



HORIZON DRIVE **District**

Gateway to Grand Junction

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting of the Horizon Drive Business Improvement District

March 19, 2014

Bookcliff Country Club
Monument Room
2730 G Road
10:30am to 12:00pm

Attendance:

Clark Atkinson
Brenda Brock
Chuck Keller
Bill Milius
Jay Moss
Dale Reece

Others:

Bennett Boeschstein, Grand Junction City Council
Trenton Prall, Engineering Manager, City of Grand Junction
Ted Ciavonne, Ciavonne, Roberts & Associates, Inc.
Darshann Ruckman, HDD business representative
Vara Kusal, HDD Manager

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 February 19, 2014; Treasurer's Report of February, 2014; Manager's Report March, 2014) were received by all board members. Approval of the entire consent agenda was moved by Clark Atkinson, seconded by Bill Milius and unanimously passed.

Discussion and Action Items from Prior Meetings:

Corridor Improvement Plan (CIP) Update. Trent gave a summary of progress on the CIP. The comments by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to the Minor Interchange Modification Request (MIMR) have been addressed and the MIMR has been resubmitted to FHWA. This process should come in well under budget. Trent reviewed the owner meetings with Taco Bell and Super 8 and the progress made in those meetings.

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Attorney Interviews. Chuck gave details of the attorney interviews conducted by the search committee. Hoskin, Farina & Kampf had suggested another attorney in their firm, David Price, might be a better fit for HDD's needs. He has extensive experience with special districts and TABOR law. HF&K proposed a monthly retainer, instead of the current hourly system. Both of the other firms interviewed have clients within the District, which could potentially pose a conflict. The search committee recommended we continue with Hoskin, Farina & Kampf, utilizing David Price and Mike Russell. Chuck will negotiate the monthly retainer.

New Business:

Dale Reece. This was Dale Reece's last board meeting, as he is term limited. The board presented him with a statue of running wild horses to remind him of his contribution to the city's largest art feature, the Horizon Drive tile mosaic at the I-70 interchange. Dale was a founding member of the Horizon Drive Association, which led to the formation of the business improvement district in 2004. After 10 years on the board, Dale claimed to be ready to pass the torch. The work Dale and the other founding members began for the Horizon Drive District continues onward with much gratitude for their vision.

Prospective Board Members. A search committee interviewed all applicants for board positions. Their recommendation is to request both Jay Moss and Brenda Brock be appointed by City Council for another term. There were three excellent candidates for the last open seat, all representatives of the hospitality industry. After lengthy discussion, the committee endorsed Per Nilsson, general manager of the DoubleTree by Hilton. These recommendations will be forwarded to City Council, who will interview all the candidates and appoint their choices in April.

Next meeting. The next meeting will be held on April 16, 2014 at 10:30 a.m.

Adjournment:

All business before the Board being concluded, and with thanks to all, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. A celebratory luncheon for Dale Reece was held immediately after the meeting.

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By: _____
Jan Rohr, Secretary

Date: _____