



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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**TO:** Board of County Commissioners  
Scott Vargo  
Jeff Huntley  
**FROM:** Sara R. Lopez  
**RE:** Work Session Meeting of September 1, 2020  
**DATE:** September 1, 2020

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**Attendees:**

Elected Officials (via Zoom): Karn Stiegelmeier, Elisabeth Lawrence and Thomas C. Davidson – Commissioners

Jaime FitzSimons – Sheriff

Staff (via Zoom): Scott Vargo, County Manager; Jeff Huntley, County Attorney; Bentley Henderson, Assistant County Manager; Sarah Vaine, Assistant County Manager; Marty Ferris, Finance Director; Julie Sutor, Communications Director; Jim Curnutte, Community Development Director; Robert Jacobs, Road & Bridge Director; Chris Lubbers, Transit Director; April Kroner, Planning Director; Michael Wurzel, Sustainability Coordinator; April Paige, Executive Administrative Manager and Sara R Lopez, Administrative Assistant.

Guests (via Zoom or phone): Margaret Bowes, Tom Daugherty, Andi Staley, Jared Rapp, Grant Anderson, Graeme Bilenduke, Michael Goolsby, Julie George, Jeff Goble, Trevor Maring, Shannon Smith, Elise Thatcher, John David, Kane Schneider, Libby Stanford, Peter Siegel and others who did not sign in.

**I. CDOT Quarterly Meeting**

Bentley Henderson and CDOT staff discussed and gave an update on several topics including but not limited to:

- Silverthorne Signalization Timing Project.
- Hazmat Study Updates
- Vail Pass Auxiliary Lane Update and status of wildlife crossings
- Copper Mountain Maintenance Facility
- Winter 2020/2021 Traffic Management Plan
- General Updates
  - Highway 9 Gap Project expected to be finished by the fall of 2021.
  - Exit 203 plans for the winter season.
  - System Maintenance Updates (paving, pothole repair etc.)
  - Exit 205/Silverthorne Hill Aux Lanes
  - Maintenance Updates (paving and lane closures), on Eisenhower/Johnson Tunnel
- Wildfire damage to Interstate 70 between Glenwood Springs and Gypsum.

## II. **Managers' and Commissioners' Issues**

Senior Management and Commissioners discussed several topics including but not limited to:

Scott Vargo and Commissioners discussed a donation request from Colorado Search and Rescue Association for \$3,000. Commissioners approved the request.

Michael Wurzel gave an update on the new electric buses and noted the ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for October 19, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. He will also be working with SCTV to produce videos of the electric buses, including a walk-through of the inside.

Julie Sutor noted she received a request for comment from a journalist regarding the 2020 Census and the Federal Government's decision to cancel funding for the program.

Marty Ferris updated the Board on the federal law deferring payroll taxes, which starts on September 1, 2020 but does not apply to Summit County Government. The County does not pay into Social Security (SS) and the deferral is only on SS taxes.

Ms. Ferris also informed the board on an attempted fraud on the County's warrant account; this is the account the county uses to pay bills. The attempt was thwarted thanks to the Positive Pay process set up with the bank. Positive Pay means the bank will only pay items from a list of checks issued by the Finance Department. The list includes the check #, amount, and date of payment.

April Paige gave an update on the 2020 Summit Chamber of Commerce's COO Breakfast. The event will be held virtually and they have requested donations. The County purchased a table for \$1,200 in 2019 and Commissioners approved the same amount for 2020.

Commissioners also reviewed schedules and upcoming calendar events.

## III. **Potential Litigation and Property Acquisition and the Legal Issues related thereto (Attorney) (Executive Session Recommended)**

Jeff Huntley and Scott Vargo requested an Executive Session to review Potential Litigation and Property Acquisition and the Legal Issues related thereto.

A motion was made by Commissioner Davidson and seconded by Commissioner Lawrence to go into Executive Session to review Potential Litigation and Property Acquisition and the Legal Issues related thereto. BOCC voted 3 to 0 to go into Executive Session per CRS 24-6-402 (4) (a)(b)(d)(e). The motion was approved.

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*Commissioners reconvened into Work Session at 12:02 p.m.*

**MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Davidson and seconded by Commissioner Lawrence to approve the commencement of legal proceedings to ensure continued public access through Lots 16 and 17, Lakeview Meadows Subdivision, to the adjoining National Forest public lands.**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE BOARD PRESENT**

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:



Sara R Lopez, Deputy Clerk



Approved by:



Karn Stiegelmeier, Chair