Minutes of the Special Meeting Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District dba Vail Recreation District March 4, 2010

A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on March 4, 2010, at 3:00 p.m., at the Town of Vail, Community Development Building, Eagle County, Colorado, in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado.

- 1. MEMBERS PRESENT
 - 1.1. Joe Hanlon, Michelle Hall, Ken Wilson, Jeff Wiles, Rick Sackbauer
- 2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED
 - 2.1. None
- 3. STAFF PRESENT
 - 3.1. Mike Ortiz, Jamie Gunion, Lori Gordon, Alice Plain, Steve Sarro, Scott O'Connell, Chad Young
- 4. OTHERS PRESENT
 - 4.1. None
- 5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT
 - 5.1. Eric Weaver, Robertson & Marchetti, P.C., Kevin Atkinson, Phelps-Atkinson Golf Course Design
- 6. CALL TO ORDER
 - 6.1. Director Hanlon called the meeting to order
- 7. APPROVAL OF 2/11/10 MEETING MINUTES
 - 7.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2010 Regular Board meeting as presented.
- 8. PUBLIC INPUT OF ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA
 - 8.1. None

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9. TEE BOX #7 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

- 9.1. Mr. Mike Ortiz reminded the Board of the background on the #7 tee stating that the Bourne study in 2007 condemned a portion of the tee to do the leaning walls. Since that time, Loris Engineering designed a replacement wall to replace the existing tee box. Kevin Atkinson has also created a second design to try and reduce the cost of the project while making the golf hole better by reducing the upper tee and adding a set of tees down by the river. Mr. Kevin Atkinson presented a couple of different options to the board and the associated costs of each. The board then discussed the options and it was decided to discuss further in executive session.
- 10. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously resolved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose(s) of: §24-6-402(4)(e), C.R.S., "Determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators."
- 11. Upon returning from executive session, Kevin presented a third alternative to redo holes 7 and 8 to eliminate the need for the walls on #7. The Board liked the idea in theory but felt that a project of this magnitude would be too dramatic and the value gained would not be as great as the initial plan.
- 12. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to move forward with obtaining Design Review Board approval for the reduced upper tee box, adding additional tee boxes down by the river and to keep the existing lower womens tee in its current location.

13. GOLFCOURSE CLUBHOUSE MAINTENANCE & REPLACEMENT SUMMARY

- 13.1. Mr. Ortiz stated there are many ideas on the clubhouse and he would like a clear direction on where to go when moving ahead. He then presented a summary of the 2004 VAG preliminary plans for the clubhouse and the additional research by VAG in 2008 related to a potential remodel of the facility. The findings of the 2008 research showed that a remodel of the facility would not be a good option due to the numerous structural issues of the building which would be cost prohibitive.
- 13.2. Mr. Eric Weaver then reviewed a summary of mill levy increase that would be required for different lending amounts. The board discussed

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- their concerns on the mill levy and the different ideas on the possibility of the Clubhouse replacement.
- 13.3. The Board felt that additional research on the to define the flood plain and to evaluate the ability to build inside of it before making any decisions related to the facility.

14. BRIDGE REPLACEMENTS

- 14.1. Mr. Ortiz reminded the Board of Loris Engineering's recommendation to replace the bridges across Gore Creek on holes #11 and #17 at the golf course. The board and Mr. Steve Sarro discussed the timeline and when the start date should be to have the least amount of impact on both the Golf course and the Nordic track.
- 14.2. The project will need to be started late in the season when the stream flows are the lowest and to minimize the impact on the golf course. Director Sackbauer stressed his concern with having both bridges out at the same time. If an early season storm were to hit, there would be the possibility that neither bridge could be installed that fall which would preclude the snow cat from grooming the back of the course and cause major problems for opening the golf course the following spring.
- 14.3. The staff agreed with the concern and will need to evaluate the project as the fall approaches to determine the best approach based on stream flows, weather, and the impacts to the Golf and Nordic courses.

15. YOUTH SERVICES-EVERVAIL PROGRAMMING OPTIONS

15.1. Mr. Ortiz stated Vail Resorts is proposing to provide the District with approximately 13,000 square feet of space in EverVail. The configuration of the space is not know at this time but the space would be used by the District for special programming to bring something new and exciting to Vail. Many details still need to be worked out related to who will be responsible for funding the costs of finishing the space and ongoing operational expenses. Everyone recognized that completion of this project is likely many years away due to the slow economy and that no immediate action is required at this time.

16. OTHER VRD & TOV CAPITAL PROJECTS

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16.1. Mr. Ortiz reviewed a brief summary of other capital improvements to be made to facilities managed by the District that the Town has budgeted for 2010 including work at Dobson, the Nature Center, and Ford Park.

17. JANUARY 2010 FINANCIALS- MR. ERIC WEAVER (ITEM ADDED TO AGENDA)

17.1. Mr. Weaver noted that the financial statement presentation had been inadvertently left off of the agenda. The District saw very limited activity in January and the only major variance at this point is from finishing 2009 better than expected. Mr. Weaver recommended that these unbudgeted excess funds be retained by the District for reserves. Due to the decline in the real estate market, the District will be seeing significant decreases in property taxes starting in 2012, the extent of which is unknown at this time. Having additional funds in reserve to help offset a portion of this impact will prove very beneficial to the District in the upcoming years. No formal action is required at this time as this will be discussed in conjunction with future discussion of the \$250,000 in capital contingency for 2010.

18. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INPUT

18.1. Mr. Ortiz thanked the Board for their input and expressed that he is excited to have good direction related to the upcoming capital projects.

19. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

19.1. The Board members agreed with Mr. Ortiz and thanked the staff for all of their work on the projects to date.

20. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 20.1. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously resolved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose(s) of: §24-6-402(4)(e), C.R.S., "Determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators."
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21. ADJOURNMENT

21.1. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Vail Recreation District Board of Directors.

Michelle Hall, Secretary	Lori Gordon, Assistant Finance Director

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