



**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOARD)
Wednesday, August 9, 2006
9:00 a.m.
PPACG Conference Room**

MEMBERS PRESENT

El Paso County
Town of Green Mountain Falls
City of Colorado Springs
City of Colorado Springs
City of Colorado Springs
City of Fountain
City of Manitou Springs
El Paso County
El Paso County
Military Representative
Public Transportation Representative
Town of Palmer Lake

MEMBERS ABSENT

Air Quality Control Commission
City of Cripple Creek
City of Victor
City of Woodland Park
Colorado Transportation Commission
Park County
Teller County
Town of Alma
Town of Calhan
Town of Fairplay
Town of Monument

GUESTS

Mr. Craig Blewitt
Mr. Doug Blough
Mr. Chuck Brown
Mr. Mickey Ferrell
Ms. Laura Muir
Mr. Glenn Messke
Ms. Wendy Pettit
Ms. Janet Stephens
Col. Steve Tanous
Mr. Bob Torres
Mr. Rob Vinton

REPRESENTED BY

Commissioner Wayne Williams, Chair
Mayor Tyler Stevens, 1st Vice Chair
Councilmember Jerry Heimlicher, 2nd Vice Chair
Vice Mayor Larry Small
Councilmember Darryl Glenn
Councilmember LeNore Ralston
Mayor Marcy Morrison
Commissioner Sallie Clark
Commissioner Dennis Hisey
Dr. Bob Stein
Dr. James Null
Mayor Max Parker

REPRESENTED BY

Commissioner Chris Neumann
Mayor Ed Libby
Mayor Kathy Justice
Mayor Gary Crane, Secretary
Commissioner Terry Schooler
Coroner Sharon Morris
Commissioner Jim Ignatius, Treasurer
Mayor Mark Dowaliby
Mayor Gary Reimers
Mayor Fred Boyce
Mayor Byron Glenn

City of Colorado Springs
Momentum Advertising & PR
Springs Toll Road, Inc.
Colorado Department of Transportation
Momentum Advertising & PR
Peterson AFB
Colorado Department of Transportation
El Paso County
21st Space Wing Peterson AFB
Colorado Department of Transportation
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STAFF

Mr. Robert MacDonald, Executive Director
Mr. Craig Casper, Transportation Director
Mr. Aaron Klibaner, Regional Planning Manager
Ms. Barb Louricas, Executive Secretary
Mr. Rich Muzzy, Environmental Program Manager
Ms. Margaret Shelton, Accounting Manager
Mr. Warren Whiteaker, Transportation Planner
Ms. Jennifer Young, Policy and Communication Manager

06-131 INTRODUCTIONS & CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Williams established a quorum for the Board of Directors. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Introductions were made.

06-132 AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Williams indicated that a request was made to 1) pull up Agenda Item No. 5A from the consent calendar for discussion and 2) remove Agenda Item No. 7A, Proposed Initiative 88: Home Energy Adjustment Tax-Rebate, because it will not be on the November ballot.

Mayor Stevens made a motion to approve the agenda with the two changes. Commissioner Hisey seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

06-133 PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments.

06-134 APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES FROM THE JULY 12, 2006 MEETING

Mayor Morrison made a motion to approve the July 12, 2006 minutes. Mayor Stevens seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

06-135 CONSENT CALENDAR

The following item was acted on by the Board:

- FY-2007 Through FY-2012 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #2

Mayor Parker made a motion to approve the item on the consent calendar. Commissioner Hisey seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- Membership Appointments: Community Advisory Committee

Mayor Morrison said that two qualified transportation professionals have applied for membership on the Community Advisory Committee (CAC). Mayor Morrison said that because the purpose of the CAC is to obtain input from citizens who have a broad community perspective on all of the PPACG programs she feels the two candidates may be more appropriate for the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).

Mayor Morrison made a motion to 1) have PPACG Staff review the role of the CAC and evaluate its effectiveness, 2) advertise the vacancies on the Community Advisory Committee, and 3) table the approval of two CAC memberships until the September meeting. Councilmember Ralston seconded the motion.

