCD COLORADO RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

**CRS** COLORADO REVISED STATUTES

**CSBG** COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

**CSC** CAREER SERVICE COMMISSION

**CSP** CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN

CSTP COLORADO SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PARK

A planned 160-acre bio-science research park with supporting commercial, retail and a small amount of

 $residential \ development \ located \ in \ the \ Fitzsimons \ Life \ Science \ District.$ 

CTF CONSERVATION TRUST FUND

Pursuant to Colorado law, the Conservation Trust Fund (CTF) is to be used for the acquisition, development and maintenance of new conservation sites or for capital improvements or maintenance for recreational purposes on any public site. The primary source of revenue is Colorado Lottery proceeds

distributed by the State of Colorado.

**CWA** CLEAN WATER ACT

**CWAC** CITIZENS' WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**CWC** COLORADO WATER CONGRESS

**CWQCC/D** COLORADO WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION/DIVISION

**CWUC** COLORADO WATER UTILITY COUNCIL

**DARE** DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION

**DART** DIRECT ACTION RESPONSE TEAM

**DAVA** DOWNTOWN AURORA VISUAL ARTS

**DBC** DEPARTMENT BUDGET COORDINATOR

The Department Budget Coordinator is the department director's representative in budget matters. The

DBC assists the director in all phases of budget development and execution.

DBE DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

**DCM** DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

**DDCM** DEDICATION & DEVELOPMENT CRITERIA MANUAL

**DEA** DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

**DEBT SERVICE** Debt service is the cost of paying principal and interest on borrowed money according to a predeter-

mined payment schedule.

**DEBT SERVICE FUND** 

The debt service funds are established to accumulate resources to pay the principal, interest, and agency fees on long-term debt. Mill levies dedicated to a specific bond issuance and special assessment

debt are accounted for in various debt service funds.

**DEFICIT** A deficit is an excess of expenditures over revenues for any given year.

**DENSITY** A measure of the number of families, individuals, dwelling units, households, or housing structures per

unit of land.

**DENVER/AURORA URBAN AREA** 

As of 2002, the official U.S. Census Bureau designation of the metropolitan region for statistical report-

ing purposes.

**DESIGNATED FUNDS AVAILABLE** 

Designated Funds Available' are those portions of total funds available that must be spent for a particu-

lar purpose.

**DMV** DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

**DOJ** DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

**DOL** DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

**DOR** DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

**DORA**DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES

**DOW** DIVISION OF WILDLIFE

**DRCOG**DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

A voluntary association of city and county governments serving nine counties including Adams, Arapa-

hoe, and Douglas counties, and more than 40 municipalities including Aurora.

**DRF** DEVELOPMENT REVIEW FUND

The Development Review Fund provides support for new development within the City including plans

review and building inspection. Revenues originate from development related fees.

**DROP** DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN

Under the "DROP" plan, a member is eligible for retirement and receives retirement payments, but still keeps on working and receiving a salary for up to five years. The member has no access to his/her retirement funds until he/she retires. Retirement payments accrue in an account in the meantime. Retirement payments are calculated from the time that the member "DROPs", not from when they stop working.

#### **DROUGHT TOLERANT**

The degree to which a plant or animal is able to cope with drought conditions.

#### E-470 HIGHWAY AUTHORITY

Legal entity charged with designing, constructing and maintaining the E-470 toll highway, a 34-mile long transportation corridor extending from Highway C-470 at I-25 in Douglas County to 120th Avenue just west of Tower Road in Adams County. Consists of eight member jurisdictions: Adams, Arapahoe and Douglas counties, and the cities of Aurora, Brighton, Commerce City, Parker and Thornton.

**EAP** EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**EAR** EMPLOYEE ACTION REQUEST

#### EAST CORRIDOR

A transportation corridor in the metropolitan area defined as connecting the area between downtown Denver and DIA, and including parts of north Aurora.

### EASTERN METRO TRANSPORTATION COALITION

A voluntary group of public and private institutions, governments and businesses whose mission is to advocate for transportation improvements in the eastern portion of the metropolitan area including Aurora.

