



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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TO: Board of County Commissioners
Scott Vargo
Jeff Huntley
FROM: Sara R. Lopez
RE: Work Session Meeting of November 12, 2019
DATE: November 12, 2019

Attendees:

Elected Officials: Thomas C. Davidson, Karn Stiegelmeier and Elisabeth Lawrence – Commissioners

Staff: Scott Vargo, County Manager; Jeff Huntley, County Attorney; Bentley Henderson, Assistant County Manager; Sarah Vaine; Assistant County Manager; Marty Ferris, Finance Director; Julie Sutor, Director of Communications; Tom Gosiorowski, Public Works Director; Jim Curnutte, Community Development Director and Sara R Lopez, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Deepan Dutta, Dan Schroder, Corry Mihm, Sue Greene, Tim Orwick and Neil Groundwater.

I. Public and other Comments on Proposed 2020 Budget

Marty Ferris, Tom Gosorowski, Bentley Henderson and Scott Vargo gave a digital presentation including, but not limited to:

- Eliminate the 1-year waiting period to 401a Employee Contributions Changes
- The Per Diem meal reimbursement rate will be adjusted to Denver's daily rate of \$76 as of January 1, 2020
- Overview of Snake River Water 2020 projects
- Planned road improvements
- Overview of Road and Bridge Mill Levi
- SCRAP
 - A new cell had to be built due to a higher-than-expected amount of waste from construction projects and households. The cell is about 75% complete.
 - Plans to build a Convenience Center to make it easier for people to drop off recyclable and hazardous materials
- Transit:
 - Electric buses to be delivered in March.
 - Two new Paraservice buses to serve wheelchair-bound customers have been ordered and will be delivered in about three months.
- Overview of Nicotine Tax

The 2020 proposed budget will be updated to reflect changes and the final version will be presented at the December 10, 2019 BOCC Regular meeting.

II. Colorado Master Gardener Program

Dan Schroder from the Colorado Master Gardener Program stopped by to inform Commissioners that the Summit County's Master Gardener Program has been closed due to lack of participation. The program can be reopened in the future.

III. Summit Public Radio & TV (SPRTV) Power the Towers Project Update (Corry Mihm)

Corry Mihm along with SPRTV Board members gave a digital presentation on topics including but not limited to:

Update on the "Power the Towers for Another 60 Years" project on Baldy Mountain that began in 2013, and completion of the installation of switching and metering cabinets.

The group also updated Commissioners on their new power line project, and the route adjustment that could result in cost-savings. They are waiting for a decision from the US Forest Service (USFS) on easement agreements to access, restoration of ground and construction locations. This decision will determine the timing of installation of the power line, which is currently anticipated for summer of 2020 if USFS approvals are rendered by then. Commissioners offered to write a letter to the USFS supporting the project.

In closing, they gave an update on the project funding so far, including the amount raised, the amount left to complete and potential sources for the final phase. The group requested assistance with future funding of the project.

IV. Managers' and Commissioners' Issues

Senior Management and Commissioners gave various updates on topics including but not limited to:

- Scholarship agreement with CMC vs Western University.
- Overview of additional terms to Deed Restrictions Covenants and *Housing Helps* Guidelines
- The County has reached a tentative agreement with Denver Water and will be moving forward with the Silverthorne Recycling Center project. The goal is to have it up and running by the end of 2019.
- Sarah Vaine gave an update on the Carriage House remodel project and noted that the project has seen a significant increase from \$17,000 to \$45,000. The Carriage House has agreed to take on additional Head Start students due to the improvements at the facility, and Ms. Vaine proposed that the County contribute \$30,000 (through the Right Start & Strong Futures funds). The remaining \$15,000 will come from other sources. The BOCC in their capacity agreed to contribute the additional funds needed. The BOCC also discussed terms of their agreement with Carriage House.
- The Commissioners Corner SCTV taping appearances have been canceled for the month of November.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by:



Sara Lopez, Deputy Clerk

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Thomas C. Davidson, Chair