



**Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 9, 2017
12:00 PM
Pueblo Convention Center
320 Central Main**

MEETING CALLED BY

Don Banner, Chairman, called the Tuesday, May 9, 2017 Regular Board Meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Patrick Avalos, Don Banner, Marlene Bregar, Rita Gersick, Meagan Koncilja, Betty Martinez, Sal Pace, Ralph Williams, Lori Winner

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Dave Abeyta, Louie Carleo, Beth Gladney, Bob Schilling

STAFF PRESENT

Tony Acri, Cherish Deeg, Andrea DelaGarza

STAFF ABSENT

Jerry Pacheco

GUESTS PRESENT

Lynn Clark, Felipe Garcia, Jim Munch, Doug Piersel, Dennis Darrow, Ted Freeman

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority (PURA) Tuesday, May 9, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Agenda as presented was made by Rita Gersick, Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Ralph Williams, Commissioner. The motion passes unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Ted Freeman, Pueblo Citizen, shared his concerns about the Professional Bull Riders (PBR) and the representation that they have been a good partner with Pueblo.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee

Dave Abeyta, Treasurer, was not in attendance. Don Banner, Chairman, stated that the meeting minutes are in the packet with all pertinent information included

Pueblo Convention Center Committee

Beth Gladney, Committee Chairman, was not in attendance. Don Banner, Chairman, stated that the meeting minutes are in the packet with all pertinent information included.

Regional Tourism Act Committee

Louie Carleo, Committee Chairman, was not in attendance. Ralph Williams, Committee Vice-Chairman, stated that the board should be aware that the committee voted to spend \$50,000 of the budgeted special projects in Downtown Expanded to begin the Police Annex Demolition. He continued by stating there are continued confidential conversations between the City of Pueblo, PURA and the Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT) regarding the Pueblo Regional Tourism Act Project. He

invited all to attend the Thursday, May 18, 2017, OEDIT Economic Development Commission Board Meeting to show Pueblo's support for the Regional Tourism Act Project.

Property Improvement Committee

Betty Martinez, Vice-Chairman, stated that the committee has met and they will be working diligently to get the program ready for advertising and press release to compile applications for review.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda approval to accept and file the following:

- Tuesday, April 11, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- Monday, April 17, 2017 Board Special Meeting Minutes
- Saturday, April 22, 2017 Board Retreat 2017 Meeting Minutes
- Monday, April 10, 2017, Executive Committee Minutes
- Friday, April 28, 2017, Finance Committee Minutes
- March 2017 Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority Operating Statements
- Wednesday, April 26, 2017 Pueblo Convention Center Committee Minutes
- March 2017 Pueblo Convention Center Operating Statements
- Monday, April 10, 2017, Regional Tourism Act Project Committee Minutes
- Wednesday, April 26, 2017 Property Improvement Committee Minutes

A motion to approve the consent agenda and all items included was made by Meagan Koncilja, Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Ralph Williams, Commissioner. The motion passes unanimously.

2016 AUDIT PRESENTATION

Ty Holman, Haynie and Company CPA Representative, gave the high level overview of the 2016 Audit. He shared they are giving an unmodified or clean opinion. He reviewed the audit adjustments, significant deficiency, and financial highlights. Discussion followed on the auditor's opinion that PURA is doing what it should be, finalizing process, and upcoming audit changes followed.

A motion to approve and file the 2016 Audit subject to final approval of the Executive Committee was made by Ralph Williams, Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Betty Martinez, Commissioner. The motion passes unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

None were presented.

DIRECTORS AND PARTNER REPORTS

Pueblo Convention Center Report

Felipe Garcia, Pueblo Convention Center (PCC) Assistant General Manager, shared they are working to complete the approved capital expenditures and projects for the 2017 year. In addition they will be purchasing a trailer to store the old chairs so the current storage areas can house the new chairs.

Historic Arkansas Riverwalk Project Report

Jim Munch, Historic Arkansas Riverwalk of Pueblo (HARP) Executive Director, stated the Riverwalk summer season had a great kick off. The Visitor Center remodel is complete just in time for the Boats, Bands and BBQ event. He stated that in the recent wind storm the main stage cover has been lost and more permanent structures are being explored. The patio space between Main St. and Union Avenue is being expanded as well as permanent festive lighting.

Secretary's Report

Jerry M. Pacheco, Executive Director, was not in attendance. Cherish K. Deeg, Operations Coordinator, stated that Jerry M. Pacheco, Executive Director, was attending an APA National Conference and will return on Thursday, May 11, 2017. She continued by sharing that PURA is continuing to work with Pueblo County on what role PURA will play in the execution of Ballot 1A Projects and that the Main Street Parking Garage Bond Refinance will be completed shortly.

Chairman's Report

Don Banner, Chairman, stated that he had nothing additional to report at this time other than the OEDIT has accepted the PBR Lease.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

No discussion took place.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the Tuesday, May 9, 2017, Regular Board Meeting was made by Ralph Williams, Commissioner. The motion was seconded by Meagan Koncilja, Commissioner. The motion passes unanimously. Don Banner, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 12:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Cherish K. Deeg, Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority Operations Coordinator