

THORNTONFEST ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

June 22, 2026

As part of ThorntonFest, City staff hosted a tent with information about the York at 144th and North Thornton at CO 7 Station Area Master Plans (STAMPs). Additionally, staff had a few activity boards to get the public’s input. Participants were invited to place sticky notes directly on a map and identify the most important considerations for planning around the future N Line stations. The activities sought input on desired amenities, transportation improvements, community assets to preserve, and ideas for creating vibrant station-area destinations that reflect community values and priorities.

Comments on the station areas visioning map included the following:

Pedestrian connections between RTD stations at Hwy 7 and future BRT stations.	More Parks
Shuttle to Larkridge	Connections to nearby stores
Area already has good commercial, maybe high-end commercial could be good. Best for planners to decide.	Transportation access (RTD) for Ward 1 to Larkridge and Orchard
Shuttle between existing N Line stations and Amazon distribution center warehouse	Ticket paying stations at the RTD stations often don’t work. RTD should fix those to ensure they get revenue.
Bike trail along old train tracks	Good working trails
Trails to parks	More trails
No busses	Water parks near landmarks
Would like to see parks. However, concern with increasing number of unhoused people behind 104 th station in the open space.	E-W connections to fairgrounds and other transit connections.
Better connection, times between RTD and train at 104 th and Colorado both areas sometimes have to wait 1 hr for next bus.	Around stations need trash cans and water bottle fill stations. Gets got waiting for trains.
Having places to go and get off the train to shop or eat, have fun would be great.	Gardens with flower to improve aesthetics

Many more people would ride the train if RTD monitored homelessness and who gets on the train. Many people don't feel safe on the train so don't take it.	More walking, less driving
More downtown	Bike repair stations with tools and pump and charging stations.
Don't take the trains due to safety/crime. Need safety officers funded not marketing.	