



CITY COUNCIL

WORKSHOP AND REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

February 8, 2023
6:00 PM
202 Railroad Avenue, Rifle, CO

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM - Special Meeting

- 1. Roll Call**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Public Comment** *(maximum time permitted for Public Comment is 3 minutes per person)
- 4. Regular Agenda**
 - 4.a.** Opening
 - 4.b.** Notable County Projects and Efforts that Benefited Rifle
 - 4.c.** Housing
 - 4.d.** City's 2023 Capital Plans
 - 4.e.** City's Future Major Projects
 - 4.f.** Garfield County Plans and Projects in Rifle Area
 - 4.g.** Fairgrounds
 - 4.h.** Annexation and Development
 - 4.i.** Economic Development
 - 4.j.** Emergency Planning
 - 4.k.** Tiny Home Development & Manufacturing in Rifle (Eco Dwelling & Matt & Dave's Vans)
 - 4.l.** The Traveler
 - 4.m.** RFTA District
 - 4.n.** Roundabout Planning / Update

4.o. Expansion Joints on CDOT SH 13 over the Colorado River

5. Adjournment



Agenda Item #4.a.

Agenda Item Name:

Opening

Presenter:

Tommy Klein, City Manager

Item Description:

Opening

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

The italicized sections denote that the statement was taken from the BOCC Policy Directives and Action Plan for 2022/2023 or the City of Rifle Strategic Plan.

Executive Summary:

Commitment to partnerships and good communication with the cities, towns and communities within its borders through intergovernmental agreements, joint meetings, town halls, and quarterly meetings with mayors and managers.

We appreciate that the BOCC is taking the time to meet with us to discuss how we can work together for a better Rifle and Western Garfield County.

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.b.

Agenda Item Name:

Notable County Projects and Efforts that Benefited Rifle

Presenter:

Tommy Klein, City Manager

Item Description:

Notable County Projects and Efforts that Benefited Rifle

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

Continue to advance the County's regional communications network infrastructure by working with the Colorado Department of Transportation to remove barriers allowing direct access to the fiber on I-70 so the County can complete Phase I of the middle mile network.

Broadband from I-70 to 14th Street County building - completing the "middle mile". (A goal of the 2022 and 2023 Board Directives and Action Plan for 2022) This will increase the likelihood that companies will provide high speed internet to our citizens and will facilitate competition.

Most recent FMLD Grant

- \$600,000 for the Intersection Project
- Helped with the parking lot for Rifle Arch Bike Trails
- Emergency Planning - The County is the leader in Hazard Mitigation Planning and the Community Wildlife Protection Plan.

Continue to explore all viable mental health options throughout Garfield County with partners including Mind Springs and the Aspen Hope Center. Continue to support the construction and operation of the recently developed Withdrawal Services Facility (Detox Center) in Glenwood Springs and serve on its Governance Committee. Enhance community safety and seek opportunities to promote the health and wellness of our citizens.

Facilitating the establishment of the Detox Facility in Glenwood - The County obtained the infrastructure grant and they are funding the operations at significant cost. A board will be created for the center and will determine how the center will be funded in 2024 and beyond.

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.c.

Agenda Item Name:

Housing

Presenter:

Tommy Klein, City Manager

Item Description:

Housing

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

Participate in community discussions on affordable and attainable housing through land-use decisions, policies, programs and collaboration.

What does the County want to see?

- In Rifle?
- Regionally?

Will the County partner with Rifle to financially support housing projects?

- An apartment community is being developed in Rifle that will supply 60 affordable units to our area. Please refer to map. Would the County consider cost sharing on the infrastructure like the expansion of Park Avenue or other pieces of the project?

- (Street, curb and gutter, storm water and maybe the extension of the Centennial Park trail from the Brenden to HWY 6)

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.d.

Agenda Item Name:

City's 2023 Capital Plans

Presenter:

Tommy Klein, City Manager

Item Description:

City's 2023 Capital Plans

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

- Maintenance of existing infrastructure
- Whiteriver and HWY 6 Intersection (On the County's List to discuss)
- New Park and Ride
- Raze Old Water Plant
 - Would the County be willing to waive dump fees?
- The River Bridge expansion joints are the responsibility of CDOT. We have asked for expedited replacement. (On the County's list of topics.)

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.e.

Agenda Item Name:

City's Future Major Projects

Presenter:

Tommy Klein, City Manager

Item Description:

City's Future Major Projects

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

Effectively manager, maintain and facilitate development, infrastructure, mobility, resources and protect the City's natural environment.

Roundabout North of I-70 Bridge

- Traffic backing up onto I-70

Economic Development - The project will open the south side of the river to development.

