



ARAPAHOE COUNTY
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**MINUTES OF THE ARAPAHOE COUNTY
 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2016**

At a public meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for Arapahoe County, State of Colorado, held at 5334 South Prince Street, Littleton, Colorado 80120 there were:

Nancy Doty, Chair	Commissioner District 1	Present
Nancy Jackson, Chair Pro-Tem	Commissioner District 4	Present
Nancy A. Sharpe	Commissioner District 2	Present
Rod Bockenfeld	Commissioner District 3	Absent and Excused
Bill Holen	Commissioner District 5	Present
Ron Carl	County Attorney	Present
Matt Crane	Clerk to the Board	Absent and Excused
Joleen Sanchez	Asst. Clerk to the Board	Present

when the following proceedings, among others, were had and done, to-wit:

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Doty called the meeting to order.

INTRODUCTIONS

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Bockenfeld was absent and excused.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MODIFICATION(S) TO THE AGENDA

There were no modifications to the agenda.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The motion was made by Commissioner Holen and duly seconded by Commissioner Jackson to adopt the Agenda as presented.

The motion passed 4-0, Commissioner Bockenfeld absent and excused.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

The motion was made by Commissioner Sharpe and duly seconded by Commissioner Holen to adopt the minutes of the June 28, 2016 and July 5, 2016 public meetings as presented.

The motion passed 4-0, Commissioner Bockenfeld absent and excused.

CEREMONIES

There were no ceremonies on this date.

CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

Tom Maloney requested a reply from the Board related to emails and phone calls he has sent.

CONSENT AGENDA

The motion was made by Commissioner Jackson and duly seconded by Commissioner Holen to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.

The motion passed 5-0.

GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS

Item 1 – Resolution No. 160472 - Case No. U16-001 – Arapahoe State Land Board Solar Garden, Use by Special Review

Robert Hill, Senior Assistant County Attorney, established jurisdiction for the Board to hear this case

Bill Skinner, Senior Planner, introduced the case and explained why staff supports this application.

Richard Miller, representing the applicant, presented a PowerPoint presentation.

There was discussion regarding screening the site with shrubbery; Mr. Miller explained why the applicant would not screen the solar panels.

The motion was made by Commissioner Jackson and duly seconded by Commissioner Holen in the case of U16-001, Arapahoe State Land Board Solar Garden, Use by Special Review, that the Board has read the staff report and received testimony at a public hearing. The Board finds itself in agreement with staff findings 1 through 5, including all plans and attachments as set forth in the staff report dated June 13, 2016 and approve this application subject to the following conditions of approval:

1. The applicant will modify the plans as requested by the Public Works & Development Department, prior to the signing of the mylars and before the commencement of any construction activities relating to this project.
2. The applicant will avoid any areas of paleontological, historic, or archaeological importance. If avoidance is not possible, further testing will be conducted, with landowner's permission, to determine the site's eligibility for historic status and a treatment plan will be developed that will be followed to protect eligible sites. The applicant will notify the County of any

plans or activities to deal with historic, paleontological or archaeological sites that cannot be avoided by the construction of the solar garden.

3. The applicant will avoid any Federal and/or State Threatened and Endangered Species, as well as State Species of Concern, if found to exist in areas where the solar garden will be constructed. If any Federal and/or State Threatened and Endangered Species or any State Species of Concern is found to exist in areas where the solar garden will be constructed, then the applicant will collaborate with Colorado Parks and Wildlife and Arapahoe County to mitigate and minimize any potential impact to these species.
4. The applicant will provide the County with a noxious weed control plan for the site prior to construction.

The motion passed 4-0, Commissioner Bockenfeld absent and excused.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

There were no commissioner comments on this date.

There being no other business before the Board, the public meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Doty at 9:56 a.m.

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MATT CRANE, CLERK TO THE BOARD

BY JOLEEN SANCHEZ, ASSISTANT CLERK TO THE BOARD