



City of Colorado Springs

Due to COVID-19 Health
Concerns, this will be a
Remote meeting.

Meeting Minutes - Draft Downtown Review Board

Wednesday, July 1, 2020

8:30 AM

Remote Meeting

Ph: 720-617-3426 Conf ID: 452 119 097#

1. Call to Order

Present: 8 - Doug Hahn, Tiffany Colvert, Randy Case, Stuart Coppedge, Jim Raughton, Kristen Heggem, Darsey Nicklasson and Shawn Gullixson

Excused: 1 - Aaron Briggs

2. Approval of the Minutes

2.A. [DRB 20-341](#) Minutes for the May 6, 2020 Downtown Review Board meeting

Presenter:

Stuart Coppedge, Downtown Review Board Chair

Motion by Hahn, seconded by Case, that this Minutes be approved Approve the May 6, 2020 Downtown Review Board meeting minutes. The motion passed by a vote of

Aye: 7 - Hahn, Colvert, Case, Coppedge, Heggem, Nicklasson and Gullixson

Absent: 1 - Briggs

Recused: 1 - Raughton

3. Communications

Ryan Tefertiller - Urban Planning Manager

Mr. Tefertiller informed the board that Chair Coppedge and Board Member Briggs' term limits are coming up. Mr. Tefertiller explained they would be asked to continue to serve on the board until replacements could be found.

Mr. Tefertiller thanked Stuart for all his time, efforts, and well thought out comments and concerns for all the projects that the Downtown Review Board has seen over the last six years.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

4.A. [AR DP 20-00306](#) A Minor Improvement Plan to allow the renovation of an existing bank building with an associated Warrant for glazing within the Form-Based Zone located at 123 South Weber Street.

Presenter:

Matthew Fitzsimmons, Planner II, Urban Planning Division

This Planning Case was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 4.B.** [DRB CU](#) A minor amendment to the previously approved conditional use to allow
 [13-00117-A1](#) the creation of a new 600 square foot rear patio for Red Swing
 [MN20](#) Brewhouse located at 521 South Tejon Street.

Presenter:

Ryan Tefertiller, Planning Manager, Urban Planning Division

This Planning Case was approved on the Consent Calendar.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion by Hahn, seconded by Raughton, that all matters on the Consent Calendar be passed, adopted, and approved by unanimous consent of the members present. The motion passed by a vote of

Aye: 8 - Hahn, Colvert, Case, Coppedge, Raughton, Heggem, Nicklasson and Gullixson

Absent: 1 - Briggs

ITEMS CALLED OFF CONSENT - None

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

6. NEW BUSINESS CALENDAR - None

7. PRESENTATIONS/UPDATES

- 7.A.** [20-342](#) South Downtown Rail Underpass Project Update

Presenter:

Aaron Egbert, Senior Civil Engineer, Public Works

Aaron Egbert, Public Works Engineering, made a presentation on the South Downtown Railroad Underpass Reconstruction.

Purpose:

The City of Colorado Springs has initiated a study to determine the best approach for optimal location and design of two railroad bridges at the south end of downtown Colorado Springs. The aging bridges over South Nevada Avenue (70 years old) and S. Tejon Street (115 years old) are in poor condition and require replacement.

Goals:

- Gain understanding of the long-term needs and opportunities for this public infrastructure
- Effectively address railroad operational, maintenance and safety needs

- Maintain and improve traffic operations on Nevada Avenue, Tejon Street, and intersecting streets
- Complete a Quiet Zone study and implement the findings
- Address pedestrian and bicycle connectivity and safety across the railroad tracks
- Design bridges and associated improvements that are compatible with and improve access to surrounding neighborhoods and land uses, and are supportive of development opportunities
- Design bridges and underpasses to be welcoming and attractive
- Address cost effectiveness to construct and maintain the bridges
- Develop an improvement program and funding strategy to provide financing through a combination of City, regional, federal, state and railroad sources
- Develop beneficial internal and external City partnerships
- Inform the public and engage stakeholders potentially impacted by the project

Mr. Egbert spoke about alternatives, costs, and progress. Please see his PowerPoint for further details.

8. Adjourn