HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT

September 21, 2023 - Brockett, Yates, Winer and Speer approved new regulations to allow increased density and promote construction of smaller homes, including allowing duplexes and triplexes in single-family neighborhoods if current density regulations are followed.

September 7, 2023 - (informal vote) Brockett, Yates and Speer did not support moving forward with changes to middle-income affordable housing rules, because of tradeoff in affordable rentals that might occur

Winer wanted to move forward with staff's recommended changes

August 17, 2023 - Brockett, Speer voted to raise occupancy limits (rules on how many unrelated adults can live together) to five people per household citywide.

- Yates, Winer opposed

May 1, 2023 — Yates, Brockett, Winer, Speer voted to ease rules for ADUs, allowing more and bigger dwellings

April 20, 2023 — (Informal vote) Yates, Winer did not support endorsing SB213, (failed) state legislation to require cities of a certain size to allow more housing (overriding local control of land use)

- Speer, Brockett supported

December 15, 2022 — Yates, Brockett, Winer, Speer voted to annex 6500 Arapahoe, owned by BVSD, for eventual use as a modular home factory

May 17, 2022 — Yates, Brockett, Winer, Speer voted to approve the East Boulder Subcommunity Plan, which includes allowances for 5,000 more housing units

Oct. 12, 2021 — Yates, Brockett supported plans for development of Alpine-Balsam

Oct. 19, 2021 — Yates, Brockett voted to amend open space requirements at Diagonal Plaza, to allow for more housing units

September 21, 2021 — Brockett voted to approve annexation of CU South, allowing development of a southern campus in exchange for land on which to build flood mitigation

- Yates recused

May 18, 2021— Yates and Brockett voted to allow conversion of Marpa House from group living quarters to 16 three-bedroom dwellings

April 20, 2021 — Yates and Brockett supported adding Diagonal Plaza and the Ball Aerospace campus to the list of places where buildings can be built up to (but not exceeding) the citywide height limit of 55 feet (additional, lower limits are imposed on most of the city)

February 16, 2021 — Yates and Brockett supported rules for the sale and maintenance of mobile homes to protect residents

Jan. 5 and Jan. 19, 2021 — Yates and Brockett approved the redevelopment of Macy's on the Twenty Ninth Street Mall into offices

Sept. 15, 2020 — Brockett voted to suspend enforcement of occupancy limits (rules on how many unrelated adults can live together) during the COVID-19 pandemic Yates opposed

Sept. 1, 2020 — Brockett and Yates voted to place on the ballot a fee on rental units, to fund rental assistance and provide legal representation to renters facing eviction. Initially a citizen petition, this measure was replaced by a council-proposed initiative.

Brockett and Yates voted to pass a number of protections for mobile home residents, including requirements for landlords to clearly communicate and post certain information.

HOMELESSNESS

Oct. 5, 2023 — (Informal vote) Brockett, Speer and Wine supported establishing a sanctioned campground, tiny home village or other "safe outdoor space" for people experiencing homelessness

- Yates opposed

July 20, 2021 — Yates and Brockett voted to pass a ban on the use of tents on public property

June 1, 2021 — Yates voted to add \$2.7M in new spending to the budget, for an encampment removal strategy that included an in–house removal team, downtown ambassador program, urban park rangers and a police unit specifically dedicated to encampment removal

- Brockett voted against

July 7, 2020 — Yates supported amending the city's laws around the parking of overnight vehicles, making it illegal for mobile homes, commercial vehicles and trailers to be parked overnight on city streets (It was already illegal for people to live in vehicles anywhere in the city; this made it easier to ticket folks living in mobile homes in the city)

- Brockett absent

January 21, 2020 — Brockett and Yates voted to open winter sheltering every night during the season (previously, it was open only under certain weather circumstances) in exchange for the closing of an additional facility, cutting the number of available shelter beds in half.

Sept. 7, 2023 — Winer, Brockett, Yates and Speer voted to approve the "Reimaging Policing" plan

June 22, 2023 — Brockett, Speer and Winer voted to impose a moratorium on review of new complaints by the Police Oversight Panel, providing legal cover for their work stoppage

Yates opposed

May 1, 2023 — Yates, Winer voted to remove Lisa Sweeney-Miran from the Police Oversight Panel

Speer voted against

January 26, 2023 — Brockett and Speer voted to accept the recommendations of a selection committee for new members of the Police Oversight Panel

- Yates, Winer opposed appointment

February 1, 2022 — Yates, Brockett, Winer approved Boulder Police Department entering into an agreement with the FBI, designating an officer to a joint terrorism task force

Speer opposed

Feb. 2, 2021 — Yates, Brockett approved the recommended panelists for the inaugural POP.

Nov. 10, 2020 — Yates, Brockett voted to establish Police Oversight Panel

BUDGET

August 3, 2023 - Winer, Yates, Brockett supported advancing to the voters a ballot measure that would extend a .15% sales tax, splitting the revenue evenly between the city's general fund and arts/culture programming

Speer opposed, preferring to advance two or three separate ballot measures to voters: one in which all revenue continues to go to the general fund, one in which all monies went to arts and culture (the result of a successful petition initiative) and a third with the 50/50 split compromise. Her reasoning was that not enough community groups had been consulted (the Human Relations Commission, community connectors, EFAA, etc.) who could also benefit from additional funding.

