

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado, January 21, 2004

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 21st day of January 2004.

Committee: Chairman Putney, Commissioners Jarolimek, Little, Steige, Swank, Wasson, Widmer

Attending: Chairman Putney, Commissioners Jarolimek, Steige, Wasson, Widmer

Also Attending: Executive Director Smith, Business Development Director Pickering, and Deputy Clerk van Deutekom

Absent: Commissioners Little and Swank

Chairman Putney called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

MINUTES.

It was **moved and seconded** (Steige/Widmer) **the minutes of the regular meeting held December 17, 2003 be approved**, and it passed unanimously.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS.

None.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS.

Commissioner Widmer noted that sales tax revenues for November are up 11.9% bringing the year-to-date revenues up 2.5% from the previous year.

STAFF REPORT/ PROJECTS.

Executive Director's Report. 1) Director Smith briefed the board on current state legislation regarding eminent domain. The Colorado Municipal League (CML) anticipates several bills this legislative session aimed at curbing eminent domain activities. CML has retained a public relations firm to provide legislators with the positive aspects of eminent domain. The cost of these services is \$20,000 and contributions are being solicited to offset these costs. 2) The Art Center of Estes Park is sponsoring the "Enos Mills and Scotch" sculpture dedication on January 31st at 1:30 in Bond Park. A reception will follow the dedication and will be held in the Municipal Building. 3) An article highlighting the new Kayak Course will be featured in the May edition of *Sunset Magazine*. 4) The annual planning/goal-setting session will be held at the Rocky Mountain Field Seminar & Conference Center on January 30th beginning at noon. 5) To commemorate Rotary International's 100 Years of Service, the Rotary's Community Project Committee is proposing the construction of a Knoll/Willows Overlook. The cost of the project is estimated at \$21,000 and construction should be completed by fall 2004.

Discussion of Upcoming Economic Development Opportunities. Director Pickering briefed the Board on the Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) structure and activities. Areas discussed include the 2003 trends, fulfillment program, Chamber of Commerce issues, formation of a Marketing Board, advertising, group sales, visitor services, CVB relocation to the Chamber building, signage, and parking.

CML Contribution Request – Request Approval. As indicated above, contributions to cover the costs of communicating to state legislators the positive aspects of eminent domain are being solicited by CML. It was **moved and seconded** (Wasson/Jarolimek) **that \$1,000 be provided to CML for public relations efforts regarding eminent domain**, and it passed unanimously.

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RESOLUTION #345 – CONTRACT TO PROCEED WITH DESIGN OF RESTROOM FACILITIES FOR PERFORMANCE PARK. Director Smith read Resolution #345 approving a contract from Thorp Associates to proceed with the design of restroom facilities (to include a drinking fountain) to serve the Performance Park area for a fee not to exceed \$6,500, plus reimbursable expenses. It was **moved and seconded** (Steige/Wasson) **Resolution #345 be approved as presented**, and it passed unanimously. Director Smith was authorized to involve Heath Construction in the design process and to expedite construction of the facility. This fee will be expended from EPURA reserves and not bond funds.

There being no further business, Chairman Putney adjourned the meeting at 8:47 a.m.

The next regular meeting will be February 18, 2004.

Rebecca van Deutekom, CMC, Deputy Town Clerk