

Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado, February 20, 2002

Minutes of a Regular meeting of the **ESTES PARK URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY** of the Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado. Meeting held in the Municipal Building in said Town of Estes Park on the 20th day of February, 2002.

Committee: Steve Jackson, Tamara Jarolimek, Richard S. Putney, Paula Steige, Gerald W. Swank, Al Wasson, Rich Widmer

Attending: All

Also Attending: Executive Director Smith, Clerk O'Connor

Absent: None

Chairman Putney called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

AGENDA.

Chairman Putney stated the Commission may postpone Item 9, Resolution No. 310.

MINUTES.

It was **moved and seconded** (Widmer/Swank) **the minutes of the regular meeting held December 19, 2001 be approved**, and it passed unanimously.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS.

Commissioner Wasson commented that during his recent travels, it appears a significant population shift is taking place with the populace moving out of central states to both coasts.

Chairman Putney commented that in his recent trip to southern California, development is exploding with out much planning.

RESOLUTION #307 – DESIGNATION OF PUBLIC POSTING PLACE.

Exec. Dir. Smith read Resolution #307 designating the lobby area immediately adjacent to the Administrative Offices as the area for posting notices of meetings of EPURA. It was **moved and seconded** (Swank/Wasson) **Resolution No. 307 be approved**, and it passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION #308 ENDORSING A REQUEST TO ILLUMINATE SCULPTURES IN RIVERSIDE PLAZA.

Executive Director Smith reported on a request from Judy Archibald to illuminate the bronze cougar statue located in Riverside Plaza. Due to precedent (Samson and the Big Horn Sheep), and to further enhance the evening ambiance in the Plaza, staff prepared a resolution that includes illumination of the bronze eagle sculpture.

Dir. Smith read Resolution #308, and it was **moved and seconded** (Steige/Swank) **Resolution #308 be approved**, and it passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION #309 APPROVING A WORK PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002.

Dir. Smith read Resolution #309 approving said work program, incorporating Performance Park, including a kayak course, Tallant Park Parking, Wiest Parking Expansion, and Bob's Amoco Site Redevelopment.

Commissioners expressed concern with approving the Resolution in its present form due to perception that the four identified projects would thereby be approved without benefit of

confirmed design, specific project costs, and funding. While the work plan gives the Exec. Dir. direction, Chairman Putney suggested the following amendment:

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Estes Park Urban Renewal Authority that:

“Contingent upon available funding and acceptance by the EPURA Commissioners of final design and cost of each element of the work program, EPURA approves the FY 2002 work program, entitled “EPURA Work Program, FY2002”, which is incorporated as a part of this resolution by reference.”

It was moved and seconded (Jarolimek/Steige) Resolution #309, as amended, be approved, and it passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION #310 – APPROVING CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION OF CONSTRUCTION FOR PERFORMANCE PARK, A KAYAK COURSE AND AN INTERPRETATIVE WALKWAY.

In light of Resolution #309 reference above, Chairman Putney stated EPURA would not take action on Resolution #310 at this time. A brief discussion followed on liability concerns pertaining to the kayak course.

STAFF REPORT/ PROJECTS.

Staff Report. Director Smith advised that he and Chairman Putney will present the work program to the Town Board at their meeting scheduled 2/26/02. This presentation is a significant component to obtain Town Board consensus and input on how proceed. Following Town Board consensus, EPURA will plan a work session in the vicinity of Performance Park.

Consultant Arne Ray has arranged for a meeting with EPURA representatives and a grant specialist to discuss project eligibility for GoCo funding or other financial assistance. The application submittal deadline for GoCo is mid-spring, with a decision reached by mid-summer.

The Colorado Court of Appeals has reached a monumental decision determining that urban renewal authorities are not subject to TABOR. All Commissioners were encouraged to read this decision.

Project Report. Szymanski/Ray has contacted 3 categories of possible users for the Bob's Amoco site; a progress report will be submitted end of February. Six monitoring stations are in place and pending no significant contamination readings, no further cleanup may be required.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Under 24-6-402(4)(e), C.R.S., determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and instruction negotiators, it was **moved and seconded (Wasson/Swank) EPURA go into Executive Session to discuss to discuss said item listed above**, and it passed unanimously.

Whereupon Chairman Putney adjourned the regular meeting to Executive Session at 8:36 a.m.

Vickie O'Connor, CMC, Town Clerk