October 6, 2022 — Yates, Brockett, Winer voted to approve 2023 recommended budget

- Speer objected to the expansion of the city's encampment removal pilot program

(Informal vote) Yates, Brockett, Winer, Speer voted to exempt menstrual products and diapers from sales tax

July 14, 2022 — Brockett and Speer voted to endorse the ballot measure creating a library district, to be funded by a dedicated property tax

- Winer and Yates did not support endorsing the library district ballot measure

October 19, 2021 — Yates, Brockett voted to approve the 2022 proposed budget

October 12, 2021 — Yates, Brockett voted to accept the facilities master plan, which calls for (among other things) an increase in spending on maintenance as well as the eventual consolidation of city buildings into two campuses (east and west) at an estimated cost of more than \$300 million (Aug. 10 discussion with figures)

Oct. 20, 2020 — Yates, Brockett voted to approve the proposed 2021 spending plan

Sept. 1, 2020 — Brockett and Yates voted to place on the ballot an extension of the utility occupation tax, with funds to be redirected toward working on shared projects in partnership with Xcel Energy

April 28, 2020 — Yates and Brockett voted to create a financial strategy subcommittee of council members, to assess and recommend action on the city's long-term financial health

TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING

October 26, 2021 — Yates, Brockett voted to raise prices for the neighborhood parking permit program and fees for parking tickets

Sept. 15, 2020 — Brockett voted to allow e-scooters in a limited area of East Boulder - Yates opposed

April 7, 2020 — Brockett and Yates voted to extend a temporary ban on e-scooters

July 7, 2020 — Yates voted to allow dockless bike sharing companies to operate in Boulder
- Brockett absent

May 19, 2020 — Yates and Brockett voted to lower speed limits on residential streets to 20 mph from 25 mph

ELECTIONS/DEMOCRACY

Sept. 1, 2020 — Brockett and Yates voted to place on the ballot a proposed settlement with Xcel Energy to end the city's efforts to take over the utility (voters approved the settlement)

August 18, 2020 — Brockett and Yates voted to place on the ballot a measure to directly elect Boulder's mayor using ranked choice voting. Initially a citizen petition, this measure was replaced by a council-proposed initiative after the petition, following legal advice from the city, failed to secure enough signatures to be placed on the ballot. Council raised the amount of signatures required during the petitioning period, citing an error in its own laws and legal advice that conflicted with state law.

July 21, 2020 — Yates voted to adopt new, higher signature requirements for certain citizen petitions (an interpretation of the city's own laws) effectively disqualifying two petitions whose campaigns followed city guidance stating fewer signatures were needed. Council placed one motion (direct election of mayor) on the ballot itself, but Yates voted against advancing the other campaign (Bedrooms Are For People, amending occupancy limits) on the ballot (also May 12 vote)

Brockett opposed this interpretation of city law and supported placing both campaigns on the ballot

April 21, 2020 — Brockett voted to allow temporary, online gathering of petition signatures during the COVID-19 pandemic (while the city's official online petitioning system was still in development)

Yates opposed

QUALITY OF LIFE

Aug. 24, 2023 - (Informal vote) Winer, Yates informally voted not to accelerate work on pursuing a higher minimum wage, continuing the planned implementation timeline of Jan. 1, 2025, rather than joining Boulder County in pursuing a wage increase on Jan. 1, 2024.

- Brockett, Speer voted to implement a higher minimum wage on Jan. 1, 2024, rather than the initial planned timeline of Jan. 1, 2025

February 16, 2023 — Winer, Brockett, Yates voted to strengthen "nuisance" ordinances — laws on things like weeds, trash and noise, reforms largely aimed at reducing conflicts with students and homeowners on University Hill (though the laws apply citywide

Speer voted against

September 1, 2022 — Yates, Brockett, Winer voted to expand Boulder's noise ordinances to daytime hours

Speer opposed

PARKS AND OPEN SPACE

Oct. 5, 2023 — Yates, Brockett, Winer and Speer voted to continue lethal control of prairie dogs and allow burrows to be disturbed up to 12 inches in depth by certain plowing techniques. Previously, disturbance was allowed up to six inches.

June 15, 2023 — Yates, Brockett, Winer and Speer voted to accept the recommendations of the Open Space Board of Trustees to remove member Caroline Miller for non-attendance

June 1, 2023 — Yates, Brockett, Winer, Speer voted to allow e-bikes on certain open space trails

November 9, 2021— Yates, Brockett approved allowing restaurants as a limited use in regional parks. (There are three: Flatirons Golf Course, Boulder Reservoir and Valmont City Park.)

Aug. 18, 2020 — Yates and Brockett voted to allow limited use of lethal control for management of prairie dog populations on city open space land used for agriculture (also Aug. 11)

FLOOD MITIGATION

May 18, 2023 — Yates, Brockett, Winer, Speer voted to approve the Upper Goose and Twomile Canyon Creeks flood mitigation plans

September 21, 2021 — Brockett voted to approve annexation of CU South, allowing development of a southern campus in exchange for land on which to build flood mitigation

Yates recused

RACIAL EQUITY

December 17, 2019 — Brockett and Yates voted to adopt a racial equity plan

July 21, 2020 — (Informal vote) Brockett and Yates supported renaming of the municipal building after Boulder's first and only Black mayor, Penfield Tate II

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

June 21, 2022 — Yates and Winer voted to support extending the historic landmark of the Bandshell to include the entire park

- Brockett, Speer opposed (motion failed)

GUN CONTROL

June 7, 2022 — Yates, Brockett, Winer, Speer voted to approve a suite of gun control legislation, including raising the age of purchase from 18 to 21, banning assault weapons, etc.

LIBRARY DISTRICT

Sept. 1, 2020 — Yates and Brockett voted to direct staff to create an ordinance which would form a library district via resolution