

**West Colfax BID Board and Public Meeting
3275 West Colfax Ave.
Denver, CO 80204**

September 20, 2016

Members Present: Cameron Bertron, Dennis Gonzalez, Rene Doubleday, and Win King were in attendance. A quorum was present. Cameron called meeting to order at 4:40 pm.

**Guest:
Disclosures of conflict of interest**

There were no conflicts of interests pertaining to agenda to disclose.

Minutes and Financial Reports

Minutes from the August 9th Board meeting and August 30th Board retreat were read. There were no questions or concerns.

Motion: Rene moved to approve the minutes. Win seconded. All were in favor. Minutes were unanimously approved.

The financial reports from August were read.

Motion: Cameron moved to approve the August financials. Dennis seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Motion:

Agreements for Consideration

- a) Fiscal Sponsorship of West Colfax Food Co-op (for Denver Foundation funding)
Cameron asked for clarification regarding the agreement with the Denver Foundation. He also asked if there is an actionable item involved with this agreement. The Denver Foundation is seeking approval from the BID Board before they disburse the funds.

Motion: Cameron moved to approve the fiscal sponsorship between the BID and the Food Co-op. Dennis seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

- b) Amendment to ECD Maintenance Agreement for Glass Replacement \$898 and as approved in writing
- c) Agreement for Translation Services with Community Language Coop: not to exceed \$1000 (Health Foundation)
- d) LEI Amendment for proposed solar installation as rendered by Joe Riche for western median: \$3215 plus noted exclusions (additional costs for traffic control and permitting).

Dan showed Board a rendering from Joe Riche depicting a solar panel and cattail sculpture on the west median of the corridor. There were concerns about the proposed location of the panel regarding whether it would provide adequate power and encourage vandalism (it is located near a crosswalk). Dan noted that insurance policy covers any damage incurred--

Motion: Cameron moved to approve the LEI agreement on the condition that the location can be revisited at a later time in consultation with the Board. Dennis seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Public Hearing

Cameron opened the public hearing segment of the meeting at 5:05 pm.

Guest: Greg Kayne-- Pig n'Whistle business

1) 2017 Budget & Operating Plan Resolution

Dan provided an explanation for how the Board arrived at the 2017 Budget and Operating Plan. He presented an overview of 2016 initiatives and projects.

- a) Ongoing collaboration with Colfax Ave, Mayfair, West Colfax and Bluebird Bids which has resulted in greater bargaining power as a corridor, ability to share ideas and strategies, greater connections throughout the community.
- b) PS You are Here-a project which enhanced pedestrian safety and engaged the community in the creation of art crosswalks along the corridor.
- c) Proposed Street Plans from HDR Engineering, with requests for funding to finalize designs in 2017 city budget. Pedestrian bulbouts, widen sidewalks, shorter crossings, improved on street parking.
- d) West Colfax Connects which includes safer foot and bike routes between neighborhoods, fun events and improved wayfinding signs in Lakewood Gulch.
- e) Larger Initiatives with a focus on development and zoning, land use, transit and signage. Also involves long-range planning.
- f) New Businesses
 - Mundus Bishop Design, Union 27, Solefax, Urban Gypsy Gallery, Sloans Lake Tap & Burger

Cameron commented that one of the benefits of the BID is how effectively revenue from the assessments has been leveraged to attract additional funding sources for various projects which have improved the business climate of the corridor.

2) 2017 Assessment Resolution

Question from the floor regarding the assessment and how it is reached. Dan explained that the assessment will remain the same as last year.

There were no further concerns or comments from the floor. This concluded the public hearing.

Hearing Closed

Motion: Win moved to adopt the attached 2017 Assessment Resolution. Rene seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Motion: Cameron moved to adopt the attached Resolution to adopt the 2017 Budget and impose a special assessment. Dennis seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Motion: Cameron moved to adopt the 2017 Operating Plan. Rene seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Board went back to considering two additional agreements (see above items b and c)

Motion: Win moved to approve the amendment to ECD Maintenance Agreement for Glass Replacement of one of the bus shelters in the amount of \$898 and the agreement for translation services with community language coop not to exceed \$1000. Cameron seconded. All were in favor.

New Business

Dan attended a mural fest in the RINO district—he was impressed with the art work and would love to promote similar public art projects in this area. Rene pointed out that there is funding available for these kinds of projects.

October 8th—There will be a public event to design a charrette for new signage for Lakewood Gulch.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.