

GRAND JUNCTION DOWNTOWN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2026
750 MAIN STREET-GROWL CONFERENCE ROOM & VITRUAL OPTION
7:30 AM

Board Members present: Libby Olson (Chair), Garrett Portra (Vice-Chair), Dustin Anzures, Jeremy Arthur, Cole Hanson (via Zoom), Karli Hyland (via Zoom), Afton Neal, City Council Representative Ben Van Dyke (via Zoom)

Board Members absent: Steven Boyd

Downtown Grand Junction staff present: Brandon Stam, Vonda Bauer, Dave Goe, Sarah Dishong (via Zoom)

Other: Northland Securities, Inc Financial Advisor Troy Bernberg (representing the DDA)-via Zoom

City of Grand Junction staff present: Interim City Attorney Jeremiah Boies

CALL TO ORDER: Libby called the meeting to order at 7:34 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes:

Meeting on May 28, 2026

Garrett made a motion to approve the minutes of May 28, 2026, Grand Junction Downtown Improvement District Board meeting. Afton seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

Libby welcomed new board member Jeremy Arthur. Jeremy introduced himself stating he was a resident of Downtown and a manager at BIN 707.

Brandon explained that Faith resigned from the board due to a variety of reasons, so Steve Boyd was appointed to fill the remainder of her term.

UPDATES

UPCOMING EVENTS

Brandon shared that Jed is out sick, so he provided the update.

The 4th of July parade is scheduled for Saturday at 10:00 a.m.

Brandon provided an update on Market on Main and the new Farm to Tap initiative. This year's Market on Main tote bag celebrates Colorado's 150th anniversary. The design was created and donated by Colorado Cool, with the bags being screen printed locally and distributed free of charge at the market.

The new Farm to Tap Initiative features a custom logo of a chicken with a hop and the tagline, "Support Social, Hydrate Locally." Reusable cups, displaying Farm to Tap branding on one side and Rhythm & Brews information on the other, will be provided to participating vendors and will serve as the only approved containers for purchasing and consuming alcoholic beverages during the market.

The Farm to Tap participants have been finalized. Participants located outside the event footprint will be accommodated with booth space within the market. Farm to Tap will take place on the last Thursday of each month during Market on Main, with the final event in September coinciding with the Rhythm & Brews Concert Series, sponsored by Bray & Co.

Planning is also underway for additional activities during Art Festival. Staff are working with Eli at Ramblebine Brewing Company to organize a downtown beer festival featuring breweries from across the state, potentially located in the 600 block during the first weekend in October during the Art Festival.

Additionally, Dave has been coordinating with the Porchella organizers to incorporate performances into Downtown and explore opportunities for Downtown businesses to host porch performances. The goal is to align Porchella activities with Art Festival, as both events occur on the same day.

BID EVENT POLICY

Brandon reported that he, Garrett, Libby, and Jeremiah met with the Sports Commission executive team to discuss permitting, event operations, and expectations for future downtown events. The discussion focused on safety, trash, and other operational concerns identified during recent events.

Staff will update the BID event policies to better reflect the unique requirements of hosting events in the downtown environment, rather than mirroring the City's general event policies. The Board also supported moving application and information deadlines earlier to allow adequate time for review and planning.

The Board discussed the moto event and expressed concerns about having it in the downtown area due to safety concerns related to the limited space and its proximity to businesses and pedestrians. Alternative locations, including Las Colonias and the Convention Center parking lot, were suggested as more suitable options.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Garrett made a motion to adjourn. Dustin seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:49 a.m.