



**Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 10, 2019
11:50 AM
Pueblo Convention Center
320 Central Main Street**

MEETING CALLED BY

Don Banner, Chairman, called the Tuesday, December 10, 2019 Board Meeting to order at 11:51 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Dave Abeyta, Mark Aliff, Patrick Avalos, Don Banner, Marlene Bregar, Louie Carleo, Betty Martinez, Ralph Williams

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Dennis Flores, Rita Gersick, Meagan Kroeze, Garrison Ortiz, Jim Valenzuela

STAFF PRESENT

Tony Acri, Cherish Deeg, Andrea Delagarza, Jerry Pacheco

GUESTS PRESENT

Kevin Ortiz, Doug Piersel, Ted Freeman

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

All generally agreed to move forward with the PURA Tuesday, December 10, 2019 Board Meeting Agenda as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee Report

Don Banner, Chairman, stated that the Executive Committee is busy working but all items are not ready for full board discussions, they will be discussed during future meetings.

Finance Committee Report

Ralph Williams, Assistant Treasurer, stated that he is working with Influent Energy regarding the contract language. There have not been any decisions. The Finance Committee also approved a loan for the HVAC Upgrades needed at the Convention Center. The upgrades will take place in the next month or so. The Office of Economic and International Trade (OEDIT) meeting to discuss the Regional Tourism Act (RTA) Grant percentage of State Sales Tax Increment was canceled due to a snowstorm. This meeting has been rescheduled for January 23, 2020.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda approval to accept and file the following:

- Tuesday, November 12, 2019 Board Regular Meeting and Advance Meeting Minutes
- Monday, November 11, 2019 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 25, 2019 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Friday, November 22, 2019 Finance Committee Minutes
October 2019 Pueblo Convention Center Operations and Sales Report
October 2019 Pueblo Convention Center Operating Statements
October 2019 PURA Operating Statements

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

ACTION ITEMS

A resolution approving the first major amendment to the Thunder village Project Area.

A motion to approve a resolution of the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority, a body corporate and politic of the state of Colorado, approving the first major amendment to the Thunder Village Project 1 Urban Renewal Area Plan was made by Dave Abeyta, Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Betty Martinez, Vice-Chairman. Louie Carleo, Commissioner, abstained from discussion and voting. The motion passed unanimously.

A resolution approving the findings of the Conditions Survey for the proposed Thunder Village Project II urban Renewal Area.

A motion to approve a resolution of the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority, a body corporate and politic of the state of Colorado, approving the findings of the Conditions Survey performed by Ricker Cunningham for the proposed Thunder Village Project II Urban Renewal Area was made by Ralph Williams, Assistant Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Dave Abeyta, Treasurer. Louie Carleo, Commissioner, abstained from discussion and voting. The motion passed unanimously.

A resolution approving the Thunder Village Project II Urban Renewal Area Plan.

A motion to approve a resolution of the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority, a body corporate and politic of the state of Colorado, approving the Thunder Village Project II Urban Renewal Area Plan was made by Dave Abeyta, Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Dennis Flores, Commissioner. Louie Carleo, Commissioner, abstained from discussion and voting. The motion passes unanimously.

REPORTS

Chairman

Don Banner, Chairman, shared that Chief Tony shared his thanks for the purchase of the new dishwasher. He also reminded the Commissioners that the PURA Holiday Party is Thursday, December 12th in 1129 Restaurant from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m..

Secretary

Jerry M. Pacheco, Executive Director, shared that he is working with the County regarding the Joe Martinez expansion, EVRAZ was successful and received an extension until April so work will be held off until closer to time, Debra Hinsvark, Elhers, is retiring and we will be working with Melissa Buck, Elhers, as our Financial Advisor moving forward. Dennis Flores, Commissioner, shared that the City is discussing a potential project on the West Side to open 18th Street to Pueblo Boulevard. Mark Aliff, Ex officio, requested an update regarding the Downtown Expanded refinancing and potential Downtown Phase 3 Area. Jerry M. Pacheco, Executive Director, shared that the Finance Committee discussed and decided to wait to refinance until June 2020 in order to avoid paying a penalty on the bonds. The area would be created shortly after. Don Banner, Chairman, asked if the County will be reimbursing PURA for staff time on the County 1A projects. Jerry M. Pacheco, Executive Director, shared that it has not been discussed at this time and if the project requires a new Urban Renewal Area we would receive administrative fee from that district.

Historic Arkansas Riverwalk of Pueblo

No report was given.

City of Pueblo

No report was given.

Pueblo Convention Center

Kevin Ortiz, Pueblo Convention Center (PCC) General Manager (GM), shared that the dishwasher will be installed on Monday, December 16th. The acoustic panels for the Exhibit Hall have been ordered and will be installed during the end of December or early January depending on delivery. He shared some financial comparisons which show that this year compared to the last three years is trending up by over \$300,000. Discussion followed regarding this information, the Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce partnership, Professional Bull Riders Partnership and the 2020 year. All agreed that the convention center staff has done a wonderful job.

Pueblo Welcome Center

No report was given.

ADJOURNMENT

Don Banner, Chairman, adjourned the Tuesday, December 10, 2019, Regular Board Meeting at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Cherish K. Deeg,
Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority, Operations Director