

# Colorado City Metropolitan District PUBLIC NOTICE BOARD OF DIRECTORS STUDY SESSION

A study session for the Board of Directors of the Colorado City Metropolitan District will be held Tuesday February 27, 2024, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

1. Update on NorthPark sewer line.

Pulled out 4 trees- found joint leaking, cut out section & cleaned. No problems past 2-1/2 weeks. Cold on Tuesday, will see if any additional issue arises. The cleanout in front of Erin's house moved to the field. Three cut outs were installed for the regular cleanouts. Insulated pipe since it was under when culvert drained.

Future plans: will add regular maintenance into diamond maps for regular jetting of line, 4 times a year. Also continue to check on the cottonwood roots regularly and use root kill or copper sulfate as needed. Mr. Golladay stated that they can schedule quarterly also to use enzyme's in line and flush out the grease that might be building in line.

CRWA Notification: CRWA has noticed we are moving forward in a good direction for CCMD.

CCMD has won Water System of the Year, for all our ongoing efforts to get funding and improve our facilities, also Mr. Eccher will be awarded Manager of the Year. Mr. Eccher & Mr. Bailey plan to attend ceremony on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m., we have two add'l tickets available for others to attend.

#### 3. CCAAC Reviews

Mr. Berg checked 3959 McIntire Drive all items completed, passed, and tap fees paid. Recommend approval.

- 4. READING BY CHAIRPERSON OF THE STATEMENT OF CONDUCT AND DEMEANOR.
- 5. CITIZENS INPUT: Greg Colter in attendance no comments this time.

Study Session adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

# **COLORADO CITY METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**

Neil Elliøtt, Chairman

ATTEST:

Clint Gross, Board Member

Approved this 27 day of February 2024

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#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Colorado City Metropolitan District will be held Tuesday February 27, 2024, beginning at 6:13 p.m.

- 1, CALL TO ORDER.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
- MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION.
- 4. QUORUM CHECK

Chairperson Neil Elliot Treasurer Sarah Hunter - Excused Secretary/Co-Chair, Clint Gross Director Greg Collins Director Ray Davis

Also in Attendance:

Jim Eccher, District Manager Yvonne Barron, Finance Director - No Sandi Oglesby, Reception/AR Gary Golladay & Greg Bailey – Water/Sewer Terry Kraus – Newspaper - No

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Davis motioned to amend the agenda, removing item 9c. Mr. Gross seconds the amended agenda motion. Voted called. All Board Members present approved.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

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Mr. Gross motioned to approve minutes. Mr. Collins seconds the motion. Voted called. All Board Members present approved.

# 7. BILLS PAYABLE.

Mr. Collins motioned to pay bills. Mr. Gross seconded the motion. Discussion:

Mr. Collins questioned the Golf Course natural gas bill. The big building has no real insulation. The windows and doors need to be replaced. Will be using CTF funds to replace these this year & possibly add insulation and drywall. When this project is completed, it should bring down the gas bill charges.

ARPA have gotten their money back. Before the price increase from 1M to 2M in 22/23 new line replacement, water/sewer better timeline.

Item 27674 - returned fee on Mastercard. Mr. Eccher to check on.

Oil changes we do for vehicles, not a big cost. What do we do with used oil?

Main Shop maintenance, big jetted & small jetter are kept in in garage to keep from freezing, where we open the door cools down quick with the 16 ft door.

## 8. FINANCIAL REPORT. November 2023 – completed.

Mrs. Barron, working on December financial report now, had some problems with payroll items (i.e. OT & leave calculations). Hope to have those completed this week.

Status on subcontracting out payroll – no date at this time.

Property Liability Insurance is paid annually, once a year.

Safety grant: purchase disposable gloves, jackets, ect. must use funds by March 30. Checking with staff for other safety items needed to use all funds.

Reserve fund balance - Board decision if to be used.

## 9. OPERATIONAL REPORT.

Rate Summary – last month 6K ......gallons was accounted for with meters and district usage.

Made 13M with Cold Springs and main plant trying to get the numbers closer, lots of little leaks finding in lines, not on any paper.

Pueblo way - February 250K lost from leak

Still checking into asphalt/concrete pan with Little Diggers & Pueblo County for line repair. Have 3 values in stock, need 2 more. Emailing Jeremy at Pate for bid.

Report with lawyer on Stewart Ranch situation.

Chairman Elliot questioning if leaks being recorded in Diamond Maps?

Hope to conduct interviews next week for field positions. Actively looking for acceptable new hire that has a CDL already. Drug tests are completed after offer and acceptance of position. CDL training, have to keep manual logs of training & hours on staff.

- a. Beckwith Dam report: 2/14-2/20 lake at 14.1 & 14.4 full report on file.
- b. Committee Reports Neil Newsletter Neil will complete and send to office.

c. Yvonne to address the board – N/A, remove from agenda.

#### 10. ATTORNEY Report: N/A

#### 11. AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Eccher is there any movement on the Dola grant for 1 M? Mr. Eccher to work on this item tomorrow.

Still looking for assistance with grant writing, lots of different pools of funds are available for us to submit applications. Grant (USDA & Dola) writing meeting scheduled for Thursday with the company out of Denver for the CWCB grant that we received.

CCACC:

Discussion/Action

A. New Construction:

1. 3959 McIntire Drive

House

Mr. Gross motioned to approve the new building. Mr. Collins seconds the motion. Voted called. All Board Members present approved.

