

**CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION
DOS RIOS GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

September 4, 2019

Call to Order

The Board of Directors of the City of Grand Junction Dos Rios General Improvement District convened into regular session on the 4th day of September, 2019 at 9:05 p.m. Those present were Board members Kraig Andrews, Chuck McDaniel, Phyllis Norris, Phillip Pe'a, Anna Stout, Duke Wortmann, and Board Chair Rick Taggart.

Also present were City Manager Greg Caton, City Attorney John Shaver, District Secretary Wanda Winkelmann, Treasurer Jodi Romero, Director of General Services Jay Valentine, Public Works Director Trent Prall, Deputy City Attorney Jamie Beard. Kathryn Winn of Collins Cockrel and Cole participated by telephone.

Board Chair Taggart called the meeting to order.

Citizen Comments

There were none.

Disclosures of Potential Conflicts of Interest

Chair Taggart reported that his son-in-law is considering purchasing one of the properties in the District. Chair Taggart previously recused himself from all past discussions about the possible sale and will continue to do so should the topic come before the District Board.

Board member Wortmann stated his nephew worked for underwriter George K. Baum in the past and his employment has since been terminated due to a recent merger with Stifel. Board member Wortmann no longer has a conflict regarding this issue. City Attorney Shaver stated that a topic on the agenda is for the District to consider engaging with underwriter DA Davidson and Mr. Wortmann's potential conflict is noted; however, on the agenda is consideration of retaining DA Davidson.

Oaths of Office

The Boardmembers read and signed their Oaths of Office.

Designation of Officers

Rick Taggart has been designated as Board President, Jodi Romero as Treasurer, and Wanda Winkelmann as District Secretary.

Presentations: Report on Status of District Organization

Ms. Winn stated that the City of Grand Junction Dos Rios General Improvement District has been officially organized via recording of the ordinance adopted by City Council in August.

REGULAR AGENDA

A Resolution Adopting a District Seal

Ms. Winn stated that this resolution adopts the Seal of the District.

Board member Wortmann moved to adopt Resolution No. 1-2019, a resolution adopting a district seal; seconded by Board member Andrews. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

A Resolution Designating the Location for the Posting of the Notice of Meetings, Establishing the 2019 Meeting Schedule, and Establishing the Procedure for Calling of Special Meetings

Ms. Winn reported that this resolution concerns the meeting schedule and posting locations.

Board member Andrews moved to adopt Resolution No. 2-2019, a resolution designating the location for the posting of the notice of meetings, establishing the 2019 meeting schedule, and establishing the procedure for calling of special meetings; seconded by Board member Norris. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

A Resolution Calling a Special Election in the City of Grand Junction Dos Rios General Improvement District

Ms. Winn noted that this resolution calls a special election and sets ballot titles for the mill levy for the District as well as referring debt questions for infrastructure, the authority to enter intergovernmental agreements, and TABOR to the November 5, 2019 ballot.

Discussion ensued regarding the total authorized debt amount. Mr. Valentine noted that the

debt amount is intended to provide sufficient flexibility.

Board member Wortmann moved to adopt Resolution No. 3-2019, a resolution calling a special election in the City of Grand Junction Dos Rios General Improvement District; seconded by Board member Norris. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

A Resolution Designating the Official Custodian of Records and Adopting a Policy on Responding to Open Records Requests

Ms. Winn explained that this resolution designates the custodian of the District's records and adopts a policy for responding to record requests.

Board member Stout moved to adopt Resolution No. 4-2019, a resolution designating the Official custodian of records and adopting a policy on responding to open records requests; seconded by Board member Wortmann. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Consider Engagement of Collins Cockrel & Cole as General Legal Counsel

Ms. Winn and City Attorney Shaver noted that this item relates to retaining Ms. Winn's firm, Collins Cockrel & Cole, as general legal counsel to the District.

Discussion ensued about the qualifications of this firm and the fees charged. Mr. Shaver noted that Collins Cockrel & Cole are by reputation considered experts in the field of special districts and their fees are comparable with those charged by other firms.

Board member Pe'a moved to authorize the City of Grand Junction Dos Rios Board of Directors to contract with Collins Cockrel & Cole as General Legal Counsel; seconded by Board member Wortmann. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Consider Engagement of Butler Snow as Special Legal Counsel

Ms. Winn and City Attorney Shaver stated that this item relates to retaining Butler Snow as special counsel regarding debt financing and TABOR matters.

Discussion ensued about the qualifications of this firm and the fees charged. Mr. Shaver has worked with Butler Snow on prior legal matters, noted their expertise in this field, and stated the firm has offered a discounted fee to the District.

Board member Wortmann moved to authorize the City of Grand Junction Dos Rios Board of Directors to contract with Butler Snow as Special Legal Counsel; seconded by Board member Norris. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Consider Engagement of Underwriter

Ms. Winn and City Attorney Shaver explained that this item engages D.A. Davidson as the underwriter for the debt issuance.

Board member Wortmann moved to authorize the City of Grand Junction Dos Rios Board of Directors to contract with D.A. Davidson & Co. as Underwriter; seconded by Board member Stout. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Other Business

There was none.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Wanda Winkelmann
District Secretary