



## MINUTES

### City of Glenwood Springs Parks and Recreation Commission

#### Zoom Meeting

January 6, 2021 at 6:00 pm

1. Roll Call at 6:02pm
  - a. Commission: Laura Speck, Dawn Randolph, Aeson Akins, Andrew Mueller, James Fosnaught, Bill Coleman
  - b. Staff: Brian Smith, Terri Partch, Karstin Moser
  - c. City Council Representative:
  - d. Guests:
2. Citizen Comments
3. Approval of December Minutes
  - a. Andrew moved to approve, Laura second. All in favor.
4. Election of Commission Chair
  - a. No volunteers present. Tabled for next meeting.
5. South Bridge – Terri Partch
  - a. A safety project for evacuation of south part of city
  - b. Project area is from north end of intersection of 4 mile to highway 82 with proposed tunnel under airport runway
    - i. Sidewalk width to be increased to 10 feet on eastside to the northside, 8 feet for westside of southside sidewalk
    - ii. Bioswale to be created between sidewalk and roadway
    - iii. Fishermen’s access areas on Roding Fork to be considered – James to send Terri a map with the locations
    - iv. Pedestrian pathways will be within tunnel at airport
    - v. Calming measures at Cardiff Glen to include a roundabout
    - vi. Crosswalk at northside of HWY82 and CR154
  - c. Project status and current estimate
    - i. NEPA EA process was completed on 10/28 finding no significant impact
    - ii. 60% design is complete and was review with CDOT on 11/19
    - iii. Proceeding to final design with anticipated completion in June 2021
    - iv. Current estimate total including airport tunnel, ROW acquisition, construction management is \$56.7 million (w/o airport tunnel \$50.7)
  - d. Current funding sources
    - i. City of Glenwood Springs A&I Sales tax measure: \$20M
    - ii. RTFA Destination 2040 Property Tax Measure: \$4M
    - iii. Grant Applications and Funding Requests
      1. 2020 FEMA Building Resistant Infrastructure and Communities Grant (BRIC) request for \$31M – app submitted on 12/16
      2. Colorado Department of Transportation
      3. Garfield County – Letter of Support for the BRIC application and request for funding support

- e. How will this impact parks?
  - i. Project will add 4 miles of maintenance parks maintenance (turf, trees, snow removal, irrigation maintenance, etc.)
- f. Impact on airport?
  - i. Options for a tunnel or runway interruption undecided
  - ii. Further discussion with council to occur
- 6. South Midland – Terri Partch
  - a. Improvements have been planned for year on the pot-hole prone road that serves 1/3 of Glenwood’s residents to address poor sight lines at intersections, regular rockfall events, gaps in pedestrian infrastructure, and rising traffic volume
  - b. Project improvements include extension of the multi-use path connecting into existing sidewalks, addressing drainage and subgrade issues, replacing the existing roadway between 27<sup>th</sup> and Four Mile Road, upgrading Black Hills gas line, electrical, water, and broadband conduit, rock fall mitigation, intersection safety improvements at Cardiff Bridge Road and Three Mile, and Building new roundabout at the South Midland and Four Mile intersection
  - c. Project started December 14, 2020 and is expected to wrap up in summer 2022
  - d. Traffic impacts anticipated
- 7. Area Behind Walmart Update – Brian Smith
  - a. County and City meeting did not result in any action planning; county leaning toward developer assisting with cleanup
  - b. Joint project grant application with AVLT for \$250k for cleanup and improving outdoor recreation access
  - c. Multiagency fire reduction task force created to evaluate fire risks
  - d. About \$200k in encampment cleanup estimated
  - e. Issues around what can and cannot be done on private property and the owner of the property’s responsibilities and punishable offenses
- 8. Commissioner’s Visions for the Future Spreadsheet Review
  - a. Brian to send Commission 2021 department priorities and capital projects
  - b. Karstin resending spreadsheet in different format due to accessibility issues
  - c. Item to be revisited next meeting
- 9. February Agenda Items
  - a. Election of Commission Chair
  - b. Commissioner’s visions for the future spreadsheet estimated
  - c. Gear Library Idea
- 10. Adjourn at 7:11pm