**EC** ENTITLEMENT COMMUNITY (CDBG)

**ECU** ECONOMIC CRIMES UNIT

**EDA** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

Federal agency

**EDR** ENHANCED DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

**EDRP** ENHANCED DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROGRAM

**EECBG** ENERGY EFFICIENCY CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT

**EEO** EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

EIS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

A document required by the National Environmental Policy Act for federal government agency actions "significantly affecting the quality of the human environment." An EIS describes the positive and negative

environmental effects of a proposed project.

**EMPG** EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT

**EMS** EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

**EMT** EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN

**ENCOM** ENCOM WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS

#### **ENCUMBRANCE**

An encumbrance is the legal commitment of appropriated funds to purchase an item or service in the future.

#### ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT

a collection of federal grants to local governments with the goal of improving energy efficiency and conservation across the country.

# **ENTERPRISE FUNDS**

Enterprise funds house activities for which a fee is charged to external users in exchange for goods or services. These funds have been established to manage operations that are (a) financed and operated in a manner similar to private business and are predominantly supported by user charges; or (b) where Council has decided that periodic determination of revenue earned, expenses incurred and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

# **ENVIRONMENT AURORA**

A committee composed of leaders from city departments who meet regularly to discuss ways to improve the city's conservation efforts, develop environmentally friendly programs and educate employees about the important role they play in Aurora's continuing efforts to be environmentally responsible.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

As defined in federal regulations, a concise public document that briefly provides sufficient evidence and analysis to determine whether a more extensive review is needed. Its purpose is to assist the decision-maker in deciding the environmental effects of a proposed action and alternatives.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT**

Process to identify, locate and characterize evidence of potential or actual contamination on a property.

**EOC** EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

**EOEP** ELECTED OFFICIALS AND EXECUTIVE PERSONNEL DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN

**EOP** EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

**EPA** ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

**EPMP** EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT PROCESS

The Employee Performance Management Program is the City's system for evaluation of career (non-

uniform) employees.

**ESL** ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

**ESU** EMERGENCY SERVICES UNIT

**EXACTION** Contributions or payments required as an authorized precondition for receiving a development permit.

#### **EXECUTIVE RETIREMENT PLAN**

City defined contribution retirement plan for executive personnel

**EXPENDITURE** An expenditure is the actual spending of funds for goods, services, or other designated purposes.

#### **EXPENDITURE SUMMARY**

An expenditure summary details the highest level analysis of expenditures presented in the budget.

**FAPL** FRIENDS OF THE AURORA PUBLIC LIBRARY

This non-profit organization operates a used book store to benefit the Aurora public library.

FASB FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD

Organization responsible for non-governmental accounting standards.

**FAST** FUGITIVE APPREHENSION AND SURVEILLANCE TEAM

**FASTRACKS** The RTD FasTracks Program is a multi-billion dollar comprehensive transit expansion plan to build 122

miles of new commuter rail and light rail, 18 miles of bus rapid transit, 21,000 new parking spaces at

light rail and bus stations, and enhanced bus service across the eight-county district.

FBAD FITZSIMONS BOUNDARY AREA DISTRICT

An area south and west of the Fitzsimons Life Science District that requires master planning of certain

multiple parcel areas to ensure coherent planning and design.

FBI FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FEMA FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATION

FERN FIRE EMERGENCY RADIO NETWORK

**FFATA** FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2006

FHA FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

FHEO FAIR HOUSING/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY-Office of HUD

FHWA FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

FIDUCIARY FUND

A fiduciary fund is a governmental unit that acts in a fiduciary capacity such as a trustee or agent. The

government unit is responsible for handling the assets placed under its control.

**FISCAL YEAR** The 12-month period which represents the City's budget year is a fiscal year. The City's fiscal year is

January 1 through December 31.

FITZSIMONS LIFE SCIENCE DISTRICT

The name given to the entire Fitzsimons campus which includes the Anschutz Medical Campus, Chil-

dren's Hospital, Colorado Science & Technology Park, and the future home of the Fitzsimons Veterans

Medical Center.

**FIXED ASSET** Tangible assets valued over \$5,000 with a useful life of more than one year, such as infrastructure,

equipment and buildings that may be depreciated over time.