Mr. MacDonald indicated that the intent of the CAC is to get members that represent the overall community for the program areas of PPACG. Ms. Jennifer Young has been given the task to obtain a broad representation from across the region. Ms. Young reported that there are more than ten vacancies on this committee.

Vice Mayor Small indicated that the nominating committee interviewed and recommended appointment and asked for their feedback. No one was present to provide feedback.

The vote passed by unanimous vote.

06-136 RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR CDOT REGION 2 DIRECTOR ROBERT TORRES

Commissioner Williams discussed the numerous impacts that Mr. Bob Torres, Colorado Department of Transportation Region 2 Director, has had on the Pikes Peak Region, including improvements to projects such as COSMIX, Powers Boulevard, US 24 both east and west, SH 85/87 in the Fountain Valley, as well as SH 16 improvements. Commissioner Williams said that Mr. Torres has been an effective advocate for the transportation needs of the Pikes Peak Region.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the Resolution of Appreciation for CDOT Region 2 Director Robert Torres. Mayor Stevens seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Torres said that he appreciates the recognition as well as the relationships with PPACG Staff and Board members over the many years he has been involved with CDOT.

06-137 FY-2006 AND FY-2007 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM AMENDMENT 4

Mr. Warren Whiteaker reported that the changes from Amendment 4 to the FY-2006 and FY-2007 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) are from: 1) regulations from SAFETEAU-LU, 2) a minor reduction to the revenue for FY-2007, and 3) additional costs and revenues related to the FREX Sustainability Study.

Commissioner Hisey made a motion to approve Amendment 4 to the FY-2006 and FY-2007 Unified Planning Work Program. Vice Mayor Small seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

06-138 FY-2007 ANNUAL SELF-CERTIFICATION

Mr. Whiteaker said that the certification has previously been a part of the UPWP approval process. The self-certification stipulates that PPACG Transportation Program is in compliance with restrictions on lobbying, the Civil Rights Act, and facilitating the Transportation Planning Work Program according to Federal rules.

Vice Mayor Small made a motion to authorize the PPACG Executive Director to sign the FY-2007 Annual Self-Certification. Commissioner Hisey seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

06-139 REVISED 2030 SMALL AREA FORECAST

Mr. Craig Casper indicated that there were no public comments on the proposed revisions to the 2030 Small Area Forecast.

Mayor Parker made a motion to approve the Revised 2030 Small Area Forecast. Commissioner Hisey seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

06-140 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT GRANT

Mr. Richard Muzzy said only minor changes have been made to the Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment Grant (DOD OEA) since last month. The final grant was submitted on August 8, 2006. Copies of the grant can be obtained from Mr. Muzzy.

Mayor Stevens made a motion to approve acceptance of the DOD OEA Grant; upon notification of approval by the OEA, authorize the hiring process for two additional Full-Time Equivalent PPACG Staff positions for an 18-month period; and develop the RFP for consultant services. Commissioner Hisey seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

06-141 REDESIGN OF THE PIKES PEAK AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' LOGO

Mr. MacDonald introduced Ms. Laura Muir and Mr. Doug Blough of Momentum Advertising. Mr. MacDonald said that there were numerous actively used logos and taglines of PPACG. Momentum Advertising was contracted to assist in developing one unique logo/tagline for PPACG.

Ms. Laura Muir presented eight logo concepts. The overall project goal is to enhance the PPACG brand and tagline to the region. Ms. Muir said the working tagline that has been used, "Local Communities Planning our Region Since 1967" is the current working tagline.

Mr. Blough discussed the considerations that go into the process of developing a logo: does the logo present a positive image, does the logo communicate what PPACG is about, in what ways will the logo be used, reproducibility, longevity, consistent use, shape, fonts, graphic icon, color and/or black and white, as well as reproduction treatments. Mr. Blough showed eight final designs from the over 100 considered in the process.

Councilmember Heimlicher suggested using verbs in the tagline such as "serving", "supporting", "representing" in place of "planning". Mayor Stevens recommended deletion of the word "local". Councilmember Heimlicher suggested a tagline of "Communities Working Together Since 1967."

