

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE RiNo DENVER GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

HELD:

Tuesday, January 27, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. at the RiNo Offices, 3525 Walnut Street, Suite 40, Denver, CO 80205 and via Zoom.

ATTENDANCE:

The meeting of the Advisory Board of the RiNo Denver General Improvement District, City and County of Denver, Colorado was called and held as shown above and in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado, with the following directors present and acting:

Bernard Hurley
Edee Anesi
Kirsty Greer
Daniel Flaherty
Liam Girard
Chris Woldum
Karen Good
Lisa Calderón

Also in attendance were: Tracy Weil, John Deffenbaugh, Marian Pulford, Dori Suess, Alex Pangburn, Adrienne Villa, and Alye Sharp, RiNo Art District staff; Marissa O'Connor, Menalto Development; James Gamez, Nelson\Nygaard; and Molly Thompson, University of Colorado Denver.

Directors Teresa Ortiz and Jamie Roupp were absent, absences excused.

CALL TO ORDER:

Director Hurley noted for the record that a quorum was present, and on behalf of the board, called the meeting to order.

CONSENT AGENDA - MINUTES AND FINANCIALS:

The minutes from the November meeting and December financials were reviewed by the Board prior to the meeting and approved unanimously by vote.

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CIRCULATOR STUDY:

Mr. Deffenbaugh reviewed the background and how the mobility and parking study led to the circulator feasibility study.

Mr. Gamez gave a brief update on the circulator study, noting the key opportunities that have arisen and the few options that are currently under consideration.

Mr. Deffenbaugh said there will be additional stakeholder workshops to the ones they already had in December to finalize the study.

ARTPARK UPDATE:

Mr. Deffenbaugh went through the background of the park buildings, noting it would be the future home of the Denver Public Library, RedLine, and Focus Points. He reviewed construction progress, site photos, cost update with the board.

Mr. Deffenbaugh said they hope to be completed by early July, and then there would be 6-8 weeks from occupancy to opening the doors for partners to get set up, so would be 'open' mid-summer.

Mr. Deffenbaugh noted that there is an outreach process underway with the three partners to define what the buildings will be used for.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE:

Ms. Pulford walked through the fundraising update, noting that fundraising is down across the board given the pandemic, so she feels good about where they are.

She walked through each 'restriction' including CRUSH, membership, and the capital campaign for the ArtPark, noting that over \$860K has been raised to date for this project.

She noted that the goal is to raise about \$1M this year, and that this is a conservative estimate given the unknowns for 2021.

Director Flaherty asked about any changes to the fundraising strategy given the pandemic, to which Ms. Pulford noted that a lot of grants and foundations have steered efforts toward COVID relief efforts. She said the main focus is to get developers in the area to make large contributions as well as individual donors.

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ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE:

Mr. Weil noted that this year’s annual meeting will be virtual and that they’re currently working to put together a video recap of the previous year.

UCD PRESENTATION:

Molly Thompson from UCD gave a presentation on the augmented reality (AR) walk that they’re currently working on.

This presentation noted details on Walter Ware and his sculpture that will be a part of the project as the lead artist. She went into details about the description of the sculpture, and Mr. Weil noted that there is \$50K in the public art line item that could be allocated to this project if it were to be installed in the GID boundaries.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board and upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

The foregoing minutes constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes of the above-referenced meeting and was approved by the Advisory Board of the RiNo General Improvement District Improvement District.

Secretary to the Board