

Golden Urban Renewal Authority

City of Golden, Colorado

Business Meeting

October 9, 2006

The Golden Urban Renewal Authority of the City of Golden, County of Jefferson, State of Colorado, met on the above date in the City of Golden Conference Room at 911 - 10th Street, Golden, Colorado, at the hour of 6:30 p.m. Commissioners present were:

Paul Imse	Roya Stanley	A.J. Johnston	Preston Driggers	Ted Bickart

Tiberi and de Graaf were absent. Mark Heller, Debbie Rainguet, Councilor Oxman and Don Brinkman were also present.

Approval of Minutes

Bickart requested a motion to approve the business meeting minutes of September 25, 2006. **Driggers MOVED to approve the business meeting minutes. Johnston SECONDED.** There was discussion regarding LaSalle Bank. **All Commissioners present agreed as corrected.**

Public Comment – Don Brinkman, architect and Golden property owner, commented on the lack of safe pedestrian access from neighborhoods north of Hwy. 58 to downtown Golden and the need for more signage and an enhanced gateway into the City from Hwy. 58. There was discussion regarding CDOT's plan to build a new Hwy. 58 and Washington Avenue bridge and the City's plan to incorporate improved pedestrian and bicycle access. Councilor Oxman discussed the bridge design process and suggested resources for following and participating in the bridge project as it moves forward.

Reports of Committees/Matters for the Authority

Finance Committee – None

Human Resources Committee – None

Communications Committee – None

Development & Operations –

2006 Work Plan update and 2007 Work Plan discussion – There was discussion regarding the work plan and how it is organized. Heller clarified that the categories in the plan correspond to the City's Comprehensive Plan. Topics discussed included communications; the annual report; community relations; property owner outreach; traffic concerns; pedestrian friendly signage; gateway opportunities; historic preservation planning; façade program; banners; parking; housing; development of the Green Center; bus service; energy efficiency and sustainability programs; public improvement programs; the pocket park and holiday lighting and activities; office staffing; creative strategies for business outreach; and the status of the Downtown Task Force. There was discussion regarding developing a strategy for redevelopment of the Green Center, the reinvestment fund, EDComm, and the responsibility for business retention and attraction.

Heller updated the Board on the status of Gateway Station and advised that a Construction Update link was added to the GURA website to provide information about street closures and construction impacts.

Heller will reorganize, edit and enlarge the work plan based on the discussion including re-inserting items that were moved to 2008, adding an icon to identify Downtown Task Force items, and refining the budgeted amounts. Heller suggested that line item priorities be evaluated at the next meeting.

Other Business – None

Commissioners Concerns – None

Staff Report – None

Public Comment – None

Adjourn

There being no further business, Bickart called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Johnston MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Stanley SECONDED. All Commissioners present agreed.** Bickart adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Mark Heller
Executive Director

Theodore A. Bickart
Chair

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