**FLAG** FUGITIVE LOCATION AND APPREHENSION GROUP

**FLSA** FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

FMLA FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

FOIA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

**FPPA** FIRE AND POLICE PENSION ASSOCIATION

A state created organization to manage certain pension plans.

FRA FITZSIMONS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Fitzsimons Redevelopment Authority is a special-purpose governmental entity created in 1996 under an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Aurora and the University of Colorado Regents for leading the planning, implementation and redevelopment efforts of the former Fitzsimons Army Medi-

cal Center.

**FRTF** FRONT RANGE TASK FORCE

FSA FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT

FTE FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE

The FTE value is based on the number of hours per week an employee works. Generally, an employee

who works 40 hours per week is considered as one FTE. Note: The standard hours per week for a fire-

fighter are 56.15 hours.

FTEP FIELD TRAINING AND EVALUATION PROGRAM

**FUND** A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

# **FUND BALANCE**

Fund balance is the difference between assets and liabilities for any given governmental fund. Fund balance differs from funds available in that funds available is only current available financial assets and fund balance includes non available financial assets such as, but not limited to, current encumbrances and carryforward adjustments, investments to fair value adjustments, and deferred revenue adjustments.

#### FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATION

Funds available is monies available for appropriation and expenditure by designated City departments.

**GAAP** GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

Standards for reporting financial position and activity that are set on a national basis and which the city must follow to have a credible financial report and one that is acceptable to the city's many investors in

its bond issues.

GAPS TICKET GRAPHIC ARTS AND PRINT SHOP

Work order request for printing and graphic arts

GASB GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD

GCC GOLF COURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### **GENERAL FUND**

This is the chief operating fund for the City government and accounts for all financial resources unless there is a compelling reason to report an activity in some other fund type.

#### GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND

A general obligation bond is issued upon direction of City Council and requires approval in a City election. The City's general obligation bonds have a maturity of no more than 15 years. The bonds are repaid from general revenues of the City or from specific sources approved by voters.

# **GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES**

Standards for reporting financial position and activity that are set on a national basis and which the city must follow to have a credible financial report and one that is acceptable to the city's many investors in its bond issues.

**GEO** GOVERNOR'S ENERGY OFFICE

**GERP** GENERAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT PLAN

A city defined benefit pension plan for non-public safety employees

**GETS** GOVERNMENT EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE

**GFOA**GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

An organization established to improve the practice of governmental finance in the United States and

Canada.

GID GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

An organization formed through action of its registered voters to construct improvements or provide services within the district area. The city is responsible for governance and fiscal oversight of GID's within its

boundaries.

#### **GIFTS & GRANTS FUND**

The Gifts & Grants Fund is a fund which was established to account for all types of gifts and grants received by the City for operating programs and capital improvement projects. Gifts and grants are generally received from other governments or private sources.

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

GIU GANG INTERVENTION UNIT

GOCO GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO TRUST FUND

**GOLF FUND** The Golf Fund is an enterprise fund established for City golf activities.

**GON** GRAFFITI OFF NEIGHBORHOODS

**GRANT** A grant is a contribution by the state or federal government, or other organization to support a particular

function.

# **GREEN BUILDING CODE**

Building regulations that promote the construction of sustainable buildings and developments.

#### **GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE**

A strategic network of open spaces and natural areas, such as greenways, wetlands, parks, forest preserves and native plant vegetation, that naturally manages storm water, reduces flooding risk and

improves water quality.

**GREEN JOBS** Jobs related to energy conservation and efficiency, and renewable energy, or jobs which lessen people's

harmful impact on the environment.

**GREEN ROOF** A roof of a building that is partially or completely covered with vegetation and soil. Green roofs help ab-

sorb rainwater, provide insulation, create a habitat for wildlife, and help to lower urban air temperatures

and combat the heat island effect.

#### **GREENHOUSE GAS**

Gases in the atmosphere that trap the sun's energy and thereby contribute to rising surface temperatures. The main greenhouse gas that contributes to climate change is carbon dioxide (CO2), a byproduct

of burning fossil fuels.

#### **GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS INVENTORY**

A measure of an area's, region's or city's carbon footprint indentifying the sources and amounts of

greenhouse gases emitted into the atmosphere.

