



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, March 20, 2008

MINUTES

Members Present:

Susan Beckman	Commissioner, Arapahoe County
Jim Congrove	Commissioner, Jefferson County
Cindy Domenico	Commissioner, Boulder County
Jack Hilbert	Commissioner, Douglas County
Marcia Johnson	Council Member, City and County of Denver
Peggy Lehmann	Council Member, City and County of Denver
Molly Markert	Mayor Pro Tem, City of Aurora
Nancy McNally	Mayor, City of Westminster
Andrew Muckle	Mayor, Town of Superior
Bob Murphy	Mayor, City of Lakewood
Chris Nevitt	Council Member, City and County of Denver
Alice Nichol	Commissioner, Adams County
Kathleen Novak	Mayor, City of Northglenn
Dave Sellards	Engineer
Nancy Sharpe	Mayor, City of Greenwood Village
Walt Spader	Mayor Pro Tem, City and County of Broomfield
Guillermo (Bill) Vidal	Deputy Mayor, City and County of Denver

Members Absent:

Jerry DiTullio	Mayor, City of Wheat Ridge
Bob Hoffmaster	Engineer
Todd Miller	Mayor Pro Tem, City of Centennial

UDFCD Staff Present:

David Lloyd	Executive Director
Ed Krisor	Legal Counsel
Paul Hindman	Manager, Design, Construction and Maintenance
Mark Hunter	Manager, Design, Construction and Maintenance
Kevin Stewart	Manager, Information Services and Flood Warning
Ben Urbonas	Manager, Master Planning
Dave Bennetts	Senior Project Engineer, Design, Construction and Maintenance
Richard Borchardt	Senior Project Engineer, Design, Construction and Maintenance
Bryan Kohlenberg	Senior Project Engineer, Design, Construction and Maintenance
Laura Kroeger	Senior Project Engineer, Design, Construction and Maintenance
Ken Mackenzie	Senior Project Engineer, Design, Construction and Maintenance
David Mallory	Senior Project Engineer, Floodplain Management
Darren Bradshaw	Construction Manager, Design, Construction and Maintenance
Shea Thomas	Master Planning
Frank Dobbins	Director, Finance and Accounting
Darla Reeves	Accounting
Margaret Corkery	Senior Administrative Assistant

I OPEN MEETING

1. Preliminary

.1 Call To Order

Chairperson McNally called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

.2 Swearing in New Board Members

Ed Krisor, Legal Counsel, administered the Oath of Office to Boulder County Commissioner Cindy Domenico.

.3 Roll Call - Determination of Quorum

Roll was called and a quorum was declared present.

.4 Approval of February 1, 2008 Meeting Minutes

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes as submitted.

.5 Presentation of 2008 Friend of UDFCD Award

Dave Lloyd presented the District's 2008 Friend of District Award to Kenneth Wright.

2. General Business Items

.1 Acceptance of Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the Fiscal Year Ended December 26, 2006.

Mr. Lloyd commented that the District once again qualified for the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. This is the highest form of recognition in government accounting. He congratulated Frank Dobbins, Darla Reeves and Johnson Holscher & Company, who prepares the submittal. This is the 19th consecutive year the District has received this award. Frank and Darla were presented the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the year ending December 31, 2006, from the Government Finance Officers Association.

.2 Acceptance of 2007 Audit by, Johnson, Holscher & Company, P.C., Certified Public Accountants and Consultants (Resolution No. 13, Series of 2008)

Mr. Lloyd stated that Dean Johnson, of Johnson, Holscher & Company, P.C. presented the 2007 audit at the annual Board meeting in February. A copy of the report was provided to all the Board members. Dean Johnson of Johnson, Holscher & Company, P.C. was present to answer any questions the Board may have. This resolution accepts the audit report.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 13 on the Consent Agenda.

.3 Flood Awareness (Resolution No. 14, Series of 2008)

This is an annual resolution that recognizes that the flood season (April 15 – September 15) is approaching. The intent is to remind citizens, local governments and media that we are entering the annual flood season. It recommends self help actions that all citizens can take to deal with flood hazards; that people investigate the possibility of flooding where they live or work; recommends actions people can take if they live or work in a floodplain; and recommends that local governments meet with their local emergency preparedness units to discuss what actions to take in the event of a flood.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 14 on the Consent Agenda.

