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**PPRTA Board of Directors – Citizen Advisory Committee
Joint Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 11, 2014 – 3:30 p.m.
Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments Main Conference Room**

PPRTA MEMBERS PRESENT

City of Colorado Springs

Councilmember Joel Miller, Vice Chair
Councilmember Jan Martin

City of Manitou Springs

Mayor Marc Snyder

Town of Ramah

Mayor Pro Tem Keith McCafferty

El Paso County

Commissioner Amy Lathen, Chair

Town of Green Mountain Falls

Trustee Tyler Stevens

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Citizen-at-Large Alternates

Ms. Ann DeVere

Town of Ramah

Ms. Cindy Tompkins
Mr. Dennis Carpenter

Colorado Springs CTAB

Mr. Jim Egbert
Mr. Rick Hoover

Citizens-at-Large

Mr. Tom Rogers
Mr. Don Feigel, 1st Vice Chair
Mr. David Chestnutt
Mr. Jim Godfrey

El Paso County HAC

Ms. Joan Lucia-Treese
Mr. Reb Williams

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff of Member Governments and Citizens

PIKES PEAK RTA STAFF PRESENT

Mr. Rob MacDonald, Secretary
Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Program/Contracts Manager
Ms. Beverly Majewski, Financial Manager
Ms. Jennifer Ivey, Legal Counsel

1. Call to Order/Establish a Quorum

El Paso County Director Lathen established a quorum of PPRTA Board members and called the joint meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Town of Ramah Director McCafferty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Reb Williams, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comment Period for Items not on the Agenda – None.

4. Definition of Maintenance, especially regarding the use of PPRTA funds for the purchase of vehicles, parts/labor for repairs, and fuel

The CAC and Board discussed the definition of “maintenance,” potential for sharing of specialized equipment among member governments, and the process for approval for equipment/vehicle purchases.

5. Long-range plan for PPRTA-funded vehicles: use of funds from their sale if not used as trade-in, if they will be replaced using PPRTA maintenance funds, pickups versus specialized trucks, etc.

Discussion on this item overlapped with Item 4 above. The Board requested that the CAC formulate a definition for maintenance as a recommendation to forward to the Board for review.

6. Maintenance of Effort

Group discussion took place on the importance of the PPRTA’s maintenance of effort provision.

Citizen Joe Vaccaro, former member of the CAC, expressed his dissatisfaction with the City of Colorado Springs not meeting its maintenance of effort for Transit.

City of Colorado Springs Director Miller stated that he would bring the CAC’s recommended nine-word revision to the Establishing IGA forward to City Council and provide an unofficial update to the Board and CAC.

Mr. Craig Blewitt, Transit Director for Mountain Metro Transit, spoke about the City’s preliminary budget preparation for 2015 for Transit. City of Colorado Springs Director Martin addressed the City’s budget issues, funds going toward the public safety department, and also expressed appreciation for the CAC’s reminders on the importance of the maintenance of effort for PPRTA.

7. PPRTA review of Metro Transit contracts, which is not current practice because, per the Comprehensive IGA, the PPRTA is Not a party to Transit contracts

The members expressed varying preferences on whether the PPRTA should review Transit contracts utilizing PPRTA funds. Mr. Blewitt was available to discuss the City’s contract and audit processes for its Transit contracts as well as the quarterly report provided to the PPRTA for Transit contracts.

Ms. Beverly Majewski, PPRTA Financial Manager, discussed PPRTA staff’s review of the Transit contracts in relation to the PPRTA’s annual budget.

The Board requested that the CAC discuss this issue at its next meeting and prepare a recommendation to the Board.

8. Transition from the first PPRTA capital list to the second capital list

The CAC’s recommendation for a report that lists all of the PPRTA I Capital projects and the status of their budgets was reviewed. There was acknowledgement of the need for cooperation between member entities to complete A-list projects with remaining available funding.

9. Board discussion of the CAC’s roles/responsibilities

The CAC’s role in relation to the Board and its responsibilities to the voters was discussed. Board members expressed appreciation to the CAC for their participation and input into the process.

10. PPRTA Member Announcements – There were none.

11. Adjournment

City of Colorado Springs Director Miller adjourned the meeting at 5:14 p.m.