



TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

January 4, 2021 - 6:00 PM

Town Board Chambers, 301 Walnut Street, Windsor, CO 80550
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MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rennemeyer called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

1. Roll call

Mayor Paul Rennemeyer
Mayor Pro Tem Ken Bennett
Scott Charpentier
Barry Wilson
Julie Cline
Victor Tallon
David Sislowski

Also Present:

Shane Hale, Town Manager
Ian McCargar, Town Attorney
Jess Humphries, Administrative Services Director
Stacy Miller, Economic Development Director
John Thornhill, Community Dev. Director
Scott Ballstadt, Planning Director
Carlin Malone, Chief Planner
Paul Hornbeck, Senior Planner
Eric Lucas, Public Services Director
Paul Schwindler, Deputy Director of Public Works
Rick Klimek, Chief of Police
Dean Moyer, Finance Director
Omar Herrera, Engineering Manager
Doug Roth, Civil Engineer
Kim Emil, Assistant Town Attorney
Jill Young, Business Development Specialist
McKenzie Paine, Visual Media Coordinator
Karen Frawley, Town Clerk

B. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Review of SH 392 Bypass Studies and Alignments - S. Ballstadt

The purpose of this work session is to present a chronological history and overview of studies that have been conducted pertaining to SH 392 and potential bypass alignments around downtown. In particular, the SH 392 Environmental Overview Study (EOS) conducted by CDOT in 2006 was an exhaustive study that analyzed several downtown bypass alternatives between Crossroads Boulevard and Harmony Road. While many of the alternative alignments in the attached slides were found to be prohibitive due to various constraints and subsequent development has blocked the path of other alignments, there remain some

segments of the alignments that still present opportunities and those will be presented for discussion.

2. Future Meetings Agenda

C. BOARD ACTION

1. Business Support Efforts

Per Mr. Hale, the Town continues to find ways to support our businesses. During the emergency legislative special session, the State passed Senate Bill 1 which is the COVID Relief Small and Minority Business Arts Organizations Bill which will provide funding to support entities impacted by capacity restrictions imposed to address the COVID-19 pandemic. Any County that was in red on the Governor's dial on December 31st qualifies. Eligible businesses include restaurants, bars, movie theaters, and fitness and recreational sports centers. Weld County has already stated that it will not be applying for this program, while Larimer County is actively pursuing it. This bill allows eligible municipalities to individually and collectively serve as an eligible recipient for distribution of funds if a county is ineligible based on the county's failure to meet the compliance criteria. In general, the bill is structured close to the CARES Act so the money will flow first through the counties and municipalities then out to the business community. Local government applications are due on January 8th. This is not a huge windfall for the business and will take some work administratively to have the ability to accept the applications, but believe that the Town should make every effort to help businesses stay afloat and the Town should apply for this program.

Town Board Member Sislowski stated that for Windsor to become eligible, it has to show that it has used its Police force to enforce the code red requirements, but it also has to develop an administrative requirements overseeing distribution, and the funds must be distributed by February 12th. There is a lot of work to do administratively in exchange for which, if a business's 2019 gross receipts was \$500,000.00 or less, the business will get \$3,500.00 capped. Gross receipts between a half million and a million, is \$5,000.00 capped. A business has to be over one-million to two and a half million to receive \$7,000.00. Town Board Member Sislowski stated that he would be curious to know if any local businesses have asked the Town to participate? Ms. Miller stated that businesses have inquired about if the Town would be participating. Mr. Hale added that after speaking with the State there is no indication that the Town would have to show that the Police are enforcing the code red requirements. Mr. McCargar stated that the criteria refers to the municipality's good faith efforts to enforce or promote compliance with applicable public health orders within the scope of its authority and in consideration of available resources. Hearing from Chief Klimek, the Police Department does not have the resources to engage and enforce the executive orders. Mr. Hale stated that everything that he has heard has told him that the Town is in compliance, there have been no concerns raised by anybody and presumptively are in compliance.

Mr. Hale stated that when the State recently moved counties including Larimer and Weld back into red status, the Governor heard from Chambers of Commerce and Commissioners about the concern of losing small businesses. Mesa County launched a program called the 5-star program which allowed businesses that met certain criteria and a higher standard of safety to operate at a less restrictive level

than what the State is operating in. The Greeley Chamber approached Weld County Commissioners about pursuing the program and they were not interested, so the Town is in a position now where the Larimer County businesses that are 5-star eligible can operate at the less restrictive level and the Weld County businesses are not able to. Options to the Town include entering into an IGA with Larimer County who is already administering the program, partnering with Greeley-Evans, or to create our own program.

Town Board Member Sislowski asked since Windsor has moved to level orange, how it would compare to the 5-star program? Mr. Hale stated that the program allows a business to operate at the next level, so once we are in orange, a business could operate at a level yellow. For this program, the State would require the Town to be at the level for fourteen days before it could operate at the less restrictive level. Town Board Member Sislowski stated that the 5-star program requires businesses to meet a certain set of required standards in order to become 5-star and asked who does the inspection to determine if a business meets the criteria? Mr. Hale responded that the Town met with SAFEbuilt last week and they are performing these inspections and the Town would pay SAFEbuilt, or another option would be to use Town staff to do the inspections after proper training.

Ms. Miller provided an update on the NoCo Nosh contract and stated that if the Town follows the same model as Fort Collins, the Town would look at only subsidizing slow days and only a few days a week in an effort to make the money last longer. Mayor Rennemeyer asked where we are at with getting this program going in Windsor? Ms. Miller stated that staff has held off on signing the contract until it performed more research so once that is signed, the Town will start a marketing campaign and get it going.

Mayor Pro Tem Bennett moved to direct the Town Manager to submit an application for the SB 20B-001 Small Business Relief program, Town Board Member Tallon seconded the motion. Roll Call on the vote resulted as follows; Yeas - Bennett, Charpentier , Cline, Rennemeyer, Sislowski, Tallon, Wilson; Motion Passed.

D. ADJOURN

Town Board Member Charpentier moved to Motion, Town Board Member Sislowski seconded the motion. Roll Call on the vote resulted as follows; Yeas - Bennett, Charpentier , Cline, Rennemeyer, Sislowski, Tallon, Wilson; Motion Passed.

Upon a motion duly made, the Town Board adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Karen Frawley, Town Clerk