**HBA** HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION

**HCBS** HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

**HDHP** HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLAN

**HEARTH** HOMELESS EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AND RAPID TRANSITION TO HOUSING ACT OF 2009

**HERA** HOUSING AND ECONOMIC RECOVERY ACT OF 2008

HIDTA HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA

HIPAA HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

**HOA** HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

**HOAP** HOME OWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**HOME** HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP (GRANT)

**HOME RULE** Classification under the Colorado Constitution whereby a city may choose to become a home rule gov-

ernment with the power to create its own charter, ordinances and laws to extend to all of its local and

municipal matters. As contrasted to a "statutory" government.

**HOO** HOME OF OUR OWN

**HPC** HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

**HPRP** HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING PROGRAM

HR HUMAN RESOURCES

HRC HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

**HUD** U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

IACP INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE

IAEI INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ELECTRICAL INSPECTORS

IAFF INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS

IBC INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE

ICC INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL

ICCNA INTERNATIONAL CROSS CULTURAL NETWORK OF AURORA

ICE IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT

ICMA INTERNATIONAL CITY/COUNTY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

IECC INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE

**IFABP** INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

**IFAS** INTEGRATED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING SYSTEMS

The city accounting system.

**IFC** INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE

**IFGC** INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE

**IFSTA** INTERNATIONAL FIRE SERVICE TRAINING ASSOCIATION

**IGA** INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

**ILC** IMPROVEMENT LOCATION CERTIFICATE

IMC INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE

**IMPACT FEE** A fee imposed on a development to help finance the cost of improvements or services.

#### INFRASTRUCTURE

Facilities and services needed to sustain industry, residential, commercial, and all other land uses. Infrastructure includes water, sewer lines and other utilities, streets, communications, and public facilities such as fire stations, parks and schools.

#### **INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEM**

The library's online system that controls access to the collection, patron records, interacts with financial transactions (fines & fees), statistics, cataloging, and more. AKA Millennium

#### INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

Internal service funds are established to centralize the management of goods and services furnished by one department to other departments within the City on a cost reimbursement basis.

**IOPC** INFRASTRUCTURE AND OPERATIONS POLICY COMMITTEE

IPC INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE

IRB INCIDENT REVIEW BOARD

ISS INVESTIGATIVE SUPPORT SECTION

ITACG INTERAGENCY THREAT ASSESSMENT AND COORDINATION GROUP

**ITS** INTELLIGENT TRAFFIC SYSTEMS

JIC JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

JPC JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE COMMISSION

JTF JOINT TASK FORCE

JTTF JOINT TERRORISM TASK FORCE

K-9 CANINE UNIT

KCRT KEY COMMUNITY RESPONSE TEAM

**LAPSE** A REDUCTION OF EXISTING APPROPRIATION.

**LEED** LEADERSHIP IN ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

A system to categorize the level of environmentally sustainable construction in buildings.

# **LEGAL DEBT MARGIN**

The City can have an outstanding legal debt margin equal to no more than three percent of the City's total assessed valuation. Certain deductions to outstanding debt are allowed, including voter-approved debt, general obligation water bonds, capital lease obligations, revenue bonds, and special assessment

bonds.

LAW ENFORCEMENT ONLINE FBI web portal

LEP LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

LEPC LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

#### **LEVEL OF SERVICE**

A description of traffic or pedestrian/bicycle conditions along a given roadway or at a particular intersection. LOS ranges from "A" (free flow of traffic) to "F" (forced flow, jammed intersections, long delays).

LIBRARY BOARD

**LLA** LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY

oversees liquor licensing in Aurora

LMI LOW/MODERATE INCOME AREA

LMMI LOW-MODERATE-TO-MIDDLE INCOME (NSP)

**LOMR** LETTER OF MAP REVISION

#### **LOWRY LANDFILL**

Facility located east of E-470 in unincorporated Arapahoe County, owned by the City of Denver and operated by Waste Management Inc. It includes a sanitary landfill and an industrial waste site, which is now a Superfund site.

#### **LOWRY RANGE**

A 26,000-acre property east of the Aurora Reservoir owned by the State Land Board. The term also refers to the former Lowry Bombing and Gunnery Range, a 94-square-mile area used by the military from 1942 to 1963 for training exercises. Numerous bombing and gunnery targets are located across the site.

