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CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, December 5, 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
Mr. Brian Risley
Ms. Ann DeVere

City of Manitou Springs

Ms. Amy Filipiak

Town of Green Mountain Falls

Mr. Brian Wess
Mr. Rob McArthur

Citizens-at-Large

Mr. Tom Harold, Chair
Mr. Tom Rogers, 1st Vice Chair
Mr. Don Feigel, 2nd Vice Chair

Ms. Bev Johnson
Mr. David Chestnutt

Town of Ramah

Mr. Dennis Carpenter
Ms. Cindy Tompkins

Colorado Springs CTAB

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

City of Manitou Springs

Mr. Ray Ferguson

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

Chair Tom Harold 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

During this item, Dr. Jim Null recognized Ms. Beverly Majewski, Pikes Peak RTA Financial Manager, and Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Pikes Peak RTA Program/Contracts Manager, for their great work during phase one of the PPRTA.

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg relayed the City of Manitou Springs request to withdraw Item 6C from the agenda. Mr. Scott Turner made a motion, seconded by Mr. Don Feigel, to approve the agenda as revised. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comment Period for Items Not on the Agenda

Mr. Don Feigel requested that, starting next month, the Public Outreach Subcommittee begin work on enhancing the PPRTA website.

Mr. Scott Turner discussed the Salvation Army's need for increased financial support due to a change in panhandling regulations in downtown Colorado Springs. Mr. Brian Wess commented that the Red Shield Children's program was also in need of support. Mr. Steve Hicks announced that his son, who had been battling cancer, was now in remission.

4. Approval of Minutes from the November 7, 2012, Regular Meeting

There was a motion by Dr. Jim Null, seconded by Ms. Ann DeVere, to approve the November 7, 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 \$6,399,714 in September sales and use tax receipts, which was \$513,595 or 8.7% above the monthly budget. Year-to-date actual figures were \$3,419,879 over the 2012 budget and 8.10% above the same period in 2011.

6. 2012 Capital, Maintenance, and Public Transportation Contracts

A. City of Colorado Springs

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

- 1) Core Engineering Group, Capital (Vincent Drive Bridge): \$230,040 (\$57,510 PPRTA Portion)
- 2) Matrix Design Group, Capital (Austin Bluffs Corridor – Nevada to Academy): \$281,972 (\$70,493 PPRTA Portion)
- 3) Nolte Associates, Capital/Maintenance (PPRTA Capital Project Management and Construction Inspection Services): \$1,598,218
- 4) Multiple Vendors, Capital/Maintenance (City/PPRTA Annual Contracts): \$NA
- 5) Colorado Springs Utilities, Maintenance (Bridge Repair and Maintenance): \$150,000

Mr. Don Feigel made a motion, seconded by Ms. Ann DeVere, to approve a positive recommendation to the Board for the five contracts. The motion passed unanimously.

B. El Paso County

Mr. André Brackin, County Engineer, requested a recommendation for the following contract:

- 1) Rocky Mountain Materials & Asphalt, Inc., Maintenance (Calhan Highway North Bridge): \$85,419.59

Ms. Ann DeVere made a motion, seconded by Ms. Beverly Johnson, to approve a positive recommendation to the Board for the contract. The motion passed unanimously.

C. City of Manitou Springs

This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

8. Member Government and Other Reports

A. City of Colorado Springs Transit Services Monthly Update

Mr. Craig Blewitt, 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. El Paso County Monthly Change Order and Property Acquisition Report

This was an information item.

D. Quarterly Reports from Member Governments

This was an information item.

9. 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, provided an update on Committee members whose terms would expire on December 31, 2012. Several members had already been reappointed by the member governments they represented or by the PPACG Board of Directors. He announced that Mr. John Nuwer was not seeking renewal for a second term of membership and that Mr. Ray Ferguson was term limited and would likely apply for the vacant citizen-at-large position on the Committee. Committee members offered appreciative comments to Ms. Beverly Johnson, who would be departing from the committee as a citizen-at-large member.

C. Election of Officers for the Citizen Advisory Committee

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Pikes Peak RTA Program/Contracts Manager, stated that the Committee will need to elect officers for 2013. He stated that Mr. Tom Harold, Chair, and Mr. Tom Rogers, First-Vice Chair, were term limited for officer positions.

After some discussion, Dr. Jim Null made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brian Wess, to make a positive recommendation to the Board to amend the PPRTA CAC Bylaws to remove the provision which limits CAC officers to three terms. The motion passed by a vote of 13-3-1, with Mr. Scott Turner, Ms. Ann DeVere and Mr. Don Feigel opposing the motion and Ms. Beverly Johnson abstaining from the vote.

D. Proposed Joint Meeting with PPRTA Board in February

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Pikes Peak RTA Program/Contracts Manager, said that the Board of Directors suggested that a joint meeting be held as a workshop after the adjournment of the Board meeting on February 13, 2013.

Mr. Don Feigel made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brian Wess, to approve a positive recommendation to the Board to hold a joint workshop with the Board at the end of the February Board meeting at approximately 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 13, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Communications

Ms. Cindy Tompkins said that the Town of Calhan officially passed their own sales tax increase for street improvements.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:59 p.m.