Pikes Peak Regional Building Department

2880 International Circle Colorado Springs, Colorado 80910

REGIONAL BUILDING COMMISSION MINUTES

May 25, 2016 3:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Tyler Stevens, Green Mountain Falls Mayor Pro Tem

Larry Bagley, Colorado Springs City Council

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dennis Hisey, El Paso County Commissioner

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Roger Lovell, Regional Building Official

Mr. Jay Eenhuis, Chief Plans Examiner

Ms. Mindy Stuemke, Permit Counter Supervisor

Ms. Linda Gardner, Executive Administrative Assistant

PROCEEDINGS:

Chairman Tyler Stevens called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

1. CONSIDERATION OF APRIL 14, 2016 MINUTES

A motion was made by Larry Bagley to **APPROVE** the April 14, 2016 Building Commission Meeting Minutes as written, seconded by Tyler Stevens; the motion carried unanimously.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Pat Going, ADA Consultant, appeared and asked what had transpired since last month's meeting with regard to the accessibility issue. Roger Lovell stated RBD has had several meetings with the City and County, as well as the City of Fountain regarding accessibility issues. He stated he believes the municipalities are seeing what they can do to address this issue themselves, rather than from an RBD perspective; and Commissioner Dennis Hisey has reported that the County is also trying to address this issue themselves. He stated because this has become a big topic of discussion recently, the design professionals and contractors are also looking closely at the issues. Jay Eenhuis stated the ANSI-2003 is available online, but the 2009 edition is not yet available online.

Megan Harrington, City Land Use Review Division, stated the City is researching this topic to see how other communities are handling this issue. She stated the City has convened a group of stakeholders for a meeting on June 1st, from 2:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m., in Suite 105, 30 South Nevada Avenue, with regard to accessibility issues. She stated they are trying to move forward to update the Code language regarding accessibility issues.

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3. ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

Edward Pine appeared and gave the Advisory Board Report.

4. BUILDING OFFICIAL REPORTS

a) Financial Statement

Roger Lovell presented the financial statement for the month of April 2016. He said the current operating balance is \$5,910,740, with a budget of \$12,472,464. He said the cash balance is 47.39 as a percent of budget. Mr. Lovell said the current month revenue was \$1,263,367, and total year-to-date revenue was \$4,258,500. He said the expenditures were \$1,451,475, which resulted in a loss of \$188,107, for the month of April. Mr. Lovell said the total year-to-date expenditures were \$4,228,199, which resulted in a total year-to-date gain of \$30,300. He said the Special Account Revenues for the month of April were \$21,001, and year-to-date were at \$58,708. He stated the annual rent payment of \$577,000 was made during April, which attributed to the loss incurred in April.

b) Building Report

Mindy Stuemke presented the Building Report for the month of April 2016. She said there were 357 single-family houses permitted, which is an 18.33 percent increase from this same time last year. She said there were 31 commercial building permits issued in April, which is an increase of 181.82 percent. Ms. Stuemke said the total valuation of permits issued in April was \$18,720,468, which is a decrease of 24.05 percent; and the total valuation of permits issued to date in 2016 is \$774,853,774, which is an increase of 16.51 percent. She said there were two permits in April with a valuation that exceeded \$3 million. She said there are 273 single family permits to date in May. Ms. Stuemke stated they are averaging 500 to 575 phone calls per day at the Front Counter and 70 phone calls per day at Licensing. She said they are averaging approximately 130 customers per day at the Front Counter, and Licensing is seeing approximately 35 customers per day.

c) Plan Review Report

Jay Eenhuis presented the Plan Report for the month of April 2016. He said there were 422 single family plans, which is an increase of 26.0 percent over this same time last year; 134 residential alteration plans, which is a decrease of 14.1 percent; 70 new commercial plans, which is an increase of 150.0 percent; 144 commercial alterations plans, which is an increase of 19.0 percent; and 75 all other plans, which is a decrease of 7.4 percent, for a total of 845 plans, which is an increase of 17.2 percent over this same time last year. He said the total plans year to date yields an overall increase of 23 percent compared to this time last year. Mr. Eenhuis stated the average wait time was 9.18 minutes and the review time was

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4.95 minutes. He said there were 352 electronic plans submitted in April 2016 out of 845 total plans, or 42 percent in e-submittals, compared to April 2015, which was 36 percent. He stated the Plan Review Department is seeing 109 walk-thru plans per day. He stated RBD is now accepting commercial plans electronically.

d) Inspection Report

Jay Eenhuis presented the Inspection Report for the month of April 2016. He said the building inspectors did 7,534 inspections in April; the electrical inspectors did 4,436 inspections in April; and the mechanical/plumbing inspectors did 6,800 inspections in April. He said the total number of inspections for all departments was 18,770, and each inspection averaged 17.6 minutes in April.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business to discuss.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business to discuss.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

Larry Bagley stated he would like to discuss additional funds for the Springs Rescue Mission.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There were no Executive Session requests.

The meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger N. Lovell Regional Building Official

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