



RTA ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
JUNE 2, 2016

1) Welcome and Introductions

Chief of Staff Jeff Greene welcomed everyone to the meeting. He asked Bob Cope, Economic Development Manager for the City, to call the roll.

2) Call to Order – Roll Call

Merv Bennett – present
Amy Lathan – present
Dick Celeste - absent. B.J. Hybl represented USOM.
Pamela Shockley-Zalabak – absent. Steve Johnson represented UCCS.
General Lamberth – absent. Carlos Cruz-Gonzales represented the USAFA.
Luke Travins – present
Becky Medved – present
Dan Stuart – present
Doug Price – absent
Doug Quimby – present
Julian Flores – present
Lynne Telford – present
Marvin Strait – present
Mike Gould – present
Susan Edmondson – present
Henry Yankowski – present
Wynne Palermo – present

Chief Greene called for a motion to ask the group if those who were not in attendance could be excused. Motion passed unanimously.

3) Approval of Minutes

Mr. Greene called for an approval of the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

4) Communications

None

5) Board Member Appointments

Chief Greene spoke on behalf of Mayor Suthers, who recommends reappointments with the support of the City Council President Bennett for Julian Flores, Marvin Strait, and Lynne Telford. Motion passed unanimously.

6) Election of Officers

Council President Bennett recommended Mayor Suthers continue as chair, and Commissioner Lathen continue as vice chair. Motion passed unanimously.

7) Project Status Reports

a) B.J. Hybl gave a brief summary of the updated museum project. \$30M has been raised. Approximately \$8M additional funding needed.

b) Steve Johnson gave an overview and update for the UCCS Sports Medicine and Performance Center.

Schedule –

- a. March 2017 - Established partnerships and program development.
- b. June 2018 - Complete design and begin work.
- c. December 2019 – Doors open.

c) Carlos Cruz-Gonzales gave a brief overview of the updates at the U.S. Air Force Academy Gateway Visitor Center.

Schedule -

- a. Completed Congressional notification.
- b. Discussed Industry Day in April, and RFQ process.
- c. Final RFQ issued May 24th. Proposals due August 4th.
- d. Currently answering questions from interested parties providing due diligence.
- e. Allotted a six-month evaluation time so they can select the “highest ranking offer” early in 2017.

d) Bob Cope provided an update on the Sports and Event Center. Currently conducting a privately funded feasibility study by the national consulting firm HVS. Expecting the report to surface fall, 2016.

8) Financing Entity Report

Wynne Palermo provided an update for the Financing Entity. The total amount of funding from the state is \$2,873,865 as of May 13, 2016.

Breakdown -

- a. USOM - \$1,196,507.00
- b. UCCS - \$396,560.00
- c. USAFA – \$141,321.00
- d. Sports and Event Center - \$659,775.00
- e. Flexible and Administrative Accounts – Total \$ 479,702.00

All agreements have been completed with the Project Element Sponsors by the Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority.

9) Applicant Update

Bob Cope gave the Southwest Downtown Development update, illustrating the catalytic nature of the C4C downtown projects.

10) Unfinished Business

None

11) New Business

None

12) Public Comments/Public Input

None

13) Board Member Comments

Doug Quimby discussed going forward with the Sports and Event Center promotion once the feasibility study is completed.

Amy Lathen discussed the need for promoting C4C, public relationships, and advertising the importance of the future effects of C4C projects.

Bob Cope will reach out to some of the board members to begin to form a communications committee, and come up with a strategy to engage the public.

14) Adjourn