



**Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 9, 2018
12:00 PM
Pueblo Convention Center
320 Central Main**

MEETING CALLED BY

Don Banner, Chairman, called the Tuesday, January 9, 2018 Regular Board Meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Dave Abeyta, Don Banner, Marlene Bregar, Louie Carleo, Rita Gersick, Beth Gladney, Megan Koncilja, Betty Martinez, Bob Schilling, Ralph Williams

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Patrick Avalos, Sal Pace

STAFF PRESENT

Tony Acri, Cherish Deeg, Jerry M. Pacheco, Andrea Delagarza

GUESTS PRESENT

Jessica Corona, Doug Piersel, Ted Freeman

(All meetings are recorded per PURA's Financial and Administrative Internal Controls Policy adopted February 11, 2014)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

All agreed to approve the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority (PURA) Tuesday, January 9, 2018 regular Board Meeting Agenda as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Ted Freeman, Pueblo Citizen, shared his concerns and criticisms of the use of Vendor Fee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Regional Tourism Act Project Committee

Louie Carleo, Committee Chairman, stated that the project is remaining in budget and on time. The RTA Sub Committee will be traveling to Denver to meet with the interior designer to work on how to tie all the spaces together. He shared that the City of Pueblo has denied the request to use the \$12.2 million loan to fund the demolition of the police annex, however, discussions are ongoing. Tony Acri, RTA Project Manager, gave a brief construction and timeline update. Discussion followed on the trip to Denver, interior design and the Demolition of the Police Annex Building.

Finance Committee

Dave Abeyta, Treasurer, stated that the open communication with the City of Pueblo has made a positive impact on our relationship with the City of Pueblo. Discussion followed on the reason the December Finance Committee meeting was canceled, and 2017 Audit preparations.

Pueblo Convention Center

Don Banner, Chairman, stated the committee met and is currently working on detailed reports to show the sales efforts and deferred maintenance items.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda approval to accept and file the following:

Tuesday, December 12, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 12, 2017, Regional Tourism Act Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 19, 2017, Regional Tourism Act Sub Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 Pueblo Convention Center Committee Minutes

A motion to approve the consent agenda and all items included was made by Louie Carleo, Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Rita Gersick, Commissioner. The motion passes unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

A Resolution designating a public posting location for the year of 2018.

A motion to approve a resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority in Pueblo Colorado, designating the First Floor Bulletin Board of City Hall located at 1 City Hall Place, Pueblo Colorado, 81003, as the public posting location for the posting of meetings was made by Meagan Koncilja, Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Ralph Williams, Commissioner. The motion passes unanimously.

A Resolution approving a Commissioner to represent PURA on the HARP Board.

A motion to approve a resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority in Pueblo Colorado, approving the placement of Meagan Koncilja, Commissioner, to the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk of Pueblo Authority as the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority representative, for a term not to exceed one year, pursuant to the amended and restated Historic Arkansas Riverwalk of Pueblo Authority Intergovernmental Agreement was made by Betty Martinez, Vice-Chairman. The motion was seconded by Rita Gersick, Commissioner. The motion passes unanimously.

DIRECTORS AND PARTNER REPORTS

Chairman's Report

Don Banner, Chairman, stated that he is representing the tenants for the main street parking garage and they will be proposing a counter proposal to the letter that was sent out by PURA. He recuses himself as a PURA Board Member during this discussion. He followed by sharing that the Pueblo County is working on a financial request of PURA to assist in the YES Pueblo project. Discussion followed on the project. All agreed that no work should take place until the City of Pueblo has agreed to the project, PURA is held harmless, and an agreement with the taxing entities is complete.

Secretary's Report

Jerry M. Pacheco, Executive Director, stated that PURA will be presenting a budget amendment during the Audit and the staff will be working on an Annual Report for the Board.

Historic Arkansas Riverwalk Project Report

Meagan Koncilja, Commissioner, reported that the Riverwalk channel cleaning will be taking place January 15, 2018 through February 15, 2018. Holiday lights are being removed and permanent white lighting will be installed for a more festive Riverwalk experience all year. Maintenance items will be taking place soon as well as the upcoming construction projects of the Riverwalk extension and the plazas. The December 2017 boat rides were up 400% from last year.

Pueblo Convention Center Report

Jessica Corona, Pueblo Convention Center General Manager, shared that the microphones will be replaced if there is capital money left over at the end of the year. She shared that they are heading into the 2018 year with \$474,000 in booked business and in 2017 there was only \$275,000. They are still working through construction related cancelations but overall the amount is not as much as was expected. The second chef has taken another position and the position will be advertised soon.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion followed regarding the 2018 Board Retreat. All agreed that it should be an all-day event on a Saturday at the Pueblo Convention Center.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the Tuesday, January 9, 2018, Regular Board Meeting was made by Betty Martinez, Vice-Chairman. The motion was seconded by Louie Carleo, Commissioner. The motion passes unanimously. Don Banner, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 12:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Cherish K. Deeg, Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority Operations Coordinator