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Minutes of the Special (Zoom) Meeting Of the Board of Directors Edwards Metropolitan District December 10, 2020

A Special (Zoom) Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Edwards Metropolitan District, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on December 10, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. via an online Zoom meeting, in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado.

Attendance The following Directors were present and acting:

- Kara Heide
- Mick Woodworth
- Todd Williams
- Mike Trueblood
- Beth Reilly

Also in attendance were:

- Rickie Davies, Eagle County Engineering
- Kevin Sharkey, ECO Trails
- Kim Schlaepfer, Climate Action Collaborative
- Joanna Kerwin, Edwards Resident
- Ken Marchetti, Marchetti & Weaver, LLC
- Meghan Hayes, Recording Secretary for the meeting

Call To Order

The Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of Edwards Metropolitan District was called to order by Director Reilly on December 10, 2020 at 12:03 p.m. noting a quorum was present.

Changes to the

Agenda Director Reilly requested that an update about the Climate Action Collaborative Workgroup she is involved with be added to Board member discussion.

Public Input Joanna Kerwin notified the Board that she attended the County Commissioners meeting for the Mtn Hive Land Use Application. The meeting was tabled until January 20, 2021.

Legal There was no legal input at this time.

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ECO Trails Funding Request

Kevin Sharkey, ECO Trails Program Manager, submitted a written funding request during our October meeting. He returned to this meeting to formally ask for a contribution of \$7,264, 50% of the cost for asphalt repair along the trail in Miller Ranch. Work included removing over 40 cottonwood trees, asphalt patch (removal and replacement), and Mastik sealing. The Board decided to discuss this request in Executive Session.

Climate Action Collaborative Transportation Study Results

Kim Schlaepfer presented the results of the Climate Action Collaborative's Transportation Study. The study was conducted to help determine what commuting options are most viable vs not viable in each community, determine barriers and benefits for smart commuting options, determine if access to parking influences commuting behavior and to ascertain a baseline commuting behavior as a County and by community. The key takeaways were that 47% of the community are concerned with climate change and a good percentage of people are willing to leave their car at home two times a week. The Collaborative suggested the following from the Edwards Metro District

#1 Encourage local businesses to adopt a telecommute/flexible work schedule policy to allow employees to work from home.

#2 Pursue an e-bike share program with partners, specifically up-valley communities.

#3 Work to provide transit service large residential zones with a focus on winter service.

#4 Work with regional transportation service to ensure all large commercial zones are serviced by valley-wide bus service

#5 Continue to explore parking restrictions in the commercial core of Edwards to encourage commuting alternatives.

Director Reilly pointed out that the Edwards Metro District has budgeted monies for E-Bikes in 2021. There was discussion on what those monies could be used for and it was determined that a rebate program would be the best way to help our community members purchase e-bikes. Director Williams and Director Trueblood will be reaching out to local bike shops to gauge their interest with working with the

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District and Meghan Hayes was directed to work with Kim to engage other towns and municipalities.

West Edwards Improvement

Updates Rickie Davies, Eagle County Engineering, presented the results of the virtual public meeting for improvements being considered in West Edwards that was held this fall. The factors most people were concerned with for this stretch on road is safety, mobility and traffic operations. Mr. Davies confirmed that the roundabout at Bramble Bush was taken off the table in response to the letter he received from the Edwards Metro District. Mr. Davies reported that they are still working out the best solution for access to the mobile home park.

Brett Ranch Tract J

Mr. Marchetti presented the results of Alpine Engineering's assessment of the Brett Ranch Tract J parcel located at the potential intersection of Highway 6 and Bramble Bush. It was determined that most of this property is located outside the 100-year floodplain and wetlands boundary. And considering the County's requirement for a 50-foot buffer to the wetlands, there is not much that can be done in order to make the property more buildable. If the District wants to look into potential development of this parcel, there would be additional studies and mapping required but otherwise this parcel has the ability to be developed.

Director Reilly requested that bat and bird houses be installed on this parcel. Meghan Hayes was tasked with coordinating project.

2020 Audit Engagement Letter

Chadwick, Steinkirchner, Davis & Co. (CSD) audited the District's financial statements in 2019. CSD submitted an Engagement Letter to audit the District's 2020 financial statements at the same fee. After discussion and by motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve Chadwick, Steinkirchner, Davis, & Co. to complete the District's 2020 audit as outlined in the engagement letter.

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Urban Land Institute

Presentation In November 2019, Eagle County invited the Urban Land Institute (“ULI”) to conduct a Technical Advisory Panel workshop to provide recommendations on responsible use of land and sustainable community living for the West Edwards area. Eagle County Public Health presented the findings to the Board of County Commissioners. The presentation was included in the board packet for the Board to review. The Board directed Meghan Hayes to reach out to Eagle County to further clarify what projects/action items they are requesting the Edwards Metro District be involved with. Ms. Hayes will also invite the County to participate in a future meeting.

Student Totem Poles

Director Reilly would like to continue working with the youth in our community by engaging them to create totem poles similar to those at Berry Creek Middle School. She suggested we work with the school once they are back to in-person learning. Director Williams notified the board that he has gotten permission from Holy Cross to paint the electrical boxes around Riverwalk. He suggested that we reach out to the youth to participate in this project.

CAC Workgroup Update

Director Reilly participates with the Climate Action Collaborative in their waste subcommittee. Their goal is to get 80% of the organics out of the landfill by 2030. In order to help with this goal, she suggested that we continue to work with Vail Honeywagon on composting efforts within our community. Meghan Hayes notified the board that she has been trying to communicate with Vail Honeywagon with no success. Kem Marchetti offered to help by reaching out to his contact to gain some direction.

Minutes The Board reviewed the October 15, 2020 Regular Meeting minutes. By motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the October 15, 2020 Regular Meeting minutes

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Minutes The Board reviewed the November 12, 2020 Special Meeting minutes. By motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the November 12, 2020 Special Meeting minutes

**Accounts
Payable**

The Board reviewed the November and December 2020 accounts payable lists and by motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously

RESOLVED to ratify the November 2020 accounts payable list as presented and;

FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the December 2020 accounts payable list as presented.

**Financial
Statements**

By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously

RESOLVED to accept the District's November 2020 financial statements as presented.

Sales Tax

Ken Marchetti reported that sales taxes have continued to come in more favorable than previously anticipated. A report showing sales taxes received by category and by month has been created to help monitor sales tax fluctuations. A discussion ensued regarding long range planning for the expenditure of the sales tax funds. The Board agreed that a half-diamond interchange at I-70 and Hillcrest was an important project to continue studying. Director Heide volunteered to reach out to her contacts at the railroad as the first step in moving forward.

**West End
Subdistrict
Update**

Matt Larsen provided a written update that was included in the board packet. The Board noted that no progress has been made and requested that Mr. Larsen be present for the next meeting.

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Executive Session

By motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to enter into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e) to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and instructing negotiators.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 2:15 p.m. and by motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve the ECO Trails funding request of \$7,246.

Miller Ranch Funding

The Board discussed potential funding partners for the Miller Ranch Lighting Project. They instructed Meghan Hayes to look into grant opportunities through CDOT and GOCO. It was decided a more in-depth discussion was needed so this will be added as a agenda item at the next meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, by motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously

RESOLVED to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Edwards Metropolitan District Board of Directors this 10th day of December, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Meghan Hayes
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Recording Secretary for the Meeting