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**CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, May 6, 2014 – 1:30 p.m.

Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments Main Conference Room

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**El Paso County HAC**

Mr. Reb Williams  
Mr. Steve Hicks

**Citizen-at-Large Alternates**

Dr. James Null  
Ms. Ann DeVere

**Colorado Springs CTAB**

Mr. Rick Hoover  
Mr. Steve Murray  
Mr. Jim Egbert

**Town of Green Mountain Falls**

Mr. Brian Wess (arrived 1:55)

**Citizens-at-Large**

Mr. Tom Harold, Chair (departed 5:21)  
Mr. David Chestnutt  
Mr. Tom Rogers  
Mr. Jim Godfrey (arrived 2:30; departed 3:51)

**City of Manitou Springs**

Ms. Amy Filipiak

**Town of Ramah**

Ms. Cindy Tompkins  
Mr. Dennis Carpenter

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**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**Citizens-at-Large**

Mr. Don Feigel, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair

**El Paso County HAC**

Ms. Joan Lucia-Treese

**Citizen-at-Large Alternates**

Mr. Brian Risley, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair

Ms. Kit Roupe

**City of Manitou Springs**

Mr. Ray Ferguson

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**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/Establish Voting Members**

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. Rick Sonnenburg, Pikes Peak RTA Program/Contracts Manager, requested that the CAC also approve minutes from the joint PPRTA Board/CAC meeting on April 9, 2014, which were not shown on the agenda cover sheet. Mr. Steve Hicks made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reb Williams, to approve the agenda with this revision. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Ms. Courtney Stone, The Independence Center, provided public comment on the City of Colorado Springs maintenance of effort for transit. A coalition had been formed between the Organizing Committee on Transit and the Pikes Peak Equality Coalition to ensure citizen input on the maintenance of effort issue.

Mr. Joe Vaccaro, transit advocate, spoke about the City of Colorado Springs maintenance of effort and the trust of the voters.

Mr. Guy Dutra-Silveira, Area Agency on Aging Director, said that he was also concerned about the maintenance of effort issue and encouraged that committee to consult with advocacy groups and others who were concerned so that complete input could be provided.

Mr. Craig Blewitt, Transit Director, City of Colorado Springs, said that the City's budget development process for 2015 had commenced. The City's chief financial officer gave an overview of unfunded needs to City Council. Among the unfunded needs, maintenance of effort for transit was included. The Mayor and City Council will look at all of the needs of the City and prioritize funds.

## **4. Approval of Minutes from the April 2, 2014, Regular Meeting and April 9, 2014, Joint Board of Directors/CAC Meeting**

There was a motion by Mr. Reb Williams, seconded by Ms. Ann DeVere, to approve the April 2, 2014, regular meeting minutes and the April 9, 2014, joint Board/CAC meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## **5. Financial Reports**

Ms. Beverly Majewski, Pikes Peak RTA Financial Manager, presented the financial reports. The PPRTA received \$5,851,496 million in February 2014 sales and use tax receipts, which was \$670,547 above the monthly budget. Year-to-date actual figures were \$753,436 above budget and 2.52% above the same period in 2013.

## **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) Matrix Design Group, Maintenance (Bridge Repair & Maintenance): \$255,408.25
- 2) Foothills Paving & Maintenance, Maintenance (Roadway Maintenance): \$734,252.80
- 3) K&S Enterprises, Maintenance (City/PPRTA Annual Contracts): \$75,000.00 Not to Exceed

Mr. Steve Hicks made a motion, seconded by Dr. Jim Null, to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the three contracts. The motion carried unanimously.

### **B. City of Colorado Springs Engineering Capital Projects Funding Request**

Mr. Stuart King, Capital Projects Engineering Manager, City of Colorado Springs, presented a request for the CAC to recommend that the Board allocate funding to the City's Engineering Capital accounts which was needed to complete three "A" list capital projects: South Metro Accessibility-Proby Parkway, Vincent Drive Bridge, and Vincent Drive Extension.

