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**CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, October 3, 2012 – 1:30 p.m.

Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments Main Conference Room

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**El Paso County HAC**

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

**Citizen-at-Large Alternates**

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

**Colorado Springs CTAB**

Mr. Jim Egbert  
Mr. Rick Hoover

**Citizens-at-Large**

**Mr. Tom Rogers, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair**  
Mr. David Chestnutt  
Ms. Bev Johnson

**Town of Green Mountain Falls**

Mr. Brian Wess

**Town of Ramah**

Mr. Dennis Carpenter  
Ms. Cindy Tompkins

**City of Manitou Springs**

Mr. Ray Ferguson

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**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**City of Manitou Springs**

Ms. Amy Filipiak

**Town of Green Mountain Falls**

Mr. Rob McArthur

**Colorado Springs CTAB**

Mr. John Nuwer

**Citizens-at-Large**

**Mr. Tom Harold, Chair**  
**Mr. Donald Feigel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair**

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**OTHERS PRESENT**

Staff of Member Governments and Citizens

**PIKES PEAK RTA STAFF PRESENT**

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Program/Contracts Manager  
Ms. Beverly Majewski, Financial Manager

**1. Call to Order**

First Vice Chair Tom Rogers established a quorum, read the objectives of the Committee, and called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

## **2. Approval of the Agenda**

Mr. Jay Lower made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bev Johnson, to approve the agenda with the following revision: relocate Item 6C, El Paso County Capital, Maintenance, and Public Transportation Contracts, to before Item 6A. The motion passed unanimously.

## **3. Public Comment Period for Items Not on the Agenda**

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Pikes Peak RTA Program/Contracts Manager, presented the PPRTA Group “A” Capital projects’ status as of September 13, 2012, indicating that with PPRTA Board action next week regarding the Garden of the Gods/Chestnut Project moving to “design,” all “A” list Capital projects will have moved out of the “not yet started” category.

Mr. Ray Krueger acknowledged that CDOT finished the Powers Boulevard bridges over Research Parkway and Union Boulevard. Also, he asked about the purpose of carryover funds. Ms. Beverly Majewski, Pikes Peak RTA Financial Manager, explained that all carryover funds remained within the PPRTA and were tracked carefully by project.

## **4. Approval of Minutes from the September 5, 2012, Regular Meeting**

There was a motion by Ms. Beverly Johnson, seconded by Mr. Ray Ferguson, to approve the September 5, 2012, regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

## **5. Financial Reports**

Ms. Beverly Majewski, Pikes Peak RTA Financial Manager, presented the financial reports. The PPRTA received \$6,420,891 in July sales and use tax receipts, which was \$520,600 or 8.8% above the monthly budget. Year-to-date actual figures were \$2,378,466 over the 2012 budget and 7.48% above the same period in 2011.

## **6. 2012 Capital, Maintenance, and Public Transportation Contracts**

### **C. El Paso County**

Mr. Andre Brackin, County Engineer, requested a recommendation for the following contracts:

1) Lorson Ranch Metropolitan District, Capital (Marksheffel Road South): \$976,000.00

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

### **A. City of Colorado Springs**

Mr. Mike Chaves, City Engineering Staff, requested a recommendation for the following three contracts:

1) JR Engineering, Capital (Garden of the Gods and Chestnut): \$87,655.00

2) Blue Ridge Construction, Capital (Fillmore Street Corridor Improvements): \$4,407,147.40

3) Environmental Abatement SW, Capital (Fillmore Street Corridor Improvements): \$3,386.00

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

### **B. City of City of Colorado Springs – Amendment to Board Policy #12 to Allow a Larger Change Order Limit for the Blue Ridge Construction Contract for the Fillmore Street Corridor Capital Project**

Mr. Mike Chaves, City Engineering Staff, requested that the Fillmore Corridor Improvement project be added to PPRTA Policy #12 as follows:

“For the City of Colorado Springs contract #T006852 with Blue Ridge Construction for the construction of Fillmore Corridor Improvements project, the change order limit, which does not need Pikes Peak RTA Board approval, is raised to \$100,000 on an individual change order basis, with a 10% aggregate basis on the

contract. This constitutes a waiver to the Comprehensive IGA between the Pikes Peak RTA and the City of Colorado Springs.”

The policy modification would provide timely change order approval to avoid contractor delays in completing work which can result in claims for time and money extension and efficient and effective use of project management and staff time, as well as minimizing disruption to the public in general with work suspended pending Board approval of all change orders.

Mr. Jim Egbert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rick Hoover, to approve a positive recommendation to the Board for the request. The motion passed by an 11-4 vote, with Ms. Ann DeVere, Mr. David Chestnutt, Mr. Scott Turner, and Ms. Cindy Tompkins opposing the motion.

#### **D. City of Manitou Springs**

Mr. Bruno Pothier, Public Works Director, requested a recommendation for the following contract:

1) Technology Constructor, Inc., Capital (Downtown Revitalization Project): \$957,663.00

Mr. Brian Wess made a motion, seconded by Mr. Scott Turner, to make a positive recommendation to the Board for the contract. The motion passed unanimously.

### **7. Member Government and Other Reports**

#### **A. City of Colorado Springs Transit Services Monthly Update**

Mr. Andy Garton, Mountain Metro Transit, City of Colorado Springs, gave an overview of the monthly service update.

#### **B. City of Colorado Springs Monthly Change Order and Property Acquisition Report**

This was an information item.

#### **C. Chamber of Commerce Coalition Report**

Mr. Brian Risley, Liaison for the Chamber’s Coalition, gave a report on the organization’s progress in supporting the extension of the tax for the PPRTA Capital projects program.

#### **D. City of Colorado Springs Bicycle Toolkit Presentation**

Ms. Kristin Bennett, City of Colorado Springs, gave a presentation on existing and potential tools for the maintenance and expansion of bicycle traffic in the City. There was much discussion regarding the City’s plans and funding levels for the system.

*Ms. Ann Devere departed the meeting at 3:00 p.m.*

*Mr. Jay Lower departed the meeting at 3:43 p.m.*

*Dr. Jim Null and Mr. Brian Risley departed the meeting at 3:56 p.m.*

### **8. Administrative Actions and Reports**

#### **A. Report of Recent Board Actions**

This was an information item.

#### **B. Appointment/Reappointment Process for Citizen Advisory Committee**

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Pikes Peak RTA Program/Contracts Manager, presented a list of Committee member’s terms that will expire on December 31, 2012. It was requested that member entities take the needed action to reappoint members or appoint new members in time for ratification by the Board of Directors on December 12, 2012.

#### **C. Staff Field Review Report**

This was an information item.

**9. Communications**

There were none.

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m.