TO: Citizens Budget Advisory Committee Members

FROM: Denise Hish, Administrative Assistant

DATE: June 26, 2013

SUBJECT: Minutes of June 19, 2013 meeting

In attendance: Jim Dale, Louanne Dale, Marv DeSelm, Ed Dorsey, Jean Garrabrant, Ken Kranz, Peter Luptovic, Marv Morgan, Bob Nelson, Bob Nettleship, John Spice, Dick Sugg, Leonard Todd,

Staff: John Bales, Anne Beierle, Jeff Hansen, Denise Hish, Bill Kilpatrick

I. MINUTES APPROVAL

With a motion by Marv DeSelm and a second by Bob Nettleship, the May 15, 2013 minutes were unanimously approved.

II. POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE – Chief Bill Kilpatrick

The Chief began by giving background and an update on the Clear Creek Corridor changes. We recently hired 6 Park Rangers; working Thursday through Sunday, 9:30am to 9:30pm. We also created Administrative Summons that the Park Rangers can issue along the Creek (open container, dog off-leash, glass containers, smoking). Glass and smoking are not covered under criminal code but are administrative park rules. Signs are expected to be posted in the next few weeks. Administrative violations are a fine only and there will be zero tolerance to violations along the creek.

Still not fully staffed in department; between light duty and retirement of officers, we lost several in 2012. We hired 6 police officers in 2012 and had 5 in field training and they are just now going out on their own. The process of the academy and then field training can take up to 1 year to complete. Presently we have 2 Officers on light duty and another retired in May. Investigations has been short an officer since January – Golden went for 11 years without a homicide and now we have had 2 within 9 days of each other. GPD is also now on 12-hour shifts for Patrol officers to cover all the summer events and vacations in the department.
Jefferson County has 10 dispatch centers; do we all need our own? Various counties are looking at ways to consolidate many facades. We have 3 officers on the Jefferson County SWAT team and they are located at Jefferson County Sheriff’s office; Bill offered to arrange a tour of the SWAT facilities if CBAC members were interested, and many were.

All of the GPD equipment is very good, but Golden is lacking right now in technology; current CAD system is 15 years old; fingerprinting is still being done with old fashioned way by using inking; still writing tickets instead of electronic tickets on tablets; still no ability for crime analysis and crime reporting on-line. These changes will make the department run so much smoother and are hoping to have the budget in the near future.

III. FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE – Chief John Bales

As of today – 103 staff in the Fire Department. 9 F/T employees, 2 Volunteer (Chaplin and Tom Young) 92 Volunteer Fire fighters – 62 (shift volunteers) living all over metro area and 30 live in the City. We have a very young department and less than half have 5 years and under being a Fire Fighter.

Last year we spent $1.5M in capital equipment – half was on a new apparatus (75 ft aerial pumper). Other half was from grants. Grants come from Federal Government and a direct result of what happened on 9-11. We also get grants through the Gaming Commission because we respond up the canyon. Because of grants we were also able to replace 60 self-contained breathing apparatus and 18 turnout gear and two thermal imaging cameras.

Calls outside the district; we gave mutual aid to Waldo Canyon last year and sent a team to Black Canyon last week – there are ways to be reimbursed through the federal government. First 12 hours are considered mutual aid and anything after that is reimbursable either from the federal government or the county, depending where the fire is. Golden had 2 significant fires last year at 724 Elm Circle and 17535 S. Golden Road and the Chief gave a brief description of cause.

The Chief also discussed how the implementation of 17 I-Pads and Cloud reporting has been beneficial for their budget and time-saving for reporting and inspections in the field.

Many departments come to Golden for swift water training on Clear Creek and this year it became International because 5 gentlemen from South Korea came for training also.

Did just under 500 commercial fire inspections last year and had to close 1 business down for violations for about 4 or 5 weeks. They are now back open and are doing well.

Moving forward – would like to replace the swift water rescue truck (cost is approx $400,000). The City has asked for a gaming grant to help with that cost. In the future, we would like to remodel Station 4 (Heritage Road station) to be adequate for shift crews.
IV. WASTE MANAGEMENT TRASH PRICING – Anne Beierle

Anne discussed her memo, dated June 11 that was included in the CBAC packet. Waste Management is requesting a 5% increase for services, due to several factors:

- Landfill disposal fee increases by Foothills landfill
- Transportation increases due to closure of Rooney Road organic drop-off site
- Maintenance cost increases
- Labor wage and benefit increases.

Anne stated that staff finds this to be a reasonable increase and they support it.

Peter asked about the HOA’s that weren’t included the first go-around; will that change? Anne replied that the Sustainability Committee is looking at an Ordinance to change that but didn’t know where that is on the radar.

Issues and problems did not change when EDS sold to Waste Management; problems range from broken cans, missing lids, missed pickups. Biggest problem is that there is a centralized call center with Waste Management that is different than EDS who was local and when you called you talked to just a few different people.

Len asked if there were any option of Green Waste being provided by the City – maybe taking it to a roll-off? Anne replied that the Sustainability Committee is looking at sponsoring one or two additional drop offs for everyone in the City.

Jim Dale made a motion to support the 5% increase and Ed seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

V. SALES TAX – APRIL (collected in May)

Sales tax collections were up $4,146 (0.5%) for the month and Use tax collections were down $23,289 (-11.7%) for April. In addition, $399,890 in audit revenue was collected in May and total audit revenue collected thus far in 2013 is $596,080.

We recently received a Court of Appeals ruling, not in our favor and will be meeting with Council to see if they are okay with going to Colorado Supreme Court.

Peter asked what is the City’s position was on medical marijuana? We currently have 1 medical marijuana facility, but we do have the ability to not let them open in the City, but it is a taxable product. We are still working on what to do – Council is planning on more conversation in July.

VI. DISCUSSION OF BUDGET AMENDMENT

At last meeting – we tabled the budget amendment discussion – Council met and decided to move forward on highway agreements. The intersection at 6th and 19th has turned into their priority and want to hold the $3.6 toward that intersection. The City has submitted an
application for RAMP funding and we made the first cut and had to send additional information; decisions are scheduled for September. Still have roughly a $5M match if we get the RAMP funding – CSM has agreed to match $1M – Jeffco Commissioners have been approached to also contribute $1M but we are not confident that they will help. Jeff recommended that there is no need to make any changes and we will keep you apprised of any further discussions or changes. Dick told the members of this Committee to check out the city website for further information. Further discussion was tabled until staff has more information; probably in September.

VII. VOTING MEMBERS – AS OF JUNE, 2013

- Jim Dale
- Louanne Dale
- Marv DeSelm
- Ed Dorsey
- Jean Garrabrant
- Ken Kranz
- Peter Luptovic
- Jan Martynuska
- Marv Morgan
- Bob Nelson
- Bob Nettleship
- Karen Oxman
- Eric Scarbro
- John Spice
- Dick Sugg
- Bethany Thomas
- Leonard Todd
- Lynda Wentworth

VIII. OTHER DISCUSSIONS / CITY UPDATES

- Ed reported that almost everything is in place for Council to pass an Ordinance for the DDA and the DDA Taskforce will not be able to campaign, so the DDA Taskforce turned itself into a Campaign Committee. Since Ed will be organizing the Candidate Forum on September 19 in Council Chambers, he will not be a part of that committee.
- Adjourned at 9:40

Next CBAC Meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at 7:30 a.m.
Meet at the City Council Chambers.