After Board input on designs and font style, two designs were selected as preferential to the Board.

06-142 I-25 CORRIDOR/COSMIX UPDATE

Mr. Casper introduced Mr. Dave Poling, CDOT, who provided an update on the I-25 Corridor improvements.

Mr. Poling said that at the end of August, construction will start on the bridge structures of I-25 by Nevada Boulevard/Rockrimmon Boulevard Intersection. Mr. Poling reported that the overall project is on schedule.

Mr. Poling indicated that I-25/Bijou Street southbound onramp I-25 will close in September to construct the realignment of the Bijou Street Bridge traffic to Pikes Peak Avenue, Walnut Street, and Colorado Avenue. The interchange will be closed for approximately eight months beginning in January 2007.

06-143 PETERSON AIR FORCE BASE MASTER PLAN BRIEFING

Mr. Casper introduced Colonel Stephen Tanous, Vice Commander at Peterson Air Force Base. Colonel Tanous reported on the vision of the 21st Space Wing, known as Blueprint 2050.

Colonel Tanous said that there is \$1.4 billion of funding to the community in the form of 5,000 additional jobs, and over \$191 million of additional income from the positions. Colonel Tanous discussed the total economic impact to the community.

Colonel Tanous indicated that the vision of the 21st Space Wing is “Strength and Preparedness to Save the Nation” and the mission is to “Conduct world class space superiority operations and provide unsurpassed installation support and protection while deploying warrior Airmen.”

Colonel Tanous discussed the numerous boundary issues of Peterson Air Force Base. Colonel Tanous’ email address is stephen.tanous@peterson.af.mil and his phone number is **556-2101**.

06-144 CDOT STRATEGIC TRANSIT TASK FORCE UPDATE

Commissioner Williams indicated that there were 50 projects for \$120 million in funding submitted for consideration. The available funding is only \$60 million. The preliminary rankings have been done and FREX ranked second. The meeting to finalize recommendations will be held the week of August 14 and will be presented to the Transportation Commission for final approval.

06-145 PPACG BOARD COMMUNICATION PROCESS

Mr. MacDonald indicated that the process is outlined in the Board memorandum. Any changes received after the distribution of the packet will be in the strike-through/bold format similar to the format used for legislation at the Colorado General Assembly.

Vice Mayor Small indicated that last minute changes are confusing where no prior notice of the change is given. Commissioner Williams agreed that changes are easier to follow if they are in a written, strike-through/bold format.

Commissioner Clark suggested that if an amendment is recommended to Mr. MacDonald, it could be sent out by email to Board members.

06-146 PROPOSED FUNDING MECHANISM FOR PIKES PEAK AREA AGENCY ON AGING: 501 (c) 3 ENTITY

Mr. MacDonald indicated that the Pikes Peak Area Agency on Aging (PPAAA) is investigating the feasibility of establishing a separate 501 (c) 3 entity to provide additional funding for aging services related to the programs of the PPAAA. Mr. MacDonald said that the topic will be on the next Board meeting agenda for action. Mr. MacDonald said that resources of other organizations have been consulted such as Area Agency on Aging in Boulder, Memorial Hospital, and Pikes Peak Library Foundation.

Vice Mayor Small wants to ensure that competition for funds will not be created for other non-profit funds. Mr. MacDonald said that the 501 (c) 3 is an opportunity to increase funding and many of the other non-profits are funded through the PPAAA.

Mayor Morrison commented that there are programs at PPAAA, such as the Ombudsman Program, that need more funding to enhance services for seniors.

06-147 COMMUNICATION ITEMS

Commissioner Williams reported that CDOT and the Transportation Commission have allocated \$45 million for the I-25/SH 16 Interchange for funding in FY-2007.

Mr. MacDonald said that photographs of the interchange have been provided by Fort Carson and the Talking Point paper has been revised based on the latest information.

06-148 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There were no questions.

06-149 PPACG FINANCIAL REPORTS

There were no questions.

06-150 MEMBER ENTITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

06-151 ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Williams adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.