

Pikes Peak Regional Building Department

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Colorado Springs, Colorado 80910

REGIONAL BUILDING COMMISSION MINUTES

April 23, 2014

3:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Val Snider, Colorado Springs City Council
Dennis Hisey, El Paso County Commissioner
Tyler Stevens, Green Mountain Falls Mayor Pro Tem

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Henry Yankowski, Regional Building Official
Mr. Todd Welch, Regional Building Counsel
Mr. Roger Lovell, Deputy Building Official/Large Business
Development
Mr. Jay Eenhuis, Chief Plans Examiner
Ms. Mindy Stuemke, Permit Supervisor
Ms. Linda Gardner, Executive Administrative Assistant

PROCEEDINGS:

Chairman Val Snider called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

1. CONSIDERATION OF MARCH 26, 2014 MINUTES

A motion was made by Dennis Hisey to **APPROVE** the March 26, 2014 Building Commission Meeting Minutes as written, seconded by Val Snider; the motion carried unanimously.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no Public Comments to discuss.

3. ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

Michael McShea gave the Advisory Board Report.

Henry Yankowski introduced new Committee member to the Building Commission, Tyler Stevens, Mayor Pro Tem for Green Mountain Falls.

4. **BUILDING OFFICIAL REPORTS**

a) Financial Statement

Henry Yankowski presented the financial statement for the month of March 2014. He said the current operating balance is \$4,428,380.40, with a budget of \$13,737,105.00. He said the cash balance is 32.24 as a percent of budget. Mr. Yankowski said the current month revenue was \$1,122,345.56, and total year-to-date revenue was \$2,575,077.68. He said the expenditures were \$968,987.29, which resulted in a net gain of \$153,358.27, for the month of March. Mr. Yankowski said the total year-to-date expenditures were \$3,089,234.94, which resulted in a total year-to-date loss of \$514,157.26.

b) Building Report

Mindy Stuemke presented the Building Report for the month of March, 2014. She said there were 230 detached house permits issued in March, which is a decrease of 0.44 percent from last year. Ms. Stuemke said there were 15 townhouses permitted, which is a decrease of 11.76 percent from last year. She said there were 245 single-family houses permitted, which is a 0.41 percent decrease from this same time last year. She said there were 15 commercial building permits issued in March, which is an increase of 650.00 percent. Ms. Stuemke said the total valuation of permits issued in March was \$22,766,842, which is an increase of 113.90 percent; and the total valuation of permits issued to date in 2014 is \$495,533,103, which is an increase of 13.08 percent. She said there have been 207 single-family permits, and 13 building commercial permits to date in April. She said last month there were approximately 108 people per day going through the permit counter and 450 phone calls per day.

c) Plan Review Report

Jay Eenhuis presented the Plan Report for the month of March 2014. He said there were 262 single family plans, which is a decrease of 10.6 percent over this same time last year; 125 residential alterations plans, which is an increase of 56.3 percent; 35 new commercial plans, which is an increase of 169.2 percent; 126 commercial alterations plans, which is an increase of 32.6 percent; and 69 all other plans, which is an increase of 392.9 percent, for a total of 617 plans, which is an increase of 24.6 percent over this same time last year. He said there were 11 permits in March with a valuation that exceeded \$3 million, including the Drury Inn & Suites and multiple apartment buildings. Mr. Eenhuis stated March had the highest number of electronic submittals yet.

d) Consumer Protection Report

Terry Brunette gave a short presentation regarding RBD staff's process in compiling the data for the Consumer Protection Report given to the Advisory Board each month. Mr. Yankowski stated RBD's purpose is not to punish people, but to resolve these complaints.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Update on Solar Array

Henry Yankowski stated currently the solar array is producing 38,000 kwh. Roger Lovell stated that RBD hopes to have an update on its website which notes the kwh produced on a daily basis by the solar array.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a) Teller County License Reciprocity.

Henry Yankowski stated RBD is doing the inspections and plan reviews for the City of Woodland Park, and it was agreed that El Paso County licenses are valid in Woodland Park, but RBD did not agree at that time that Teller County licenses would be valid in El Paso County. He stated Teller County has requested that Teller County licenses are also valid in El Paso County, as a process of reciprocity.

Carl Anderson, Teller County Board of Review, and Jim Olsen, Teller County HBA, appeared and Mr. Anderson stated they would like to have the Teller County license recognized in El Paso County without their licensees going through the testing requirements. Mr. Anderson stated Teller County recognizes the El Paso County licenses, and they would like El Paso County to reciprocate, by allowing Teller County licensees to go through the standard application and insurance procedures, but waiving the testing requirements. Todd Welch stated there will be details that will have to be worked out once RBD receives approval to proceed with this process of reciprocity. Mr. Olsen stated Woodland Park is extremely happy with the service RBD staff is providing to the City of Woodland Park.

Mr. Yankowski stated RBD would like to know if the Committee is in favor of this issue, and if so, it will also have to be approved by all of the jurisdictions. The Committee members agreed that they would like RBD staff to proceed with the issue of reciprocity of licenses with Teller County and seek approval from each of the jurisdictions.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

- a) Flood Plain Presentation to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC)

Dennis Hisey requested that Keith Curtis with RBD give a Flood Plain Presentation to the BOCC. Mr. Yankowski said Mr. Curtis would be happy to give a presentation to the BOCC.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There were no Executive Session requests.

The meeting adjourned at 3:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry W. Yankowski
Regional Building Official

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