.4 Authorization to Participate in Final Design and Installation of a Flood Detection Network Expansion and other Automated Flood Warning System Improvements for Douglas County (Resolution No. 15, Series of 2008)

In 1996, the District and Douglas County participated in a \$51,000 flood detection network expansion project that increased the District's ALERT gaging network by adding 3 weather stations and 3 combination rain/stream gages in Douglas County. There are approximately 200 stations in the existing flood detection network that collect data from 12 counties (7 District counties plus Clear Creek, Elbert, Park, Teller and Weld).

The proposed joint project with Douglas County is designed to further improve flood warning capabilities for Plum Creek and Cherry Creek by installing 8 additional ALERT gaging stations and developing an ALERT base station at the County Public Works Building in Castle Rock. The base station software will include web services for providing real-time weather and flood information to other County departments. The District supports similar base station platforms for the City of Boulder, Boulder County, Denver, and for Lena Gulch at the Consolidated Mutual Water Company in Lakewood.

The recommended network expansion (12 new gaging stations – 5 in the Cherry Creek watershed and 7 for Plum Creek) is described in a 2007 report completed by Douglas County. Last year Douglas County acted on their own by installing four new ALERT rain gages in the upper Cherry Creek/Plum Creek basins. Two of these stations were relocated from the Hayman Burn Area. District maintenance assistance was requested for the four new sites.

In addition to the new gages and base station, the project will give special attention to existing system capacity concerns related to use of District hydrologic radio frequencies and the radio repeaters. This topic was addressed in the most recent issue of the Flood Hazard News. The proposed Douglas County project will help the District initiate steps to help remedy our growing radio traffic problem.

This project is listed in the District's 5-Year CIP for implementation in 2008. The District has identified \$100,000 in project costs with the District's share being \$50,000. This resolution authorizes \$50,000 of District funds to be matched by Douglas County for implementing the flood warning system improvements.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 15 on the Consent Agenda.

.5 Authorization to Participate in Drainage and Flood Control Improvements on Community Drainageway East, a Tributary to Rock Creek, Town of Superior (Resolution No. 16, Series of 2008)

This is a joint project with the Town of Superior. Cindy Thrush, the District's Sr. Project Engineer is managing this project in conjunction with Jon Haukaas, Town of Superior Public Works Director. The Town desires to design and construct improvements along Community Drainageway East in accordance with the Coal Creek and Rock Creek Planning Study, Phase B Proposed Plan. The project includes installation of check and drop structures, along with bank protection, upstream of Castle Peak Avenue. The District will be administering the design and construction and has identified \$100,000 of District funds for this project, which will be matched by the Town of Superior.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 16 on the Consent Agenda.

.6 Authorization to Participate in Drainage and Flood Control Improvements on Boulder Creek at 95th Street, Boulder County (Resolution No. 17, Series of 2008)

This is a joint project with Boulder County. Cindy Thrush, the District's Sr. Project Engineer is managing this project in conjunction with Pam Hanson, Boulder County Project Engineer. Boulder County is designing the project along with 95th Street bridge improvements. The majority of the drainage aspects of the project include installation of drop structures and bank protection along Boulder Creek. The final design is underway and Boulder County and the District desire to construct the improvements. This resolution authorizes \$250,000 of District funds to at least be matched by Boulder County for design and construction of the drainage aspects of the project.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 17 on the Consent Agenda.

.7 Additional Authorization to Participate in Drainage and Flood Control Improvements on the South Outfall, City of Brighton (Resolution No. 18, Series of 2008)

This is a joint project with the City of Brighton. Dave Bennetts, the District's Sr. Project Engineer is managing this project in conjunction with Juliana Archuleta, City of Brighton Project Engineer. Icon Engineering designed the project under contract with the District. The majority of the project includes installation of channel improvements and closed conduits to transfer storm flows safely to the Platte

River. The final design is now complete and the City of Brighton and the District desire to construct the improvements. The District has identified \$700,000 in total project costs with the District's share being \$350,000. The previous authorization in 2006 was for \$200,000 to fund design and partially fund construction. This resolution authorizes an additional \$150,000 of District funds to at least be matched by the City of Brighton for design and construction of the drainage aspects of the project.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 18 on the Consent Agenda.

