

GRAND JUNCTION DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
BOARD MINUTES  
January 26, 2006  
248 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Grand Junction, CO  
9:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Karen Vogel, Harry Griff, Scott Howard, Peggy Page, Mike Mast, Jim Doody, Bill Wagner, Harold Stalf

ABSENT: PJ McGovern, Doug Simons

CALL TO ORDER: Karen called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

CONFLICT – There is a conflict with the joint City Council/DDA meeting date. The City would like to present a bid to purchase some parking spaces and they will not be ready in time for the joint meeting. The current date is February 23, either breakfast or lunch. Bill Wagner was the only one who cannot make this meeting.

TIF LEGISLATION – Mayor Bruce Hill, Doug Simons and Harold went to Denver on Tuesday to testify along with many other communities. Some are in favor and some are not in favor of the measure. We went in with the city council's endorsement and the county commissioners approval, however, other communities were more divisive over it. Teller and Larimar counties spoke in opposition to the measure. They spoke in support of it with qualifications. Those qualifications are that the special districts and counties would be allowed to approve the extension and that is a very sore subject. Ron Teck was a wonderful advocate in the Senate. Karen and I met with Bernie Buescher and Ron Teck, and Doug and I met with Josh Penry at the capitol. Senator Bacon asked that it be postponed to a later date. This will be wrestled by CCI and CML and we will be dealing with this issue in the future in the Senate. The issue is determining if the county, school district, and library should have the authority to approve the extension or not. We are now back to lobbying and negotiating. Ft. Collins did not prepare for this session. Mesa County was the only one who showed up.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.