

Gateway to Grand Junction

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting of the Horizon Drive Business Improvement District

July 15, 2015

Horizon Drive District
Conference Room
2764 Compass Drive #205, Grand Junction, CO 81506
10:30am to 12:30pm

Attendance:

Brenda Brock Chuck Keller Bill Milius Jay Moss Jan Rohr Darshann Ruckman

Others:

Bennett Boeschenstein, Grand Junction City Council Ted Ciavonne, Ciavonne, Roberts & Associates, Inc. Vara Kusal, HDD Manager Trent Prall, Engineering Manager, City of Grand Junction Mike Russell, HDD Attorney

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:31 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 June 17, 2015; Treasurer's Report of June, 2015; Manager's Report July, 2015; Summer 2015 Newsletter) were received by all board members. Approval of the entire consent agenda was moved by Brenda Brock, seconded by Darshann Ruckman, and unanimously passed.

Discussion and Action Items from prior meetings:

Corridor Plan Update: The board reviewed and discussed the proposed Resolution to Approve Participation in the Responsible Acceleration of Maintenance and Partnerships (RAMP) Project. Trent let the board know both bidders on the Phase 1 contract are local companies, as are their subcontractors. Numerous recent large road construction projects, including the diverging diamond interchange, involved contractors from the eastern slope. As much as 70% of the funding for those projects flowed out of town.

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Awarding Phase 1 to a local contractor is a real win in terms of economic development for Grand Junction, as the \$4.6M portion financed by CDOT will be injected directly into our local economy. Jan Rohr made a motion the Resolution be approved. Jay Moss seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.

<u>Design Standards Update:</u> Vara reported on her meeting with Dave Thornton (Principal Planner, City of Grand Junction). Dave made many suggestions and the 2010 design standards draft is being reworked. When the document closer to completion, Dave suggested an open house or meeting with business owners in the District to get feedback. Jay suggested we also get input from focus groups, specifically, gas stations, lodging establishments, and restaurants.

<u>Finances and Grants:</u> This agenda item was included in the board discussion to approve the Resolution to continue support for Phase 1 under the RAMP grant. Additional funds required to cover the difference between the April 2015 cost estimates and the lowest bid submitted by a contractor will be split between the City and HDD. This is contingent on the City loaning HDD \$455,000 to be repaid over 7-8 years. Any additional grants received will go towards repayment of this debt. An IGA (inter-governmental agreement) will be entered into by the City and the District.

New Business:

Bike to Work Day. We had 37 participants at the Horizon Drive Bike to Work Day breakfast, about the same as last year. Rocky Mountain Health Plan held their own breakfast for employees, with 59 participating. The afternoon snow cone event was very popular, and we hope to do it again next year.

<u>Proposed Resolution regarding Records.</u> Mike Russell researched the statutory requirements for instituting a policy to charge a fee should more than one hour of staff time be needed to fulfill a Colorado Open Records Act (CORA) request. He advised the board that simply posting our policy on the District website constitutes adequate legal notice. Chuck made a motion that the CORA policy be posted on the HDD website. Bill Milius seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Mike drafted the language and Vara will post it to the HDD website today.

Next meeting. The next regular meeting will be held on August 19, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.

Adjournment:

All business before the Board being concluded, and with thanks to all, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

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By:	Date:
Jan Rohr, Secretary	2379