.8 Additional Authorization to Participate in Drainage and Flood Control Improvements on Drainageway G, City of Louisville (Resolution No. 19, Series of 2008)

This is a joint project with the City of Louisville. Cindy Thrush, the District's Sr. Project Engineer is managing this project in conjunction with Tom Phare, City of Louisville Public Works Director. SEH designed the project under contract with the City of Louisville. The majority of the project includes installation of channel improvements and closed conduits to transfer storm flows safely to Coal Creek. The final design is now complete and the City of Louisville and the District desire to construct the improvements. The District and the City have identified \$1,650,000 in total project costs with the District's share being \$825,000. The previous authorization in 2007 was for \$425,000 to fund design and partially fund construction. This resolution authorizes an additional \$400,000 of District funds to at least be matched by the City of Louisville for design and construction of the drainage aspects of the project.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 19 on the Consent Agenda.

.9 Additional Authorization to Participate in Drainage and Flood Control Improvements on Elmer's Two Mile Creek, City of Boulder (Resolution No. 20, Series of 2008)

This is a joint project with the City of Boulder. Cindy Thrush, the District's Sr. Project Engineer is managing this project in conjunction with Bob Harberg, City of Boulder. WHPacific under contract with Centennial Engineering, designed the project under contract with the City. The District and the City of Boulder have identified \$3,420,000 in total project costs with the District's share being \$1,710,000. The previous authorization in 2007 was for \$1,110,000 to fund design and partially fund construction. This resolution authorizes an additional \$600,000 of District funds to at least be matched by the City of Louisville for design and construction of the drainage aspects of the project.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 20 on the Consent Agenda.

.10 Authorization for a Planning Study of the Lafayette-Louisville Boundary Area (Resolution No. 21, Series of 2008)

The cities of Lafayette and Louisville have asked the District to participate in a planning study leading to an outfall system plan for the Lafayette-Louisville Boundary Area. Both cities have experienced drainage problems in this area related to growth and are looking to the District for assistance in planning an outfall system that will meet both of their needs.

The District originally studied this area as part of the 1980 Basin wide Major Drainage Planning – City of Louisville / Boulder County Outfall System Plan and the 1982 Major Basin wide Planning – City of Lafayette / Boulder County Phase B Report. Changes in the watershed over the last 26 years warrant a new outfall system plan.

The total study costs are projected to be \$120,000 with Lafayette and Louisville each contributing \$30,000 and the District's share not to exceed \$60,000 plus interest earned in the project's trust and agency account.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 21 on the Consent Agenda.

.11 Acceptance of Planning Alternatives Evaluation Report for Dutch Creek, Coon Creek and Lilley Gulch (Resolution No. 22, Series of 2008)

In 2005 the Board authorized the District to enter into an agreement with Arapahoe County, Jefferson County, Denver, and Columbine Valley for a planning project to conduct an update of the major drainageway planning study for the Dutch Creek, Coon Creek, Lilley Gulch, and Three Lakes Tributary watersheds, and to prepare the needed reports. The original major drainageway planning report for these waterways was published in 1979 and many of the original recommendations were implemented. The local sponsors thought that a restudy and an update of this study was long overdue. After entering into a funding agreement with the local sponsors, PBS&J was hired to do the work.

The consultant has now completed the alternatives evaluation report titled Dutch Creek, Coon Creek, Lilley Gulch, and Three Lakes Tributary Major Drainageway Planning - Phase A Report. This report, dated February 2008, was made available for the Board members. Copies of the report will also be distributed to Arapahoe County, Jefferson County, Denver, Columbine Valley and a number of stakeholders. All of the sponsors have reviewed the draft Phase A Report and this final report reflects their input.

