

Gateway to Grand Junction

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting of the Horizon Drive Business Improvement District

June 19, 2013

Horizon Drive District Conference Room 2764 Compass Drive #205, Grand Junction, CO 81506 10:30am to 12:30pm

Attendance:

Clark Atkinson Chuck Keller Bill Milius Jay Moss Jan Rohr, by phone

Others:

Vara Kusal, HDD manager Phyllis Norris, Grand Junction City Council Trenton Prall, Engineering Manager, City of Grand Junction Ted Ciavonne, Ciavonne, Roberts & Associates, Inc. Louis Buescher, Horizon Drive property owner Jere Woldruff, commercial real estate broker Darshann Ruckman, District business representative

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:35 am by Chuck Keller. Meeting was recorded. A quorum of board members was present.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda, consisting of emailed documents (Minutes of Board Meeting of May 15, 2013; Treasurer's Report of May, 2013; Manager's Report June, 2013; were received by all board members. Approval of the entire consent agenda was moved by Jay Moss, seconded by Bill Milius and unanimously passed.

Lightening Round: Chuck requested each person present give a short comment or update on the District and related matters.

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Discussion and Action Items from Prior Meetings:

<u>Corridor Improvement Plan (CIP) Update.</u> Trent Prall, Engineering Manager for the City of Grand Junction, reported that the HDD application for Responsible Acceleration of Maintenance and Partnerships (RAMP) grant funds made the first cut, allowing submittal of a more detailed application by July 1, 2013. The state transportation board will be looking at the detailed applications in September, and we should hear shortly thereafter if grant money will be awarded for Phase I of the CIP (I-70 / Horizon Interchange). There is a geographic component to disbursement of the funds; since CDOT denied the 29 Road Project (reason stated for ineligibility was "Cannot be constructed by 2017"), the Horizon Drive Project chances are looking optimistic.

<u>Outreach.</u> Ted Ciavonne and Trent Prall gave updates on the meetings with property owners. All involved felt the meetings had been very encouraging overall. Meetings have been held with owners or general managers of: DoubleTree, Burger King, Century 21, Country Inn, Ramada Inn, and LOCO. Board members signed up to cover future meetings, and we appear to be on track to complete most of these individual meetings by the July board meeting as planned.

New Business:

<u>I-70 Horizon Ramp Beautification.</u> Ted Ciavonne presented three rough concepts for the board to consider, with varying ratios of rock to greenery. A discussion followed comparing the initial cost of materials, future maintenance costs and difficulty of maintaining, how much greenery is needed to communicate "oasis", how other desert cities balance attractive landscaping with water conservation, etc. It was decided to continue the discussion at the next board meeting in July.

<u>Newsletter</u>. The board members have reviewed the first issue of the new quarterly newsletter, and it will be sent out via email and as a downloadable pdf file from our website. The first issue of "It's Happening on Horizon" is Summer, 2013 with issues to follow in Fall, Winter, and Spring.

<u>Next meeting.</u> The next meeting of the Horizon Drive District Board of Directors will be July 17, 2013 at 10:30 a.m.

Adjournment:

All business before the Board being concluded, and with thanks to all, the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

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By: _____ Jan Rohr, Secretary Date: _____