

DOWNTOWN GRAND JUNCTION BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
BOARD MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2017
750 MAIN STREET
7:30 A.M.

PRESENT: Kirk Granum (Chair), Duncan Rowley (Vice-Chair), Shane Allerheiligen, Jodi Coleman-Niernberg, Jason Farrington, Dan Meyer, Vance Wagner

ABSENT: Tom LaCroix

STAFF: Vonda Bauer, Allison Blevins, Caitlyn Love, Brandon Stam

CITY STAFF: John Shaver (City Attorney), Greg Caton (City Manager) Jodi Romero (City Finance Director), Bennett Boeschstein (Mayor Pro Tem), Phyllis Norris (City Councilmember), Addison Horst and Dustin Bovee (City Police Officers)

CALL TO ORDER: Kirk called the meeting to order at 7:38 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Meeting of April 13, 2017

Jason made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 13th 2017 meeting; Jodi seconded the motion. Duncan abstained. The minutes were approved.

BUDGET REVIEW:

Allison distributed information regarding the budget and explained that the current budget amounts included a projected sponsorship. The Horizon Rotary will be producing the beer garden this year and the BID will receive a percentage of revenue based on their beer sales as a stage sponsorship.

Allison stated that the DDA previously processed the licensing and permitting for Outdoor Dining Leases, etc, in Downtown, however, the BID has taken over that role. The revenue, which is approximately \$5,000 per year, is not reflected in the current budget totals. The extra revenue may be utilized for additional marketing for downtown.

A budget amendment will be processed to reflect the changes in income and expenses.

JARVIS & LAS COLONIAS PROPERTY BID PETITIONS:

The City of Grand Junction has agreed to petition the Jarvis and Las Colonias properties into the BID, however, the Jarvis petition is not complete at this time. The Ordinance for including Las Colonias into the BID is scheduled for review at the May 17th City Council meeting.

Jodi made a motion to recommend to City Council to approve the BID petition for the Las Colonias property. Vance seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

GRAND JUNCTION OFF-ROAD TOWING:

Duncan made a motion to recommend to City Council to approve towing during the Grand Junction Off-Road & Downtown Music Festival event. Jodi seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

UPDATES:

Outdoor Dining Lease-Twisted Turtle

The Resolution authorizing an Outdoor Dining Lease for Twisted Turtle, located at 436 Main Street, (formally known as Thunderstruck) will be submitted for approval to City Council on Wednesday, May 17, 2017.

Library WIFI

Allison stated that Mesa County Library is in the process of applying for a grant which would help fund free internet for Downtown guests. The service would be limited to 2 hours per person. More information will be available soon.

Events

Caitlyn gave an update regarding events.

Downtown Music Festival-The festival starts Friday, May 19th through Sunday, May 21st. Governor Hickenlooper will be speaking Saturday May 20th, at noon, on the Main Stage in celebration of Colorado Public Lands Day.

Farmers Market-Vendors have been notified regarding the approval or denial of their applications. The musicians will be notified in a couple of weeks.

Parking and Safety Meeting

The BID hosted a follow-up meeting for business owners with City Manager Greg Caton, Police Chief Camper as well as other City staff members to address final changes in parking and safety issues.

Allison stated that the two new police officers (Addison and Dustin) have started working in the downtown area and she has received great feedback from business owners.

ADJOURN: Shane made a motion to adjourn; Duncan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 a.m.