**LSTA**LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY ACT

LTD LONG TERM DISABILITY

**LWCF** LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND

**LWOP** LEAVE WITHOUT PAY

M & F MANAGEMENT AND FINANCE POLICY COMMITTEE

#### **MAJOR INVESTMENT STUDY**

A type of planning study defined in federal law, the objective of which is to identify the mix of transportation improvements most effective in improving travel in a defined corridor within anticipated funding constraints while considering environmental and community impacts.

#### **MASTER CAPITAL PROJECT**

The master capital project is the legal level of control for a capital appropriation and is the level at which City Council approves the capital budget. The related master is a 'budget only' project under which multiple related capital subsidiary projects may exist.

**MAXIMO** Work management system used in public works

MBE MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

MBRO MARKET BASED REVENUE OPPORTUNITIES

City Council authorized program to create city revenue through activities such as event sponsorships,

advertising and naming rights.

MCI MASS CASUALTY INCIDENT

MCPN METRO COMMUNITY PROVIDER NETWORK

MDHI METRO DENVER HOUSING INITIATIVE

MDP MAJOR DRAINAGEWAY PLAN

MDS MUNICIPAL DISTRICT SERVICES

A regional government formed under Colorado law in 1961. It provides wholesale wastewater transmis-

sion and treatment service to 55 local governments in the metropolitan area, including Aurora.

MET MOTORCYCLE ENFORCEMENT TEAM

# **METRO MAYORS CAUCUS**

A voluntary collaboration of the mayors of 31 cities in the metropolitan region. The Caucus formed in 1993 to provide a forum for regional cooperation on issues affecting all of the metro area.

#### **METRO VISION 2035**

The metropolitan region's plan for addressing future growth in the region.

#### **METROPOLITAN DISTRICTS**

A type of local governmental generically called a "special district." Typically, a "metro district" is created

by developers to finance infrastructure and other costs through property taxes and fees.

MILL A mill is a unit used in property tax assessment. One mill is equal to 1/1000 of a dollar and is multiplied

by the taxable value of property to determine the total amount of property tax due.

MJC MUNICIPAL JUSTICE CENTER

MMRS METROPOLITAN MEDICAL RESPONSE SYSTEM

MOA MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

#### **MODIFIED ACCRUAL**

Modified accrual is a basis of accounting that recognizes transactions and events when they become measurable and available. Any physical assets with future benefits are expensed when they are acquired

as opposed to depreciated over the life of the asset.

MOI MEMORANDUM OF INTENT (TO PURCHASE REAL PROPERTY)

**MOU** MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

MPPP MONEY PURCHASE PENSION PLAN

MRE MOBILE REPORT ENTRY

MULTI-MODAL The concept that a complete transportation system requires a variety of technologies, or modes, includ-

ing highways and various forms of mass transit.

MUTCD MANUAL OF UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

NAC NEIGHBORHOOD ACTIVITY CENTER

As defined in the Aurora Zoning Code. A small-scale mixed-use area interior to a neighborhood at a ratio of one NAC per quarter section (160 acres). Each NAC must contain a public meeting or gathering area.

NACWA NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CLEAN WATER AGENCIES

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FLOOD AND STORM WATER MANAGEMENT AGENCIES

NAHRO NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT OFFICIALS

NAHRW NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS WORKERS

NANO NORTHERN AURORA NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

NCCJ NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR COMMUNITY AND JUSTICE

NCDA NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

NCIC NATIONAL CRIME INFORMATION CENTER

NCJRS NATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFERENCE SERVICE

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREE SYSTEMS

NCST NATIONAL COMMUNITY STABILIZATION TRUST

NCTC NATIONAL COUNTERTERRORISM CENTER

NCWCD NORTHERN COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

**NEA**NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

**NEH** NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES

**NEPA**NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT

This 1969 federal program has as its goal the promotion and enhancement of the environment and mandated the creation of Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements for all

federal projects.

#### **NEW ENERGY ECONOMY**

Economic opportunities created out of the development of energy conservation and efficiency, and re-

newable energy technologies.

