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Board Meeting of the Horizon Drive Business Improvement District

August 11, 2010, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Spoons at Hospice & Palliative Care, Room 101

3090 A North 12th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81506

Attendance:

Clark Atkinson

Chuck Keller

Lynne Sorlye

Brenda Brock

[Board Members absent: Dale Reece, Bill Milius and Jan Rohr]

Others:

Victoria Patsantaras, representative for District

Jarrold Pearson, attorney for District

Debbie Kovalik, City of Grand Junction

Kathy Portner, City of Grand Junction

Tim Moore, City of Grand Junction

Laurie Kadrich, City of Grand Junction

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Clark Atkinson. Minutes were taken by District's representative, Victoria Patsantaras. A quorum (4) of Board Members is present.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda, consisting of the July 14, 2010 minutes, August Treasurer Report and August Representative Report were approved by motion of Chuck Keller, seconded by Lynne Sorlye and unanimously approved.

Routine Business: Clark Atkinson advised the Board members present that, upon consideration of the budget and other matters and after polling the Board, he has discontinued Diane Hatfield's work on the minutes. Clark extends his thanks to Diane for her dedication and commitment and requests that a letter of thanks be prepared for the signature of all Board Members and sent to Diane Hatfield.

Inquiry - Overlay. Ms. Patsantaras summarized that the Board approved in July that she prepare an outline/table of contents for an overlay of the Horizon Drive District, subject to time/hour restrictions placed by the Board, and present it by the September meeting. Ms. Patsantaras has reviewed other area zoning overlays for ideas, and is hopeful that she may have a draft ready early, by the August 31, 2010 work session.

Discussion - next invited 'guest' at Board meeting. The Board agrees that the guests should be: Heidi Ham of the Downtown Development Association (September), Rex Tippetts of the Grand Junction Regional Airport (October) and Steve Acquafresca, County Commissioner (November). [The months indicated above are preliminary, and depend upon the guests' availability.]

Inquiry and discussion - Board's willingness and interest in attending meetings of City Council, Airport Authority, Downtown, etc. Clark Atkinson requests Board input on who would like to attend the meetings. Chuck Keller and Victoria Patsantaras verbally respond that they would be interested in attending, as desired by the Board. Debbie Kovalik added that it would be best if the same person attended the meetings. For example, one board member attend Airport Authority, a different board member attend City Council. This will keep a consistent person in the mix for each group. No assignment(s) made.

Discussion - upcoming August 31, 2010 work session agenda. Clark Atkinson requests that all board members review and prepare for the August 31st work session. Specifically the Cobb & Associates proposal distributed in July. Clark requests that a binder be prepared (to include all material to be reviewed and discussed) and distributed to each Board Member prior to the August 31 meeting.

Guest discussion: Laurie Kadrach, Manager of the City of Grand Junction, addressed the Board. Topics of discussion and inquiry included: Ms. Kadrach's background; discussion of City revenues from sale and use tax (including Ms. Kadrach illustrating the changes from 1970 to 2nd quarter 2010 in graph form on the white board); Ms. Kadrach's summary of 2009-2010 job losses and replacement in the area; upcoming legislative / voter considerations and potential impact on local governments, including the HDD; capital projects and services.

Following Ms. Kadrach's presentation, Clark Atkinson provided a summary of the Board's vision and mission and asked for her input, further adding that all in attendance should comment as the group is informal. Ms. Kadrach indicated her agreement with the Board's vision and action items that include: overlay / architectural control; working toward pedestrian safety and traffic calming, as well as aesthetics, by first itemizing goals and having a 'list' of projects ready for funding, as some projects take 5+ years. Mr. Moore added comments about the project from Grand Avenue to the Mesa Mall, and the length of time planning and gaining funding. Discussion also included 'connecting' the District with Downtown and the asset that Ms. Kadrach believes Downtown to be. Ms. Kadrach commends the Board on seeking community involvement (such as Downtown and Airport) and indicates her willingness to work with the Board to further the mutual goals of the District and City.

There being no further business, with thanks to all, the meeting was adjourned by Clark Atkinson at 12:00 noon.

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By: _____

Chuck Keller, Secretary Date: _____