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CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 5, 2011 – 1:30 p.m.

Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments Main Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT

El Paso County HAC

Mr. Steve Hicks
Dr. James Null
Mr. Scott Turner

Citizen-at-Large Alternates

Ms. Ann DeVere
Mr. Jay Lower
Mr. Brian Risley

Colorado Springs CTAB

Mr. Jim Egbert
Mr. Rick Hoover
Mr. John Nuwer

City of Manitou Springs

Mr. Ray Ferguson

Citizen-at-Large

Mr. Tom Harold, Chair
Mr. Tom Rogers, 1st Vice Chair
Mr. Donald Feigel, 2nd Vice Chair
Mr. David Chestnutt
Ms. Bev Johnson

Town of Ramah

Mr. Dennis Carpenter
Ms. Cindy Tompkins

Town of Green Mountain Falls

Mr. Robert McArthur
Mr. Brian L.A. Wess

MEMBERS ABSENT

City of Manitou Springs

Ms. Amy Filipiak

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff of Member Governments and Citizens

PIKES PEAK RTA STAFF PRESENT

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Program/Contracts Manager
Ms. Jacquelyn Puett, Program Assistant

1. Call to Order

Chair Tom Harold established a quorum, called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m., and welcomed Dr. Jim Null, representing the El Paso County Highway Advisory Commission, as a new member of the Pikes Peak RTA CAC.

2. Approval of the Agenda

There was a motion by Mr. Steve Hicks, seconded by Mr. Brian Risley, to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comment Period for Items Not on the Agenda

Mr. Steve Hicks announced that the El Paso County Planning Commission approved the 2040 Major Transportation Corridor Plan on October 4, 2011.

4. Approval of the September 7, 2011, Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Donald Feigel made a motion, seconded by Ms. Beverly Johnson, to approve the September 7, 2011, meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Financial Reports

Ms. Beverly Majewski, Pikes Peak RTA Financial Manager, submitted an agenda packet report which informed the CAC that the PPRTA received \$5,824,924 in July sales and use tax receipts, which was \$122,384 or 2.1% below the monthly budget. Year-to-date actual figures were \$7,799 below the amended 2011 budget and 4.62% above the same period last year. There were no questions about the report.

6. 2011 Capital, Maintenance, and Public Transportation Contracts

A. City of Colorado Springs

Mr. Dan Krueger, City Engineering Staff, requested approval of the following three contracts:

- 1) Hamon Contractors, Capital (Hancock Ave. Bridge over the T-Gap Floodway): \$3,813,061.78
- 2) Stewart Title as Escrow Agent for Robert B. Stewart, Capital (Vincent Drive Extension): \$101,250.00
- 3) Dillie & Kuhn, Inc., Capital/Maintenance (Roadway Safety & Traffic Ops, Congestion/Incident Management/Signal Improvements, Citywide Safety and Traffic Ops): \$0.00

Mr. Don Feigel made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jim Egbert, to approve a positive recommendation to the Board for the three contracts. The motion passed unanimously.

B. El Paso County

Mr. André Brackin, El Paso County Engineer, requested approval of the following two contracts:

- 1) Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig (FHU), Capital (Baptist Road West): \$180,681.00
- 2) Rocky Mountain Materials and Asphalt, Capital (Stapleton Road West): \$63,814.55

Mr. Scott Turner arrived at the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

Dr. Jim Null discussed a need for the member governments to examine what will happen to specific transportation projects if the PPRTA is not renewed and offer voter assurance that money will not be invested in projects that might not see completion. The Chairman requested the information be included in the minutes for further discussion with the CAC and Board of Directors.

Mr. John Nuwer made a motion, seconded by Dr. Jim Null, to approve a positive recommendation to the Board for the two contracts. The motion passed unanimously.

C. City of Manitou Springs

Mr. Bruno Pothier, Public Works Director, requested approval of the following contract:

- 1) Schmidt Construction Company, Maintenance (2" Street Overlay on via Linda Vista): \$40,570.00

Mr. Donald Feigel made a motion, seconded by Mr. Steve Hicks, to approve a positive recommendation to the Board for the contract. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Member Government and Other Reports

A. Funding Request from ACT and Continuing Funding Request for Rides for Its Partner Organizations

Ms. Lynn Hopeman, Accessible Coordination Transportation of the Pikes Peak Region (ACT) board member, presented a request to receive 1) \$100,000 for the four ACT partner organizations for 2012, to continue to provide rides to people with disabilities and senior citizens in El Paso County. The partner organizations received \$100,000 in 2011, which reduced the “unmet need” from 2010. If this funding is not provided, service levels will decrease back to the 2010 level; 2) \$36,000 for Accessible Coordinated Transportation to use for the following: \$12,000 to be used for ACT operations, the remaining \$24,000 to be used as match for grant applications planned for 2012. ACT will be applying for FASTER funding, 5310 funding, JARC funding for employment ride needs and community funding, all of which require a minimum of 20% match.

Mr. Brian Wess arrived at the meeting at 2:27 p.m.

The Committee discussed in detail the history of the \$100,000 that the PPRTA Board advanced to the four human service transportation providers and ACT in 2011.

A motion to postpone consideration of this request until the CAC’s November 2 meeting where the FY 2012 budget workshop will be conducted passed by a 15-1 vote, with Mr. Rick Hoover opposing the motion and Mr. David Chestnut, Mr. Donald Feigel, and Mr. Scott Turner abstaining from the motion.

A break was taken from 3:37 to 3:45 p.m.

Mr. Robert McArthur, Ms. Ann DeVere, and Dr. James Null departed the meeting at 3:37 p.m.

B. City of Colorado Springs Transit Services Monthly Update

Mr. David Menter, Mountain Metro Transit, gave the monthly transit update and a presentation on the 2035 Regional Transit Plan for the purpose of receiving comments from the public.

C. City of Colorado Springs Monthly Change Order and Property Acquisition Report

This was an information item.

D. El Paso County Monthly Change Order and Property Acquisition Report

This was an information item.

8. Administrative Actions and Reports

A. Report of Recent Board Actions

This was an information item. There were no questions.

B. Appointment/Reappointment Process for Citizen Advisory Committee

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Pikes Peak RTA Program/Contracts Manager, presented a list of CAC members whose terms will be expiring on December 31, 2011. Each member will need to follow the outlined reappointment process if he or she would like to continue to serve.

C. Public Outreach Subcommittee Monthly Report

Mr. Brian L.A. Wess, Chair of the Subcommittee, presented a list of recommendations for the Board of Directors and CAC to review at an upcoming joint meeting for discussion of the PPRTA Capital renewal ballot measure.

Mr. Scott Turner made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cindy Tompkins, to approve a submittal of the list, as a discussion guide, to the Board of Directors. The motion passed by a 12-1 vote, with Mr. Jim Egbert opposing the motion.

In addition, the CAC requested that the Board request of the member governments their financial estimate projections of the degree of completion of the balance of the “A” list projects by the end of the 10-year period of the initial program for presentation at either the November or December CAC and Board meetings.

Ms. Bev Johnson departed the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

D. Staff Field Review Report

This was an information item. There were no questions.

9. Communications

Ms. Jennifer Irvine, El Paso County Engineering Staff, announced a ribbon cutting ceremony for Marksheffel Road on Thursday, October 6, 2011.

10. Adjournment

Chair Tom Harold adjourned the meeting at 4:56 p.m.