**NFA** NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY

Located in Emmitsburg, MD

NFIRS NATIONAL FIRE INCIDENT REPORTING SYSTEM

NFPA NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

NIBRS NATIONAL INCIDENT BASED REPORTING SYSTEM

NIMS NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

**NISC** NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF SENIOR CENTERS

**NLC** NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES

**NOFA**NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

NPELRA NATIONAL PUBLIC EMPLOYEES LABOR RELATIONS ASSOCIATION

NPSI NATIONAL PLAYGROUND SAFETY INSTITUTE

NRC NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE CENTER OF COLORADO

NRCS NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

NRSA NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY AREA

**NSA** NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY

NSP NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM

NWCCOG NORTHWEST COLORADO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

NWRA NATIONAL WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION

**NWS** NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

OACIC ORIGINAL AURORA COMMUNITY INTEGRATION COLLABORATION (PRONOUNCED OASIS)

OAR ORIGINAL AURORA RENEWAL

**ODA** OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

**OEM** OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

**OPAC** ONLINE PUBLIC ACCESS COMPUTER

**OPEB** OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

### **OPERATING BUDGET**

The operating budget includes portions of the budget pertaining to daily operations that provide basic governmental services. Also included are appropriations for expenditures such as personal services, fringe benefits, commodities, services, and transfers.

# OPERATING TRANSFER

An operating transfer moves funds available between budgeted funds as shown in the fund summaries.

Operating transfers require City Council approval.

**OPT** OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX

The city imposes an occupational privilege tax on individuals who work within city limits and their em-

ployers of \$1.00 per month each (\$2.00 total).

**OSB** OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD

OSHA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

#### OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

An accounting term describing retiree benefits other than pensions.

#### OWNER CONTROLLED INSURANCE PROGRAM

City administered insurance program providing insurance coverage for the Prairie Waters Project.

PAB PRIVATE ACTIVITY BONDS

PACE PARTNERSHIP OF AURORA CITY EMPLOYEES

PAR POLICE AREA REPRESENTATIVE

#### PARKS DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Parks Development Fund was established to provide for the development of park facilities in newly developed areas of the City. Funds are contributed by developers in accordance with agreements with

the City.

PASS PERSONAL ALERT SAFETY SYSTEM

PD&C PLANNING, DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION DIVISION

PED&R PLANNING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND REDEVELOPMENT POLICY COMMITTEE

# PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Performance measures are specific quantitative measures of work performed within a City program.

PGA PROFESSIONAL GOLFERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

**PHACTS** PROJECT HOUR AND COST TRACKING SYSTEM

PIF PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT FEE

PII PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT INSPECTIONS

PIMS POLICE INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

PIO PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

PIP PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PLAN

PIR PUBLIC AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS POLICY COMMITTEE

PMP PARK MASTER PLAN

**POST** POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TESTING

**POWER DMS** DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Police policies

PPO PREFERRED PROVIDER ORGANIZATION

PRB PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD

**PRISM** PROGRAMMERS REGULAR INFORMATION AND SHARING MEETING

**PRO FORMA** The pro forma document is a budgeting tool used to project revenues and expenditures in future years

based on various assumptions.

**PROGRAM** A program is the organizational level at which operating funds are budgeted. In many departments, the

program is the lowest organizational level.

PROGRAM BUDGET

The program budget includes goals, objectives, significant changes and expenditures of a program. They are presented in the budget document by department, with a department summary preceding all pro-

grams.

PROJECTED BUDGET

The projected budget includes budgeted expenditures for the current year, including encumbrances.

PROPRIETARY FUND

A proprietary fund is a government fund that has profit and loss aspects; therefore it uses the accrual rather than modified accrual accounting method. The two types of proprietary funds are the enterprise

fund and the internal service fund.

PROS PARKS. RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE DEPARTMENT

PROSPECTOR Prospector is a unified catalog of 26 academic, public and special libraries in Colorado and Wyoming.

**PSA** PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT

**PSA** PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

PTE PART-TIME EMPLOYEE

PURPLE PIPE A gray or reclaimed water reuse program the city utilizes for irrigation.

