

GRAND JUNCTION DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
BOARD MINUTES  
Thursday, February 26, 2009  
248 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Grand Junction, CO  
7:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Scott Howard, Bill Wagner, Harry Griff, Peggy Page, Bonnie Beckstein, Scott Holzschuh, Bill Keith, Steve Thoms

STAFF: Heidi Hoffman Ham, Diane Keliher, Kathy Dirks

GUESTS: Trent Prall, Becky Brehmer, Kirk Granum, Janet Brink, Ted Ciavonne, Rich Englehart

CALL TO ORDER: Steve called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Bill K. made a motion to approve the minutes of February 12; Peggy seconded; minutes were approved.

MAIN STREET PROJECT DISCUSSION – Heidi prepared a summary of the Main Street project with options from the low range to the high range as well as the capital budget as it is approved currently. The DDA would share the cost of this project with the City since there are waterlines to be replaced and storm drainage improvements. There is a meeting scheduled for March 2 with City staff and a City Council meeting that same evening. Ted met with City staff to discuss the need for this project. The planters are a hazard, the water lines were installed in 1959 and electricity was not added in the 600 block. Discussion took place regarding timeline, marketing and public relations. City Council put a freeze on the City budget but this project is fully funded and would stimulate our local economy. Heidi would like direction from the board regarding this project. After discussion, it was decided that now is the time; the mid range option would be reasonable; do a good of public relations/education; and provide an incentive for early completion. The next DDA meeting will be on the 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss the capital improvement budget. Heidi asked the board to be the “eyes and ears” on the street. She will provide feedback from the Council meeting. Harry would like Trent to present the idea of extending the project across First Street.

ADJOURN: Peggy made a motion to adjourn; Bill K. seconded; the Board adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

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