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Colorado College Invites Public Input on Multi-Purpose Sporting Event Venue Public Invited to Ed Robson Arena Community Meeting

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (January 3, 2019) . . . Colorado College announces the initiation of the planning and design of a multi-purpose, state-of-the-art sustainable sporting event venue benefitting both the college and the community of Colorado Springs as the new home of the CC Tigers Hockey Team.

The public is invited to the first in a series of community meetings and workshops for the planning and design phase of Robson Arena:

Date: Saturday, January 5, 2019

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 12 noon.

Location: Cornerstone Arts Center, 825 N. Cascade Ave.

Parking: Parking for the meeting is available at several areas within the campus as well as on-street. (Lots include: Cornerstone Arts Center, Armstrong Hall, Southeast Tejon, Wooglin's Cafe, Central Services, 3D Arts Building, Dale Street and Numismatic Museum (north side). (Parking map is attached)

Note: Anyone requiring ADA-specific accommodations to participate should call (719) 492-4735 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to coordinate any special needs.

To assist in the planning and design process, the college has engaged a multi-disciplinary team of architects, planners, civil and traffic engineers, public engagement facilitators, and landscape architects. The public process will assure the team receives input and feedback from the community on topics such as traffic, parking, the fan experience, building specifics, season ticket

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program, and other important aspects of the arena's implementation. A series of community meetings and workshops will take place on Saturdays to enable maximum participation.

Construction of the Robson Arena is expected to begin with groundbreaking in 2019 and has a projected opening date of 2021. Activities on the site in 2019 include demolition, utility relocations, and other activities necessary to prepare the site for construction.

As part of the City for Champions (C4C) initiative, the new Robson Arena is one of two Colorado Springs downtown sports venues in close proximity to the U.S. Olympic Museum — one outdoor and one indoor — with technological features coveted by competitive athletes. The two sports venues further solidify the city's vision as Olympic City USA, providing unique venues to host the growing momentum of a strong and vibrant tourism industry. The Colorado College campus arena, named for Edward J. Robson, a 1954 CC graduate and former member of the hockey team, is the multi-purpose indoor on-campus competition arena. The outdoor stadium, in collaboration with the Switchbacks, Colorado Springs professional soccer team and a member of the United Soccer League, is proposed for the south end of downtown Colorado Springs.

Funding for the approximately \$39 million Robson Arena comes from a lead gift by Edward J. Robson and other private donations, totaling nearly \$21 million to date, and through the C4C initiative awarded to the city through the state's Regional Tourism Act. For additional information, visit <http://www.coloradocollege.edu/robsonarena>

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