



Colorado Springs

El Paso County

Manitou Springs

Green Mountain Falls

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, July 28, 2005**

**8:00 a.m.**

**El Paso County Board of County Commissioners Hearing Room  
27 E. Vermijo Street, Colorado Springs**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**El Paso County Directors**

**Commissioner Wayne Williams, Vice-Chair**

Commissioner Sallie Clark

Commissioner Dennis Hisey

**City of Manitou Springs Director**

Mayor Marcy Morrison

**City of Colorado Springs Directors**

**Mayor Lionel Rivera, Chair**

Vice-Mayor Larry Small

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**City of Colorado Springs Directors**

Councilmember Jerry Heimlicher

**Town of Green Mountain Falls Director**

Mayor Tyler Stevens

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Ms. Barb Louricas, Recording Secretary

Ms. Beverly Majewski, Finance Director

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg, Program/Contract Manager

Others present

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Colorado Springs Director Rivera established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Colorado Springs Director Small made a motion to approve the agenda. El Paso County Director Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

There were no comments.

**4. CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS CONTRACTS**

Mr. Ron Mitchell, City of Colorado Springs Public Works Director, indicated that the contracts were presented to the Pikes Peak RTA Citizens Advisory Committee on July 27, 2005 and the CAC has some safety concerns

on the design of contract number 2, pedestrian bridge design for US 24 and Cimarron Street, therefore, he is removing contract #2 from the approval list; and also removing the United Rentals portion of contract number 6 from the approval list. Mr. Mitchell described the remainder of the contracts requiring approval.

El Paso County Director Clark inquired about the comments of the Citizen Advisory Committee regarding the pedestrian bridge at US 24 and Cimarron Street. Mr. Mitchell responded that the Citizens Advisory Committee requested that the City review the design of the six foot width that will be shared by both pedestrian traffic and bicycle traffic. El Paso County Director Clark said she wants to enter into discussions with the City of Manitou Springs Mayor Morrison regarding the coordination of funding the sidewalk and curb and gutter construction for the best use of Pikes Peak RTA funds. Mr. Mitchell said that the City of Colorado Springs is willing to meet with the groups. Manitou Springs Director Morrison provided detailed information about the history of construction and the location of curbs and sidewalks.

Colorado Springs Director Small made a motion to approve the contracts with the exception of contract number T003852 (contract number 2) and contract number R003758-United Rentals that is part of contract number 6. El Paso County Director Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **5. IGA WITH BAPTIST ROAD RURAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

Mr. Rick Sonnenburg indicated that the IGA with the Baptist Road Rural Transportation Authority (BRRTA) has been reviewed by the Pikes Peak RTA staff and the Pikes Peak RTA attorney. Mr. Sonnenburg indicated that both are recommending its approval. Mr. Sonnenburg introduced Mr. Jim Hunsaker, attorney for BRRTA.

El Paso County Director Williams made a motion to approve the IGA with the Baptist Road Rural Transportation Authority. El Paso County Director Hisey seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **6. BAPTIST ROAD RURAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

### Contract

Mr. Hunsaker said that the contract in the packet was a portion of the full contract and will be amended to include the Pikes Peak RTA. The responsibilities of each entity will be outlined in the contract.

### Land Acquisition Payments

El Paso County Director Williams made a motion to approve item number 6B, the request of land acquisition payments on behalf of the Baptist Road Rural Transportation Authority for the amount not to exceed \$1,154,940. El Paso County Director Clark seconded the motion.

Mr. John McCarty, El Paso County Department of Transportation Director, reported on the Federal land acquisition process. Colorado Springs Director Rivera asked for confirmation that the amount requested is within the budget amounts for the project approved for 2005. Mr. McCarty confirmed that the amount is within the approved 2005 budget amount for the project.

Colorado Springs Director Rivera indicated that the Baptist Road Land Acquisition spreadsheet would be Attachment 1 to the minutes.

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## Other-Design and Engineering Costs to PBS&J

Mr. Hunsaker requested an additional amount of \$167,579.11 be paid to PBS&J for design and engineering costs. The amount of funding will be used to complete the final design drawings so that an RFP process for construction bids may be started in October. The project completion date is expected to be late 2006.

El Paso County Director Williams made a motion to approve the amount of \$167,579.11 to be paid to PBS&J. Colorado Springs Director Small seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **7. PIKES PEAK RTA MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

El Paso County Director Clark requested information from Ms. Majewski about the banking services. Ms. Majewski indicated that the banking services contract would be provided at the August 10 regular meeting.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

Colorado Springs Director Small made a motion to adjourn the meeting. El Paso County Director Dennis Hisey seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote, and Colorado Springs Director Rivera adjourned the meeting at 8:25 a.m.