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**CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, March 6, 2013 – 1:30 p.m.**

**Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments Main Conference Room**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**El Paso County HAC**

Mr. Steve Hicks  
Mr. Scott Turner

**Citizen-at-Large Alternates**

Ms. Ann DeVere  
Mr. Brian Risley  
Mr. Ray Ferguson

**Colorado Springs CTAB**

Mr. Jim Egbert  
Mr. Rick Hoover  
Mr. Ray Krueger

**Citizens-at-Large**

Mr. Tom Harold, Chair  
Mr. Tom Rogers, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair  
Mr. Don Feigel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair  
Mr. David Chestnutt

**Town of Green Mountain Falls**

Mr. Brian Wess  
Mr. Rob McArthur

**Town of Ramah**

Mr. Dennis Carpenter

**City of Manitou Springs**

Ms. Amy Filipiak

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**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**Citizen-at-Large**

Mr. Jim Godfrey

**El Paso County HAC**

Dr. James Null

**Town of Ramah**

Ms. Cindy Tompkins

**Citizen-at-Large Alternates**

Mr. Jay Lower

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**OTHERS PRESENT**

Staff of Member Governments and Citizens

**PIKES PEAK RTA STAFF PRESENT**

Mr. Rob MacDonald, Board 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 1:35 p.m.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

Ms. Ann DeVere made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tom Rogers, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**3. Public Comment Period for Items Not on the Agenda –** There were none.

**4. Approval of Minutes from the February 6, 2013, Regular Meeting and February 13, 2013, Special Joint Board/CAC Meeting**

There was a motion by Ms. Ann DeVere, seconded by Mr. Ray Ferguson, to approve the February 6, 2013, regular meeting minutes and February 13, 2013, Special Joint Board/CAC 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 \$7,139,950 in December 2012 sales and use tax receipts, which was \$409,252 or 6.1% above the monthly budget. Year-to-date actual figures were \$4,955,973 over the 2012 budget and 8.59% above the same period in 2011.

Ms. Majewski distributed a spreadsheet showing the history of PPRTA funding beginning in 2004.

**6. 2013 Capital, Maintenance, and Public Transportation Contracts**

**A. City of Colorado Springs**

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

- 1) K & S Enterprises, Maintenance (Curb/Gutter/Sidewalks): \$115,000
- 2) Matrix Design Group, Capital (Austin Bluffs Corridor): \$2,291,545

*Mr. Brian Wess arrived at the meeting at 1:48 p.m.*

Mr. Don Feigel made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rick Hoover, to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the two contracts. The motion passed unanimously.

**7. Member Government and Other Reports**

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

Mr. Andy Garton, City of Colorado Springs, Mountain Metro Transit, presented the monthly update including information on ridership statistics and spring service changes.

**B. City of Colorado Springs Request to Change Board Policy #15 Regarding PPRTA Projects' Maintenance Funding**

Mr. Mike Chavez, City Engineering Staff, requested the Committee provide a recommendation on Board Policy #15 and its expansion to include landscape maintenance on the proposed Fillmore bridge over I-25. The current Fillmore Street Corridor Project had limited landscaping opportunities, consisting of street trees and treatment around the detention pond southeast section. CDOT proposed to build a Diverging Diamond Interchange over I-25 with two bridges and center medians on both ends of the bridge structure. CDOT offered to incorporate landscaping and drip irrigation in these areas as part of their project if the City/PPRTA will be responsible for yearly maintenance.

*Ms. Amy Filipiak arrived at the meeting at 2:08 p.m.*

The landscape area on Fillmore will require an anticipated annual maintenance cost of \$25,000. Proposed landscaping on the bridge is estimated to cost \$6,000 to maintain annually.

Several members of the Committee recommended that the City work with the CSU demonstration garden center on Mesa Road for xeroscape landscape planning.

Mr. Scott Turner made a motion to recommend the Board of Directors deny the request. Ms. Ann DeVere seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 14-2 vote, with Mr. Brian Risley and Mr. Jim Egbert opposing the motion.

### C. CCOST Presentation of Specialized Transportation Needs

Mr. Guy Dutra-Silveira, PPACG Area Agency on Aging Director, said that the PPRTA Board of Directors tasked PPACG's Coordination Committee on Specialized Transportation (CCOST) with advising "what is the appropriate funding for specialized transportation providers." He presented figures outlining funding needs for the region's specialized transportation providers.

Mr. Craig Blewitt, City of Colorado Springs, Transit Division, said that the City will be working with the CCOST to tighten up the figures for the additional funding need. He explained how the request for this information came about and said that the City will be evaluating additional resources available in 2013.

### D. Quarterly Reports from Member Governments

This was an information item.

### E. City of Colorado Springs 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.

### B. Amendment to CAC Bylaws to End Term Limits for CAC Officers

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Pikes Peak RTA Program/Contracts Manager, requested the Committee develop a recommendation to the Board for a possible revision to the Committee's Bylaws to end term limits for CAC officers.

Mr. Jim Egbert made a motion to recommend that the Board of Directors strike the following sentence out of the CAC Bylaws, Page 4, "A member shall be limited to three terms in each of the three officer positions."

Mr. Brian Risley seconded the motion.

Mr. Scott Turner stated that he would be interested in serving as Chair of the Committee for 2013. In addition, Mr. Don Feigel said that he would like the opportunity to serve as Chair for 2013.

The motion passed by a 12-3-1 vote, with Mr. Scott Turner, Ms. Ann DeVere, and Mr. Don Feigel opposing the motion and Mr. Tom Harold abstaining.

*Mr. Scott Turner departed the meeting at 3:30 p.m.*

### C. Amendment to CAC Bylaws to End Term Limits for CAC Members from Member Governments

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Pikes Peak RTA Program/Contracts Manager, requested the Committee develop a recommendation to the Board for a possible revision to the Committee's Bylaws to end term limits for CAC members from Member Governments.

Mr. Brian Wess made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rob MacArthur, to recommend that the Board of Directors eliminate the CAC's two three-year term limits for CAC members representing member governments.

The motion passed by a 14-0-1 vote.

Mr. Tom Rogers recommended that the vote for 2013 officer elections be made by secret ballot.

## 9. Communications

There were none.

## 10. Adjournment

Chair Tom Harold adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.