B. Actions

a. 0 First Letters

b 0 Second letters

c. 0 Third letters

d. 0 Unauthorized Structure

12. OLD BUSINESS. road resolution /Goals and achievement Plan / Strategic plan

Road resolution - still on hold.

The lawyer is looking into water items regarding Stewart Ranch.

Goals & Achievement Plan: Advertisement to be in the paper this weekend – February 29.

Strategic Plan: Currently too busy with other items to work on this project.

Board members stated that CCMD staff need to have another person with a CDL license. Need to motivate current staff to get training, advanced education leads to higher pay.

## 13. NEW BUSINESS:

Update to board regarding the sewer line blockage around golf course: Has not been updated in Diamond Maps yet.

Question of incomplete sewer line on ST Vrien? Manholes are ok, piping is not usable at this time would have to have company complete the job with the bond company paying for the job. Add for discussion under New Business next month.

### 14. CORRESPONDENCE

CCMD did a good job on the last line break on getting the word out quickly on Facebook & nice to receive advice of what to do (i.e.: fill tub, other containers) along with estimated time until repair would be completed, posting of the facts only. Thanks to the field crew for a good job!

Questioned if field staff inputting the line breaks in Diamond Maps?

Neil received correspondence regarding Dark Sky's. Commented that CCMD convenience required downward facing lighting with a lower illumination.

Kaisel building sold to company that will be using for distribution center. Could bring 30-50 new jobs to the area.

There will be a Town Hall in Pueblo on February 29th.

Reception/AR staff receiving a lot of calls regarding tax increase, Pueblo telling them to call us to find out about town growth, commercial expansion as to why taxes increased.

- 15. EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A
- 16. ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Gross motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Collins seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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# 1. Resolution 5-2024 Transfer of CTF Funds

Resolution was for upgrades to parks, playgrounds, campgrounds, golf course satellite boxes and Equipment repairs.

2024 getting more funds from Pueblo CTF funds will be purchasing new & repairing golf course mowers. CCMD asked for 150K received 90K this year.

# 2. Quote to Camera NorthPark sewer line and valving.

Working on quotes for scoping old line, talking with engineering as they have to do scope work anyway. Better to get bid for the work to be done, instead of paying twice.

Quote for two valves (locations: bank & devils triangle area). To replace those two valves is 13k for work only, not the valves.

Has anyone confirmed with legal yet regarding shutting water off at Stewart Ranch and tap for 8" line is 300K. Have they been notified of the change? CCMD has tried to contact in the past, receiving no response back. Eight-inch valve cost is \$5,00.

No quote for Woodbine yet as would have to shut down road (10 days min for concrete). Checking with Pueblo if could replace with asphalt pan.

Trying to get additional bids for other three valves from PATE. We should order the required valves now, so can start the project, also change/add meters all in one process. Think we have two or three valves in stock.

Wagner in Pueblo has a suck pump truck available daily & after hours. Maybe add pressure systems to houses that do not have them.

Cottonwoods along road maybe part of the cause for the sewer line issues. The plan is to cut down & dig up to see if they are part of the cause.

At what point is the restaurant to be closed down if sewer issue is not repaired. The District Manager stated 1 hour, if not fixed by then, Hollydot restaurant would be told to close.

Customers & the board both believe we could be better at communicating the public water/sewer issues. CCMD plans to be better at communicating via Facebook & other sites timely of issues.

# 3. Quotes for USDA Cultural resources Inventory

USDA Grant received two quotes from SWCA & Metcalf-copies in file. Mr. Eccher recommends going with SWCA.

#### 4. Quote for Water Model

It would cost 28K to complete to do the water model, At present time looking at putting in new PRV at the end of Tailly where the new line ended.

Mr. Eccher states he does not recommend, as the only knowledge gained would be help of locating old lines/shut offs. Maybe have this done at a later time.

## 5. Pay Request 14 For ARPA Tank Project

Tanks #1 & #2 are 90% done with painting outside, but need quality control inspection, as can still see primer under the paint.

The current bill is only for the price of materials, not labor.

Do we have any change orders on this job. We are not in continency funds-still with-in Amount budgeted for this project.

# 6. MOU for VFC and Valley First

VFC Memo: for agreement for trails around CCMD. Map on file.

It was brought up the security around water plant would be beneficial to reduce vandalism/theft, if additional trails near water plant. Currently it is cost prohibitive but is included in plans for the new DAF project.

Valley First Memo: for organizing community clean-ups, hosting events & seeking & securing grant funds for revitalization of Greenhorn Meadows Park.

#### 7. CCAAC Reviews

5080 Cuervo Verde: CCAAC has reviewed paperwork and plot plans. Ok to move forward.

8. READING BY CHAIRPERSON OF THE STATEMENT OF CONDUCT AND DEMEANOR.

#### 9. CITIZENS INPUT:

Marla Nugent: Sewer issue on N. Parkway/ golf course area: What is the game plan? Current plan: remove cottonwood trees that CCMD thinks are causing the sewer issues, add. Then check if the old larger line is usable. If not, then start working on replacement of lines from probably Erin's house on down first. Also move the cleanouts located in Erin's yard to about 50 ft farther down in vacant lot area.

Greg Colter: Had a glass jar of water from customer in Applewood area, brown sediment in bottom, questioning if iron or magnesium. She had seen on social media for Colorado City Texas of problems and thought it was for here.

He also suggests a new system for GIS instead of Diamond Maps.

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