



July 22, 2020

Mr. Michael Montgomery, Deputy City Council Administrator
City of Colorado Springs
Colorado Springs, CO 80903
107 N. Nevada Ave. Ste. 300
RE: Downtown BID open board positions

Dear Mr. Montgomery:

The Greater Downtown Colorado Springs Business Improvement District had four board openings in July 2020, due to the completion of one three-year term by Simon Penner; the completion two, three-year terms by Luke Travins and Craig Ralston; and the resignation earlier this year of Tim O'Donnell, who moved out of the area.

Ordinance states that BID board seats be filled by owners or representatives of business property within the BID boundaries. Further, bylaws require seats be filled by specific industries and qualities, such as retail, restaurant and size of property. Terms are for three years, and may be renewed for a second three-year term before exiting the board. BID publicized this board opening on the DowntownCS.com website and through the Downtown e-newsletter, which reaches thousands of people, as well as direct outreach to community members. At its board meeting on July 21, 2020, the board of the BID voted unanimously to recommend to City Council that:

- Simon Penner of Newmark Knight Frank be appointed to a second, three-year term.
- Uyen Le, owner of Beauty Bar and properties to include 26 N. Tejon St., be appointed to fill the general real estate seat vacated by Mr. Ralston.
- Anne Sebastian of Cushman Wakefield, representing the Wells Fargo and First Bank towers, be appointed to fill a seat vacated by Mr. Travins designated for ownership of properties 50,000 sqf or greater.
- Mark Earle, residing at the Giddings Lofts at 108 E. Kiowa St., be appointed to fill the seat vacated by Mr. O'Donnell, designated for a full-time district resident; this partial term ends in 2021, at which point Mr. Earle would be eligible to serve up to two, complete, three-year terms.

All of these candidates bring a wealth of experience and passion for Downtown. Resumes and letters of interest are attached. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan Edmondson".

Susan Edmondson, Downtown BID Executive Director

Ann Sebastian
Cushman & Wakefield
Senior Property Manager

Thank you for considering me for a board position on the BID. I've been working downtown for 26 years and have seen many changes in the landscape.

I have been with Cushman & Wakefield since July of 1994. I am currently the Senior Property Manager and manage over one million square feet of commercial properties listed below:

- Palmer Center located downtown on Cascade Avenue.
- Briargate Office Center located north on Telstar Drive.
- Chidlaw Building located on Bijou Street.
- Centennial Technology Center located on Centennial Blvd.
- VM Business Park located on South Murray.

I have been on the Building Owners and Manager Association (BOMA) board in various positions since 2006 and co-chair the annual charity golf tournament where we raise money to support local charities in the Pikes Peak Region.

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To whom it may concern:

Thank you so much for the opportunity to apply for a board position with the Colorado Springs Business Improvement District. My husband Chris and I own the building and business Beauty Bar located at 26 North Tejon. I opened this business in the fall of 2013. We also own the building 17,19,21, and 23 E Kiowa st. When I started my business here I knew that I loved the urban feel of downtown and was excited by the potential of growth. Over the last 6 plus years, it has been wonderful to watch not only my business but the entire Downtown Colorado Springs area change and grow. We continue to attract some of the best in the country through the restaurants and shops in our area. However, it is the current virus situation that drives my desire to serve the Business Improvement District. Through the last several weeks I have watched what the community can do. As I worked to put loans and grants in place to keep my business operating there were many other business owners that stepped up and helped me out to achieve that end. Now I want to return that gift and continue on what has already been built as we create, together, a strong and growth centered Business District.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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Uyen Le-Morrison

Mark Earle
101 N. Tejon Street Unit 380
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

May 25, 2020

Susan Edmondson
President and CEO
Downtown Partnership
111 South Tejon Street, Suite 703
Colorado Springs CO, 80903

Dear Susan,

Please accept my letter of interest in serving on the board of either the Downtown Development Authority or the Greater Downtown Colorado Springs Business District.

I have thirty years of airport management experience, most of that time at the senior executive level of commercial service airports around the country. Much of my work has involved planning and development of commercial properties in the terminal buildings and business parks associated with the airports where I have served.

I have recently retired from aviation management and consulting and now live in downtown Colorado Springs where I serve as President of the Giddings Lofts HOA. I have been closely following the developments that are transforming the heart of our city and would like to do everything I can to support that effort.

A brief bio is attached for your review. I can provide a detailed resume if needed.

I am available at any time to discuss this opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Earle', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mark Earle
President, Giddings Lofts HOA

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Mark Earle—Project Manager, National Museum of World War II Aviation

Mark Earle is Project Manager for the National Museum of World War II Aviation. He works on a wide range of special projects and handles grant management and governmental affairs work for the museum.

Mr. Earle has 35 years of experience in aviation and airport management, with more than 20 years at the CEO level at commercial service airports in Texas and Colorado. His responsibilities have included development of more than \$500 million in aeronautical infrastructure and commercial assets at airports and business parks under his direction. In addition to his work at the airport level, Mr. Earle has been actively involved in the development and implementation of aviation policy at the state and national levels and has served on numerous aviation industry boards and commissions throughout his career.

Apart from his professional work, Mr. Earle has worked on a number of military history and aviation heritage projects. He led the effort to develop the Silent Wings Museum in Lubbock Texas, a project that documents the history of the U.S. combat glider program in World War II. He was also instrumental in establishment of the National Museum of World War II Aviation in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Mr. Earle holds a BA in Political Science and Business Administration from Texas State University and is actively engaged in research work with the National Academies of Science. In addition to his governmental affairs and special projects work for the National Museum of World War II Aviation, Mr. Earle continues to work as a consultant in the aviation industry.