PZC PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

**QOL** QUALITY OF LIFE POLICY COMMITTEE

RAQC REGIONAL AIR QUALITY COUNCIL

# **REGIONAL ACTIVITY CENTER**

As defined in the Aurora Zoning Code. A large-scale, intensely developed mixed-use area focused on highway interchanges.

# RENEWABLE ENERGY

Energy generated from natural resources such as sunlight, wind and geothermal heat which are renewable or naturally replenished and therefore sustainable.

**REVENUE** Revenue is income received by the City including all types of taxes, fees, gifts, grants, reimbursements,

intergovernmental revenues, interest earnings and other sources.

#### **REVENUE BOND**

A revenue bond is secured by the pledge of specific revenues issued to finance a capital improvement.

Generally, City revenue bonds are issued only by enterprise funds.

**RFP** REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

**RFQ** REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

**RLF** REVOLVING LOAN FUND

**RMFA** ROCKY MOUNTAIN FIRE ACADEMY

Joint training facility for City of Aurora and City of Denver

**RMS** REPORT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

#### **ROCKY MOUNTAIN CLIMATE ORGANIZATION**

An organization committed to reducing the effects of climate disruption in the Rocky Mountain Region through partnerships with local governments and non-profit groups, and with projects such as the Colo-

rado Climate Project.

**ROP** RESTORATION OUTREACH PROJECTS

**ROW** RIGHT-OF-WAY

RTD REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

A public agency created in 1969 by the Colorado General Assembly, operating as a public transportation system in a seven-county service area, which includes all of Boulder, Broomfield, Denver and Jefferson

Counties, and parts of Adams, Arapahoe and Douglas Counties.

#### SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

A federal program that seeks to improve the health of kids and the community by making walking and

bicycling to school safer, easier and more enjoyable.

**SAHAC** STATE ALL HAZARD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**SBA** SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

**SBCD** SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER

**SBE** SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

SCADA SUPERVISORY CONTROL AND DATA ACQUISITION

SCFD SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL FACILITIES DISTRICT

Taxing authority which collects 1/10 of 1% sales tax to support arts and culture in the 7 county metro

area

**SCU** SEX CRIMES UNIT

**SDC** STAPLETON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

**SDWA** SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT

**SEMSWA** SOUTHEAST METROPOLITAN STORM WATER AUTHORITY

SID SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

A special improvement district is created through action of City Council to provide public improvements or public services which benefit the district. City SID's are governed by a Board of Directors whose mem-

bers are City Council.

SIDD SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DEBT DISTRICT

### **SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING**

A system in which all paper, plastic or glass are recycled together instead of being separated before collection.

**SIU** SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

**SLB** STATE LAND BOARD

SMART GRID Technology and operational methods that increase the connectivity, automation and coordination be-

tween suppliers and consumers of the electricity grid.

# **SMART GROWTH**

A national movement advocating changes in development practices focusing growth in areas already served by infrastructure and seeking expanded choices in employment, housing and transportation.

**SOB** SPECIAL OPERATIONS BUREAU

**SOLARTAC** SOLAR TECHNOLOGY ACCELERATION CENTER

The city has leased approximately 75 acres at the Aurora Campus for Renewable Energy to a consortium of renewable energy research and development partners. Founding partners in addition to the City of Aurora include the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Xcel Energy, Abengoa Solar, SunEdison and

Midwest Research Institute.

**SOP** STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

# SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

Special Revenue Funds were established to account for revenues received by the City that are required by law, contract, or City policy to be spent for a specific purpose. For example, a tax that is designated for the purchase and maintenance of open space.

**SRO** SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

SSI SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME

**SSN** SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

STEP SELECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

**STF** STIMULUS TASK FORCE

A city employee committee established for oversight of ARRA grant application, receipt, administration

and reporting.

**SUBFUND** A set of self-balancing accounts at an organizational level lower than the fund.

#### SUBSIDIARY CAPITAL PROJECT

Subsidiary Capital Project The subsidiary capital project is a lower level mechanism for accounting and tracking specific project budgets that are related to one master capital project.

# SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

The supplemental appropriation ordinance is an appropriation ordinance passed by City Council that authorizes expenditure of funds in addition to appropriations in the originally approved annual budget authorization ordinance.

