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CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 5, 2014 – 1:30 p.m.

Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments Main Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT

El Paso County HAC
Mr. Scott Turner
Mr. Reb Williams
Mr. Steve Hicks

Citizen-at-Large Alternates
Mr. Brian Risley, 2nd Vice Chair
Ms. Ann DeVere
Dr. Jim Null
Ms. Kit Roupe

Colorado Springs CTAB
Mr. Rick Hoover
Mr. Jim Egbert
Mr. Steve Murray

Citizens-at-Large
Mr. Tom Harold, Chair
Mr. Don Feigel, 1st Vice Chair
Mr. David Chestnutt
Mr. Tom Rogers
Mr. Jim Godfrey

Town of Green Mountain Falls
Mr. Rob McArthur
Mr. Brian Wess

City of Manitou Springs
Ms. Amy Filipiak
Mr. Ray Ferguson

Town of Ramah
Ms. Cindy Tompkins
Mr. Dennis Carpenter

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff of Member Governments and Citizens

PIKES PEAK RTA STAFF PRESENT

Mr. Rob MacDonald, PPRTA Secretary
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

Mr. Don Feigel made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reb Williams, to approve the agenda with the revision of changing Item 8B from recommendation to information. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comment Period for Items Not on the Agenda

There were none.

4. Approval of Minutes from the February 5, 2014, Regular Meeting

There was a motion by Mr. Ray Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Rob McArthur, to approve the February 5, 2014, regular meeting minutes with the following revision: remove Mr. Rob MacDonald's name as a second mention of attendance. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Financial Reports

Ms. Beverly Majewski, Pikes Peak RTA Financial Manager, presented the financial reports. The PPRTA received $7,352,430 million in December 2013 sales and use tax receipts, which was $215,561 above the monthly budget. Year-to-date actual figures were $3,321,915 million over the 2013 budget and 4.6% above the same period in 2012.

6. 2014 Capital, Maintenance, and Public Transportation Contracts

A. City of Colorado Springs

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

1) Wildcat Construction, Capital (Austin Bluffs Bridge Widening): $3,361,261.00 ($2,848,225.60 PPRTA Portion)
2) Wilson & Co., Capital (Austin Bluffs Bridge Widening): $202,771.00

Mr. Don Feigel made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reb Williams, to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the two contracts. The motion carried unanimously.

B. El Paso County

Mr. John Clack, El Paso County staff, requested a recommendation for the following two contracts:

1) A-1 Chipseal Company, Maintenance (dba Rocky Mountain Pavement): $76,256.70
2) Union Pacific Railroad, Capital (Baptist Road - West): $30,000.00

Ms. Cindy Tompkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reb Williams, to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the two contracts. The motion carried unanimously.

C. City of Manitou Springs

Ms. Rebecca Davis, Finance Director for the City of Manitou Springs, requested a recommendation for the following change to a contract amount:

1) TCI, Capital (MS Downtown Revitalization Phase 3: Manitou Avenue West Roundabout – Change Order): $65,845.45 Additional ($371,003.45 Total)

Ms. Cindy Tompkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Don Feigel, to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the new contract amount. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Member Government and Other Reports

A. City of Colorado Springs Transit Services Monthly Update

Mr. Craig Blewitt, Transit Services Director, City of Colorado Springs, Mountain Metro Transit, presented the report, including statistics on ridership and updates to routes and new services. A special Transit week is scheduled for May 5-9, 2014, to include events and festivities promoting transit. There was extensive discussion on vanpool services and expansion of services needed in the region.

B. PPACG/City of Colorado Springs 5310-5317 Project Selection

Mr. Brian Vitulli, PPACG Senior Transportation Planner, presented project awards for Section 5310-5317 funding that supports the mobility of seniors and those with disabilities. An evaluation committee formed by PPACG reviewed and selected project applications that best met the goals of the programs. The process was administered by PPACG and overseen by staff from the City - Mountain Metropolitan Transit.

There were CAC member questions regarding representatives selected for the evaluation committee, services provided by Goodwill to USAFA and Mr. Don Feigel expressed his dissatisfaction with Fountain Valley Senior Center's application being excluded from the funding awards. He had multiple questions on the process followed, the evaluation criteria used, and representation from the County. There was discussion relating to including evaluators that were vested in the process and from the disabled community, Fountain Valley's service area – urbanized or rural, the source of the 5310 funding, whether there was an operating expense cap placed on the applicants, how many hours the committee convened, the development of the Program Management Plan (PMP) based on the prior year's process, and the cumulative/maximum scores for the projects.

Mr. Vitulli collected comments from the majority of the committee members and the comments will be forwarded to the PPACG Board of Directors for a final presentation.

Mr. Vitulli stated that a list of neutral parties from established committees was formed by PPACG; two of the evaluation committee members were from PPACG's Mobility Coordinating Committee – The Independence Center and the Myron Stratton Home.

Mr. Feigel inquired if there was another program that administers rural funding. Mr. Vitulli said that CDOT administers the rural process. Fountain Valley Senior Center as part of the MCC is kept up-to-date on funds available.

D. City of Colorado Springs Monthly Change Order/Property Acquisition Report

This was an information item.

E. Quarterly Reports from Member Governments

This was an information item.

8. Administrative Actions and Reports

A. Report of Recent Board Actions

This was an information item.

B. Public Outreach Subcommittee Monthly Report

Mr. Brian Wess, Chair of the Subcommittee, discussed the PPRTA's mantra, "Promises made, promises kept" and suggestions sought from the County and City on the best way to place this on signage for public viewing. Regarding the website upgrade and annual report, first drafts will likely be presented for review in April.

C. Joint Meeting with Board

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg distributed a revised list of topics for a joint CAC/Board meeting immediately following the Board's April 9, 2014, meeting at approximately 3:00 p.m.

9. Communications

There were none.

10. Adjournment

Chair Tom Harold adjourned the meeting at 3:33 p.m.