

GRAND JUNCTION DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
BOARD MINUTES  
Thursday, September 23, 2010  
248 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Grand Junction, CO  
7:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Harry Griff, Peggy Page, Bonnie Beckstein, Steve Thoms

ABSENT: Scott Aker, Scott Holzschuh, Kevin Reimer, Bill Keith, PJ McGovern

STAFF: Heidi Hoffman Ham, Diane Keliher

GUESTS: John Shaver, Rich Englehart

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was not called to order due to a lack of quorum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Tabled.

PRESENTATION: CATALYST PROJECT REVIEW – Heidi shared the presentation from the Downtown Colorado, Inc., conference yesterday. Scott A. and Kevin were both able to attend the session.

DIRECTORS' INFORMATION SHARING – Peggy noted that the city and school district have each opposed Amendments 60 and 61 and Proposition 101 on the upcoming ballot. The County remains neutral. After discussing various issues, it was decided that the DDA opposes the amendments and proposition endorses the resolutions of the other entities. John will draft a resolution for consideration at the next board meeting.

Heidi noted that several merchants had asked about using the property at 7<sup>th</sup> and Main as a parking lot during construction. She has spoken with the property owners who may also consider leasing it to the construction company to use for staging. Due to the high cost of improving the lot for a relatively short period of time, as well as liability, it was determined that this should not be pursued. The Partnership will continue to direct people to the parking garage during construction. Heidi will talk to PMAG about the parking garage machine and free holiday parking. She is also working on a promotion for the parking garage.

The real estate committee has made a counter offer on a proposal for the Schiesswohl Building.

PJ and Heidi have met with the representatives from the First Assembly of God since there has been interest in the property as part of the catalyst project. The listing agent is Ben Hill.

Heidi has not gotten a formal response from the Symphony about the Avalon proposal. She will meet with Michael before meeting again with the City and will have more information for the board at that point.

No formal adjournment was needed due to lack of quorum.

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