

Boulder Transition Advisory Committee (BTAC)
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 2, 2020

1. The BTAC regular meeting was called to order by Drew Dawson via Zoom conference call at 8:01 a.m. with 15 participants.
2. Motion to approve the March meeting minutes with two corrections, seconded, and passed.
3. Information provided from area leaders and organizations:
 - a. Chamber. Getting information to businesses on the stimulus business loans.
 - b. Boulder Schools. Working on remote classes and packets for students. Preparing student meals during the Covid-19 crisis. Façade improvement plans may be put on hold as a low priority.
 - c. City of Boulder. Working on Veteran park restrooms. Assisting with Covid-19 questions.
 - d. Faith Group. No report.
 - e. Elkhorn Community Foundation. Working on the next grant cycle.
 - f. Elkhorn Treatment Center. No Report.
 - g. Jefferson County Commission. A lot going on with Covid-19 response. County offices and operations are closed to visitors but operational through internet, telephone and drop boxes. The Disaster Emergency Services has a operational center set up to pass information as it becomes available. June election will be by mail in ballot only. Looking at a possible solid waste fee increase to cover services and new Montana City construction. Approve \$26K match funds for an MDC feasibility study.
 - h. County Events. Event planning for this year is underway and looking at potential impacts as the Covid-19 progresses. Working with the public radio station to get informational PSA out as news develops with the virus.
 - i. IBC. No report.
 - j. JLDC. Working on the MDC reutilization, meat processing plant and the Western Legacy Center. Assisting business work through the disaster loan programs and new employee regulations with the stimulus package that just passed. Working on Jefferson Slough project expansion to control Eurasian Milfoil. Pipestone Creek irrigation diversion project is moving forward with design and permits. Golden Sunlight Mine (GSM) water infrastructure project is complete. GSM leadership has approved moving forward with the concentrator project and engineering and permitting is in progress. Working on a new hire to assist businesses during and after the current Covid-19 crisis. Wind developer moving forward with prototype.
 - k. YDI. New campus design and construction project is progressing and working on the financing.
 - l. Riverside. No report.
 - m. Prevention. Mental health advisory group is meeting remotely and with the trying times it is important to keep informed. May is mental health month.
4. Master Plan Implementation.
 - a. Boulder Development Fund. Façade improvement program revised to allow for a \$7500 cap that will not require matching funds. Discussion with Commerce allowed reallocation of some funds toward the Veteran Park restroom project and it is currently advertised for bid. Commerce has also allowed any remaining funds in May to be transferred to the revolving loan fund line to retain resources in Boulder. City has submitted a letter of extension beyond the June 30th date due to the Covid-19 challenges.
 - b. Marketing Committee. Gateway Sign moving forward and locations have been finalized. Brochure is being finalized and 20K copies will be produced. River Trail project moving forward with Planning Board. Kiosk project is moving forward with planning and the school construction option is not available with the current Covid-19. Have another potential contractor and discussions with Marks Lumber indicates they may be willing to assist with some materials.
 - c. MDC Facility Reutilization. Survey is moving forward. Brownfields Phase II on the historic administrative building is in process. Tour for mental health personnel and coordination with the VA Hospital and ST James Hospital on hold until after the Covid-19 disaster. Looking at potential grant for a feasibility study through EDA.
5. Public Comment. Drew thanked everyone for participating and encouraged all to be safe.
6. Meeting adjourned at 9:09 a.m. Next meeting May 7th at 8 a.m. via Zoom Video and call in options.