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GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, MAY 6, 2019

PRE-MEETING (DINNER) 5:00 P.M. ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE ROOM WORKSHOP, 5:30 P.M. CITY HALL AUDITORIUM 250 N. 5TH STREET

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1. Discussion Topics

- a. Interstate 70 Business Loop Update
- b. Board and Commission Assignments for City Council
- 2. Next Workshop Topics
- 3. Other Business

What is the purpose of a Workshop?

The purpose of a Workshop is for the presenter to provide information to City Council about an item or topic that they may be discussing at a future meeting. The less formal setting of a Workshop is intended to facilitate an interactive discussion among Councilmembers.

How can I provide my input about a topic on tonight's Workshop agenda? Individuals wishing to provide input about Workshop topics can:

1. Send an email (addresses found here <u>www.gjcity.org/city-government/</u>) or call one or more members of City Council (970-244-1504);

2. Provide information to the City Manager (<u>citymanager@gjcity.org</u>) for dissemination to the City Council. If your information is submitted prior to 3 p.m. on the date of the Workshop, copies will be provided to Council that evening. Information provided after 3 p.m. will be disseminated the next business day.

3. Attend a Regular Council Meeting (generally held the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 6 p.m. at City Hall) and provide comments during "Citizen Comments."



Grand Junction City Council

Workshop Session

Item #1.a.

Meeting Date: May 6, 2019

Presented By: Trent Prall, Public Works Director

Department: Public Works - Engineering

Submitted By: Trent Prall, Public Works Director

Information

SUBJECT:

Interstate 70 Business Loop Update

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

CDOT representatives will review proposed corridor improvements, funding status, and schedule.

BACKGROUND OR DETAILED INFORMATION:

CDOT has been working on the expansion of the I-70B corridor from 24 Road to 15th Street since 2008. The first four phases of improvements have been completed from 24 Road to American Way.

Phase 5 is proposed to improve the intersection of 1st and Grand, west to Mulberry Street, east to 2nd Street, and south to White Ave. Funding for this phase appears to be in place for 2021 construction start. CDOT will be scheduling public meetings to discuss the project later this year.

Phase 6 would reconstruct the corridor from White Ave south to 5th Street and while CDOT has not secured funding for this phase, staff will discuss the design to date.

As a followup to the March 4, 2019 workshop, this meeting is intended to update and inform the new Council on the project and various parameters driving the proposed design.

Some groups as well as individuals are concerned with the urban six lane section proposed by CDOT including the Downtown Development Authority and the Urban

Trails Committee. The Urban Trails Committee has provided a position statement (see attached). The group prefers a five lane design that more aligns with the New Mobility West concept plan developed in 2015.

Traffic projections, alignment "footprint", and particular design elements will be reviewed along with budget and schedule for the various phases.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

SUGGESTED ACTION:

None.

Attachments

1. UTC NMW I70B letter



April 9, 2019

RE: Urban Trails Committee (UTC) support for the New Mobility West (NMW) concept plan for the I-70B corridor through downtown

Dear City Council:

The purpose of the Urban Trails Committee (UTC) is to plan and promote the City Council's goals for an interconnected network of sidewalks, paths and routes for active transportation and recreation throughout the Grand Junction urbanized area. The UTC acts in an advisory capacity to the Grand Junction City Council on matters pertaining to safe, convenient and efficient movement of pedestrians and bicyclists of all ages and abilities through the community.

As plans for I-70B corridor through downtown have reemerged, UTC was recently presented with the New Mobility West (NMW) concept plan as well as the Colorado Department of Transportation's plan for the corridor. Of the two proposals, UTC supports the vision for the corridor established in the 2015 NMW concept plan. The NMW concept plan better aligns with the goals and objectives of the UTC Strategic Plan, as well as other plans adopted by the City of Grand Junction, such as the Comprehensive Plan, Greater Downtown Plan, the Circulation Plan, and the Complete Streets Policy, all of which envision a downtown environment that promotes active living by accommodating the needs of pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders, as well as motorists. More specifically, UTC supports the NMW plan for the following reasons:

- the CDOT plan for six-lanes is inappropriate for the urban context of downtown, especially considering that most of the Central Business District's streets are only two-lane sections;
- the NMW plan provides a better balance for traffic flow, local access, livability, and connectivity in the downtown area;
- the NMW plan improves connectivity through downtown to the residential areas, train depot, the Riverfront and the West Main bicycle/pedestrian bridge; and
- the NMW plan provides better access for all modes of transportation while being sensitive to the character of downtown.

UTC respects the need to accommodate current and anticipated automobile traffic volumes, however the needs of motorists must be balanced with the needs of other modes, especially in a downtown context. The NMW I-70B concept plan, which proposes a 4-lane roadway, strikes a balance between the needs of all modes by creating pedestrian and bike connections to downtown while still efficiently moving automobiles. These bicycle and pedestrian connections provide a critical link from downtown to the Riverfront Trail and beyond.

The UTC has reviewed the matter carefully and fully supports the vision for the I-70B corridor through downtown established by the 2015 New Mobility West concept plan.



Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Orin Zyvan Chair, Urban Trails Committee



Grand Junction City Council

Workshop Session

Item #1.b.