The following separate recommendations were made:

SMAS (Proby Parkway): Ms. Cindy Tompkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brian Wess, to recommend that the Board allocate \$158,022 to the project – specifically removing the contingency. The motion carried on a 12-3 vote.

Vincent Drive Bridge: Mr. Jim Egbert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Steve Hicks, to recommend that the Board reallocate \$869,857 back to the project. Mr. Reb Williams made a motion to amend, seconded by Mr. Brian Wess, that the amount be exclusive of the \$500,000 contingency. The motion to amend failed on a 7-8 vote. The main motion carried on an 8-7 vote.

Vincent Drive Extension: Mr. Jim Godfrey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jim Egbert, to recommend that the Board approve the planning estimate of \$227,600 for traffic signal construction on the project. The motion passed on a 10-4 vote.

#### C. City of Colorado Springs Traffic Capital Projects Funding Request

Ms. Kathleen Krager, City Transportation Manager, said that the City had three “A” list capital projects that were not substantially complete: Congestion/Incident Mgmt/Signal Improvements; Roadway Safety and Traffic Operations; and On-Street Bikeway Improvements. Funds were removed from these projects and placed into the Board’s “pool” and Ms. Krager requested that the funding be returned from the “pool” for obligated construction costs.

Mr. Jim Egbert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Steve Murray, to recommend that the Board dedicate \$2,464,162 to these projects to pay outstanding invoices and contracts for the projects. The motion failed to carry on a 7-7 vote.

Mr. Al Brody, Colorado Springs Cycling Club, and Ms. Susan Davies, Trails and Open Space Coalition, provided public comment on non-motorized transportation needs in the region.

#### D. Policy Issue Regarding PPRTA Maintenance Funds For Proposed Use on CDOT Projects/Roadways

A policy discussion took place regarding the City of Colorado Springs’ desire to use PPRTA maintenance funds to assist the Colorado Department of Transportation with the cost of the state’s Fillmore/I-25 intersection construction project.

Mr. Jim Egbert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tom Rogers, to recommend that the Board complete the Fillmore/I-25 DDI project and avoid making a change in policy that would allow PPRTA maintenance money to be used on a state capital project. After discussion, Mr. Rogers withdrew his second to the motion.

Mr. Rick Hoover made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brian Wess, to recommend that the Board approve Option 3 (see attached). The motion carried on 10-1 vote.

Ms. Kathleen Krager then requested that the Committee recommend to the Board that \$1 million of Signal Rebuilds in the Roadway Safety and Traffic Operations capital account be moved to the maintenance account and \$1,000,000 of local match money in the Citywide Safety and Traffic Operation maintenance account be moved to the capital account to provide funding for the project. Mr. Rick Hoover made the motion, seconded by Dr. Jim Null. The motion carried unanimously.

#### E. City of Colorado Springs Fillmore Interchange Ramp Match Commitment

See above.

#### F. El Paso County (considered before Item D)

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

- 1) Suncor Energy (USA), Maintenance: \$573,150.00
- 2) Schmidt Construction Company, Maintenance (Cover Coat Aggregate Materials): \$196,500.00
- 3) Rocky Mountain Materials & Asphalt, Maintenance (2014 Asphalt Contract): \$3,272,511.73
- 4) Rocky Mountain Materials & Asphalt, Capital (County Line Road): \$5,081,511.65

Dr. Jim Null made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tom Rogers, to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the four contracts. 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 monthly report, including the announcement of a new route improving service to the Citizens Services Center and establishing a foundation for service to the Veterans clinic.

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

This was an information item.

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

### **(All items tabled to another meeting)**

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

#### **B. Draft Amendment to CAC Bylaws**

#### **C. Draft Amendment to Board Policy #14: Project Signage**

#### **D. Draft Amendments to Comprehensive IGA's**

#### **E. Public Outreach Subcommittee Monthly Report**

#### **F. Joint Meeting with Board on May 14: Draft Agenda**

## **9. Communications** – There were none.

## **10. Adjournment**

Acting Chair Steve Hicks adjourned the meeting at 5:44 p.m.