



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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TO: Board of County Commissioners
Scott Vargo
Jeff Huntley
FROM: Dori Jensen
RE: Work Session Meeting of September 6, 2016
DATE: September 6, 2016

Elected Officials: Karn Stiegelmeier, Dan Gibbs and Thomas C. Davidson – Commissioners

Staff: Scott Vargo, County Manager; Jeff Huntley, County Attorney; Thad Noll, Assistant County Manager; Sarah Vaine, Assistant County Manager; Gary Martinez, Special Projects, Marty Ferris, Finance Director; Julie Sutor, Public Affairs Coordinator; Joanne Sprouse, Director of Social Services, Michael Whitaker, Self Sufficiency Manager; Alan Hanson, Senior Planner; Don Reimer, Senior Planner, Traci Matlock, Senior Bookkeeper, Jeremy Voge, Assistant Finance Director; and Dori Jensen, Deputy Clerk.

Guests: Bill Jackson, District Ranger, and Sam Massmann, Snow Ranger, Dillon District Office, U.S. Forest Service; Gary Rodgers, Chris Coleman, Shawn McDonald, and Graeme Bilenduke, Copper Mountain Resort; Alan Henceroth, Arapahoe Basin; Kelly Owens and Travis Beck, SE Group Mountain Resort Planners; and Sarah Kurts and David DeZutter, Eide Bally CPAs & Business Advisors.

The Work Session convened at 9:04 AM.

I. Potential Increase in Federal Poverty Level (FPL) Ceiling for Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP) (Economic Security / Human Services)

Joanne Sprouse and Michael Whitaker reported that the current entry level Federal Poverty Level (FPL) for the Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP) in Summit County is 175% and the exit FPL is 185%. The 175% rate had an effective date of May 1, 2013. After reviewing the current FPL they were proposing an increase in the FPL ceiling to 190% with the exit rate also being 190%. They explained their rationale for the increase, and the anticipated impact on Summit County's CCCAP budget and services.

This measure requires approval by the County Commissioners, then the State CCCAP, and finally implemented into the system that manages CCCAP benefits.

II. Copper Mountain Environmental Assessment for on-mountain improvements (Planning)

Alan Hanson, Senior Planner, reported on Copper Mountain Resort's Environmental Assessment for on-mountain improvements that include an Alpine Coaster, one mountain bike trail, and snowmaking

infrastructure to provide an additional 20 acres of snowmaking coverage.

Bill Jackson, District Ranger, Dillon Ranger District, explained that the project is currently in a 30 day comment period, a decision notice will be issued in early November; which will kick off a 45 day comment period with a final decision to be made in early 2017.

Kelly Owens responded to questions and comments during the presentation.

Alan Hanson's direction from the Commissioners was to prepare and circulate a letter of support for Copper Mountain's proposed on-mountain projects

III. USFS Draft Environmental Impact Statement / Final Environmental Impact Statement – A-Basin Ski Resort Expansion (Planning)

Alan Hanson, Senior Planner, reported on Arapahoe Basin Ski Resort's proposed expansion to provide snow safety operations and ski patrol services in the Beavers, enhancing access in Montezuma Bowl, and upgrading and removing chairlifts, which is currently in the objection period. This was the Commissioners opportunity to file an objection to the proposed expansion. No letter is required if no objections are filed.

Alan Henceroth and Travis Beck responded to questions and comments from the Commissioners and Ms. Vaine.

No objections were filed by the Commissioners at today's meeting.

After a brief recess the work session reconvened at 10:55 AM

IV. County Financial 2015 Audit Report (Finance)

Marty Ferris introduced Sarah Kurts and David DeZutter who updated the Commissioners on the 2015 audit report and compliance audit for Summit County's grant programs. Their audit of the 2015 financial statements resulted in a clean opinion with no audit adjustments. Their compliance audit regarding grant programs found Summit County to be a low risk auditee based on Federal awards amounting to \$750k and higher dollar amounts.

V. Manager's & Commissioners' Issues

Sarah Vaine outlined the agenda for the upcoming September 20th meeting as the Board of Social Services.

Marty Ferris updated the Commissioners on funding opportunities for the Lake Hill work force housing project.

Thad Noll reported that Summit County could be eligible for funds related to Volkswagen's terms of settlement with U.S. authorities due to violations related to emission testing. If awarded the funds would need to be applied a clean air type of project.

He also updated them on the design and construction of the transit center, and the 106 West Triathlon to be hosted by the Town of Dillon this upcoming weekend that will begin and end at the Dillon Marina.

Gary Martinez reported that the last open house for the Lake Hill project is scheduled for September 7th and a presentation on the project will be made to the Frisco Town Council on September 28th.

He also sent a memo to file regarding the timing of payments from Denver Water pursuant to the terms of the Colorado River Cooperative Agreement.

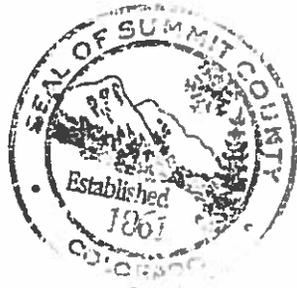
The Commissioners reviewed calendars.

The work session ended at 11:54 AM

Respectfully submitted:



Dori Jensen, Deputy Clerk



Approved by:



Thomas C. Davidson, Chair