Meeting Date: May 6, 2019

Presented By: Wanda Winkelmann, City Clerk

Department: City Clerk

Submitted By: Wanda Winkelmann

Information

SUBJECT:

Board and Commission Assignments for City Council

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Each year, the City Council reviews and determines who on the City Council will represent the City Council on various boards, committees, commissions, authorities, and organizations.

BACKGROUND OR DETAILED INFORMATION:

The City Council assigns its members to represent the governing body on a variety of Council appointed boards, committees, and commissions, as well as a number of outside organizations.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Determine who will serve on each board, commission, or authority as the Council representative and direct staff to bring forward a resolution for formal action on May 15, 2019.

Attachments

1. 2019-2020 Assignments to Boards and Commissions Worksheet

CITY COUNCIL FORMAL ASSIGNMENT WORKSHEET 2019/2020

Poord/Organization	External Agencies				
Board/Organization	Meeting Day/Time/Place	2018/2019 Assignments/Number of Years Served	2019/2020 Assignments		
Avalon Theatre Committee*	Third Thursday at 8:00 a.m.	Bennett Boeschenstein - 6 years	NA		
Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado (AGNC)	3rd Wednesday of each month @ 9:00 am different municipalities	Duncan McArthur – 2 years			
Colorado Municipal League Legislative Liaison	CML Office	Duncan McArthur – 2 years			
Colorado Water Congress	Meets 3-4 times a year in Denver	Duncan McArthur - 4 years			
Downtown Development Authority/Downtown BID	2 nd and 4 th Thursdays @ 7:30 am @ DDA Offices, 437 Colorado, BID board meets monthly 2 nd Thursday	Phyllis Norris – 2 years			
5-2-1 Drainage Authority	Meets quarterly, generally the 4 th Wednesday of month at 3:00 p.m. in Old Courthouse in Training Rm B	Duncan McArthur – 6 years			
Grand Junction Economic Partnership	3rd Wednesday of every month @ 7:30 am @ GJEP offices, 122 N. 6 th Street	Chris Kennedy – 2 years			
Grand Junction Housing Authority	4 th Monday @ 5:00 pm @ GJHA Offices at 8 Foresight Circle	Phyllis Norris- 2 years			
Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority	Usually 3 rd Tuesday @ 5:15 pm @ the Airport Terminal Building (workshops held the 1 st Tuesday)	Rick Taggart – 4 years			
Grand Valley Regional Transportation Committee (GVRTC)	4 th Monday every other month @ 3:00 pm @ GVT Offices, 525 S. 6 th St., 2 nd Floor	Bennett Boeschenstein – 2 years			

Homeless Coalition	Meets on the 3 rd Thursday of the month at 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Hospital, 5 th Floor, Saccomanno Room 3	Duncan McArthur – 3 years Bennett Boeschenstein – 3 years	
Horizon Drive Association Bus. Improvement Dist*	3rd Wednesday of each month at 10:30 a.m.	Bennett Boeschenstein – 1 year	NA
Las Colonias Development Corporation	Meets as needed and scheduled	Phyllis Norris – 1+ years	
Mesa County Separator Project Board (PDR)	Quarterly @ Mesa Land Trust, 1006 Main Street	Barbara Traylor Smith – 2 years	Mayoral Assignment
One Riverfront	3rd Tuesday of every other month @ 5:30 p.m. in Training Room A, Old Courthouse	Duke Wortmann – 2 years	

Internal Boards

* = No Council representative required or assigned - City Council either makes or ratifies appointments - may or may not interview dependent on particular board

Board Name	Meeting Day/Time/Place	2018/2019 Assignments/Number of Years Served	2019/2020 Assignments
Commission on Arts and Culture*	4 th Wednesday of each month at 4:00 p.m.	Bennett Boeschenstein – 3 years	NA
Forestry Board*	First Thursday of each month at 8:00 a.m.	NA	NA
Historic Preservation Board*	1 st Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m.	Bennett Boeschenstein – 3 years	NA
Orchard Mesa Pool Board	Meets twice a year at 8:00 a.m. at a designated location.	Duke Wortmann – 2 years	
Parks Improvement Advisory Board (PIAB)	Quarterly, 1 st Tuesday @ noon @ various locations (usually Hospitality Suite)	Barbara Traylor Smith – 2 years as alternate, 4 years as primary Alternate – Duke Wortmann – 2 years	
Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee	1 st Thursday @ noon @ various locations (usually at Parks Administration Offices)	Duke Wortmann – 2 years	

Persigo Board (All City and County Elected)	Annually and as needed	All	All
Planning Commission*	2 nd and 4 th Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.	NA	NA
Property Committee	Meets as needed and scheduled	Barbara Traylor Smith - 5 years Phyllis Norris – 1 year	
Riverview Technology Corporation*	Annual meeting in January	Bennett Boeschenstein – 3 years	NA
Urban Trails Committee*	2 nd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.	Bennett Boeschenstein – 3 years	NA
Visit Grand Junction*	2 nd Tuesday of each month at 3:00 p.m.	Phyllis Norris – 3 years	NA
Zoning Code Board of Appeals*	As needed	NA	NA