



**Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 12, 2021
11:50 AM
Via Microsoft Teams Conferencing**

MEETING CALLED BY

Dave Abeyta, Chairman, called the Tuesday, January 12, 2021 Board Meeting to order at 11:52 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Dave Abeyta, Mark Aliff, Don Banner, Marlene Bregar, Louie Carleo, Dennis Flores, Elizabeth Gallegos, Jeanette Garcia, Betty Martinez, Jim Valenzuela, Ralph Williams

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Patrick Avalos, Garrison Ortiz

STAFF PRESENT

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

GUESTS PRESENT

Doug Piersel, Lynn Clark, Kevin Ortiz, Mayor Gradisar, Scott Hobson, Nathan Stern

(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

A motion to approve the PURA Tuesday, January 12, 2021 Board Meeting Agenda as presented was made by Ralph Williams, Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Dennis Flores, Commissioner. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Ralph Williams, Treasurer, discussed the upcoming EVRAZ Bond issue and thanked the Mayor for his help in getting the Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District (LAVWCD) to sign the agreement for this project area. He continued by sharing HB2020-1004 has passed, its potential effects on the RTA Sales Tax receipts, and the PURA Process document presentation to the LAVWCD on January 20, 2021.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda approval to accept and file the following:

- Tuesday, December 8, 2020 Board Regular Meeting Minutes
- Monday, January 4, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
- Friday, December 4, 2020 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
- October PURA and Convention Center Operating Statements

A motion to approve the consent agenda and all items included was made by Marlene Bregar, Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Don Banner, Commissioner. The motion passes unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

A Resolution designating the public posting place for 2021.

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 and the PURA website as the public posting location for the posting of meetings was made by Don Banner, Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Elizabeth Gallegos, Commissioner. The motion passes unanimously.

A Resolution approving and recommending that the City Council approve a Minor Modification of the Urban Renewal Plan for the Union Avenue Project Area.

A motion to approve a resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority in Pueblo Colorado, approving and recommending that the City Council approve a Minor Modification of the Urban Renewal Plan for the Union Avenue Project Area was made by Elizabeth Gallegos, Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Marlene Bregar, Commissioner. Discussion followed regarding the typographical error in numbering, Sales Tax contribution for 7 years from the City of Pueblo, PURA reimbursement agreement, and the project details. The motion passes with Louie Carleo, Commissioner opposed.

REPORTS

Chairman

Dave Abeyta, Chairman, stated he had no additional report.

Secretary

Jerry M. Pacheco, Executive Director, shared a potential project that is upcoming near Pueblo Boulevard and Hwy 50. This will be very complicated and large project. Discussion followed on annexation process and no decisions were made. He continued by presenting the PURA Process document. Discussion followed and all agreed that we need to continue to move forward with open door communication and transparency.

City of Pueblo

Scott Hobson, City of Pueblo, shared updates regarding the installation of Parklets, and the release of the RFP for environmental Consultants regarding the Brownfield project.

Pueblo County

No report was given.

Historic Arkansas Riverwalk of Pueblo Authority

Lynn Clark, Historic Arkansas Riverwalk of Pueblo Authority (HARP) Executive Director, shared that they have agreed not to increase fees during the 2021 year due to COVID and are also extending the allowance for extended patio agreements with Riverwalk Businesses. Discussion followed regarding annual maintenance period, vandalism/ homeless, entertainment district, boathouse design and funding. No decisions were made.

Welcome Center

No report was given.

Convention Center

Kevin Ortiz, Pueblo Convention Center General Manager, shared that they were awarded a 3rd Grant from Pueblo County for COVID relief, they are applying for the five star program, they received a grant to become accredited with a Gold Standard cleaning which will be implemented soon. The 1st event since the second closure will take place today and he is working with the PURA staff for the presentation to the City Council on January 25th.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ralph Williams, Treasurer, shared that the Convention Center should investigate putting filters in the HVAC systems that kill COVID and other viruses.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the Tuesday, January 12, 2021, Regular Board Meeting was made by Ralph Williams, Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Don Banner, Commissioner. Dave Abeyta, Chairman, adjourned the Tuesday, January 12, 2021, Regular Board Meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Cherish K. Deeg
Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority
Operations Director