This resolution accepts the completed Phase A Report and recommends that a mutually acceptable alternative be selected by the local sponsors to complete the planning study and prepare the final master plan document.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 22 on the Consent Agenda.

.12 Acceptance of Clear Creek Major Drainageway Planning Study (Resolution No. 23, Series of 2008)

In 2005 the Board authorized the District to enter into an agreement with Adams County, Jefferson County, Denver, Wheat Ridge, and Golden for a planning project to conduct a major drainageway planning study for Clear Creek from the South Platte River through Golden, and to prepare the needed reports. The original major drainageway planning report for the lower reaches in Adams County was completed in 1981 and the one for the upper reaches of Clear Creek upstream of Sheridan was completed in 1982. The local sponsors and the District considered an update of these two reports necessary to account for the many changes that have occurred along this waterway. After entering into a funding agreement with the local sponsors, Icon was hired to do the work.

In 2007 the Board accepted the completed Phase A Report - Development of Alternative Plans for this study and recommended that a mutually acceptable alternative be selected by the local sponsors to complete the planning study and prepare the final master plan document.

The consultant has now completed the final report titled Major Drainageway Planning, Phase B – Conceptual Preliminary Design for Clear Creek. This report, dated February 2008, was made available for the Board. Copies of the report will also be distributed to Adams County, Jefferson County, Denver, Wheat Ridge, Golden and a number of stakeholders. All of the sponsors have reviewed the draft Phase B Report and this final report reflects their input.

This resolution accepts the final master planning report and in so doing recommends that all drainageway and flood control facilities and practices recommended in this report be used as a guide in future drainage and flood control planning, land development and design of such facilities within the jurisdictions having coverage of areas within the Clear Creek watershed.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 23 on the Consent Agenda.

.13 Additional Authorization to Participate in Drainage and Flood Control Improvements on Lakewood Gulch/Dry Gulch RTD FasTracks West Corridor Project (Resolution No. 24, Series of 2008)

This is a joint project with the City and County of Denver. Dave Bennetts, the District's Sr. Project Engineer, is managing this project in conjunction with Dave Ridenour, City and County of Denver. Denver has requested that all District CIP funds allocated to Denver be redirected to FasTrack's drainage projects for 2008-2011.

This resolution authorizes an additional \$3,200,000 of District funds to be matched by the City and County of Denver for design and construction of the drainage aspects of the project.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 24 on the Consent Agenda.

.14 Additional Authorization to Participate in Drainage and Flood Control Improvements on the North Outfall, City of Brighton (Resolution No. 25, Series of 2008)

This is a joint project with the City of Brighton. Dave Bennetts, the District's Sr. Project Engineer, is managing this project in conjunction with Juliana Archuleta, City of Brighton Project Engineer.. Icon Engineering designed the project under contract with the City of Brighton. The majority of the project includes installation of channel improvements and closed conduits to transfer storm flows safely to the Platte River. The final design is now complete and the City of Brighton and the District desire to construct the improvements.

The District has identified \$1,800,000 in total project costs with the District's share being \$400,000. The previous authorization in 2006 was for assistance, but not financial participation for the design and construction. This resolution authorizes \$400,000 of District funds to at least be matched by City of Brighton for design and construction of the drainage aspects of the project.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to place Resolution No. 25 on the Consent Agenda.

3. Other Business

.1 Review of Cash Disbursements

Cash Disbursement lists dated January and February 2008 were distributed to the Board for review.

There being no further comments or questions, it was the consensus of the Board to include approval of the Cash Disbursements on the Consent Agenda

It was the consensus of the Board that Resolutions No. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, Series of 2008, and Cash Disbursements for January, and February 2008, be placed on the Consent Agenda. Council Member Lehmann moved to adopt the Consent Agenda. Upon a roll call vote the motion was passed unanimously.

.2 Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: Thursday, April 17, 2008

Chairperson McNally reminded Board members that the next board meeting was scheduled for April 17, 2008. Chairperson McNally also polled the Board members present and decided that the June meeting would take place on June 26th instead of June 19th because of a conflict with the CML Annual meeting.

4. Adjournment

Chairperson McNally adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.