- We will pursue FMLD and other grants in the future for this project - Estimated cost 6.5 m at today's cost

Storm water compliance

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.f.

Agenda Item Name:

Garfield County Plans and Projects in Rifle Area

Presenter:

Tommy Klein, City Manager

Item Description:

Garfield County Plans and Projects in Rifle Area

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

Does the County have projects or plans in the Rifle area?

What can we do to help?

Is County Road 293 between Mile Pond and E. 7th on a list for repair?

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.g.

Agenda Item Name:

Fairgrounds

Presenter:

Tommy Klein, City Manager

Item Description:

Fairgrounds

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

Maximize the Garfield County Fairgrounds as a year-round events center with enhanced promotions and capital investments.

showcase the Garfield County Fair and Rodeo as a premiere event for the Western Slope with premier talent, events and carnival.

Sense of Place - Honor our community character, values and environment that make our community unique and provides an attractive quality of life expertise for our visitors and citizens.

What are the County's plans for the Fairgrounds?

- Are there planned real estate acquisitions in the area?
- Is the County going to build an indoor concert facility?

Would the County be open to using CTF for help with a bridge to the Island and the construction of trails? This project will promote economic development south of the river.

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.h.

Agenda Item Name:

Annexation and Development

Presenter:

Tommy Klein, City Manager

Item Description:

Annexation and Development

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

Discuss the County's position on smaller home communities.

Does the County have plans for the Stillwell property? Please refer to map. We are considering making improvements to that area.

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.i.

Agenda Item Name:
Economic Development

Presenter:
Tommy Klein, City Manager

Item Description:
Economic Development

Recommended Action:
N/A

Fiscal Impact:
N/A

Operational Impact:
N/A

Prior Board Motions:
N/A

Background Information:
N/A

Executive Summary:

Prioritize economic development through capital projects, policies, programs and collaboration, including working with Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado (AGNC), their federal Economic Development District, the Rifle Regional Economic Development Corporation, the Carbondale Coventure and Garfield County economic development roundtables.

What does the County envision?

What is the County's position on the Colorado River Valley Economic Development Partnership? The group represents municipalities from New Castle to Parachute. Are there significant County projects occurring in New Castle, Silt, or Parachute that will assist with regional economic development?

Promote economic development around the Garfield County Airport to leverage opportunities with private industry, such as hangar development, with general aviation activities and with government entities such as the Center of Excellence for Advanced Technology Aerial Firefighting, the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Training Facility, the Upper Colorado River Interagency Fire Management Unit and the SEAT base.

What can Rifle do to assist with the development of the Airport area? We have the water tank under construction. '

Support the tourism industry and improve the quality of life and health through building and improving trails and roads for bikes and pedestrians through partnerships and Conservation Trust Fund grants.

Improve the quality of life and health through partnerships and the strategic use of Conservation Trust Funds.

Is it possible to provide additional assistance with Grand Hogback trails using County CTF?

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.j.

Agenda Item Name:

Emergency Planning

Presenter:

Tommy Klein, City Manager

Item Description:

Emergency Planning

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

Continue to support efforts that address wildfire mitigation, suppression and education with the Roaring Fork and Middle Colorado Wildfire collaborative.

How can we partner with you to assist with efforts to mitigate the risk of wildfires?

Are there plans for an influx of people if immigrants are diverted to Garfield County?

What can we do to assist with emergency planning and preparedness?

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.k.

Agenda Item Name:

Tiny Home Development & Manufacturing in Rifle (Eco Dwelling & Matt & Dave's Vans)

Presenter:

BOCC

Item Description:

Tiny Home Development & Manufacturing in Rifle (Eco Dwelling & Matt & Dave's Vans)

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

BOCC Topic

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.l.

Agenda Item Name:

The Traveler

Presenter:

BOCC

Item Description:

The Traveler

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

BOCC Topic

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.m.

Agenda Item Name:

RFTA District

Presenter:

BOCC

Item Description:

RFTA District

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

BOCC Topic

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.n.

Agenda Item Name:

Roundabout Planning / Update

Presenter:

BOCC

Item Description:

Roundabout Planning / Update

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

BOCC Topic

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None



Agenda Item #4.o.

Agenda Item Name:

Expansion Joints on CDOT SH 13 over the Colorado River

Presenter:

BOCC

Item Description:

Expansion Joints on CDOT SH 13 over the Colorado River

Recommended Action:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Operational Impact:

N/A

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Background Information:

N/A

Executive Summary:

BOCC Topic

Notification Requirements:

N/A

Prepared By:

Alexis Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk

Attachments:

None