**SURPLUS** An excess of revenues over expenditures for any given year is a surplus.

# **SUSTAINABILITY**

Sustainability is commonly defined as meeting the needs of the present without compromising the needs of the future. Generally, sustainability is thought to have three primary sub-components: social, environmental and economic sustainability.

#### SUSTAINABLE USE NEIGHBORHOOD

A newly created zoning classification in the Aurora Zoning Code that can be applied within the E-470 and Northeast Plains zoning districts. The purpose of the Sustainable Use Neighborhood district is to promote the development of neighborhoods that emphasize high-density, mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented, and diverse urban environments.

**SWAT** SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS

**SWMP** STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

**SWSI** STATEWIDE WATER SUPPLY INITIATIVE

**TABOR** TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS

A Colorado constitutional amendment which limits revenue and ability to issue debt for all levels of gov-

ernment within the state.

**TANF** TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES

TCHD TRI-COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

TCO TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

**TIF** TAX INCREMENT FINANCING

An urban renewal tool, used with a TIF district, to capture the increment in tax revenues resulting from

redevelopment projects.

TIP TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) identifies the priority federally funded highway, transit and alternative mode transportation (trails) improvements completed by the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) and other local government sponsors. The TIP is prepared by the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG), in cooperation with CDOT, and the local implementing agency (the

City).

TOD TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT

Moderate to higher density development, located within an easy walk (approximately 1/2 mile) of a major transit stop, and containing a mix of residential, employment and shopping opportunities designed for

pedestrians without excluding the automobile.

**TOSA** THE OTHER SIDE ARTS

T-REX COLORADO TRANSPORTATION EXPANSION PROJECT

Colorado Transportation EXpansion Project. Widened major interstate highway I-25 and expanded light

rail lines to reduce traffic congestion and improve transportation in the metropolitan area.

# TRIPLE I OR INNOVATIVE INTERFACES INCORPORATED

The company that develops, maintains, and provides the Library's integrated system (AKA Millennium)

TRO TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

**UBC** UNIFORM BUILDING CODE

**UCHSC** UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

**UDFCD** URBAN DRAINAGE AND FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

A state-created district responsible for coordinating multi-jurisdictional drainage and flood control plan-

ning in the metropolitan region, including Aurora.

**UFC** UNIFORM FIRE CODE

**ULMD** URBAN LEAGUE OF METRO DENVER

**UNCC** UTILITY NOTIFICATION CENTER OF COLORADO

# **UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE**

Undesignated fund balance includes those portions of total funds available that can be spent for any

purpose.

UNIFORM RELOCATION ACT (and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970)

URA URBAN RENEWAL AREA

#### **URBAN RENEWAL**

Urban renewal is the process of revitalizing a blighted urban area through large scale redevelopment or through new development.

**USACE** U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

**USAR** URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE

**USFWS** U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE

**USGA** UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION

**USGBC** UNITED STATES GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL

**USGS** UNITED STATES GEOLOGIC SURVEY

VA VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION

#### **VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED**

A measure of the extent of motor vehicle operation; the total number of vehicle miles traveled within a specific geographic area over a given period of time.

VIN VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

**VOA** VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA

**VSU** VICTIM SERVICES UNIT

# WATER INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUPPLY EFFICIENCY

An intergovernmental agreement between Denver Water, Aurora Water and the South Metro Water Supply Authority regarding acquisition of water rights and infrastructure for a joint water supply project.

# **WEED AND SEED PROGRAM**

A U.S. Department of Justice program that makes a specific area of Original Aurora eligible for technical assistance and a variety of community development resources.

WISE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE AND SUPPLY EFFICIENCY

WORLD CAT Catalog developed by OCLC that contains the largest collection of library records in the world. ILLre-

quests are made through this catalog.

**WPC** WATER POLICY COMMITTEE

**WQCC** WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION

**XERISCAPE** A landscaping method that employs drought-resistant plants in an effort to conserve resources, espe-

cially water, as an alternative to Bluegrass and other water-intensive landscape materials.

#### **ZONE DISTRICT**

Zone district means a specifically delineated area or district in the city within which uniform regulations and requirements govern the use, placement, spacing, and the size of land and buildings.