

MINUTES

PUEBLO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

MAY 24, 2012

A meeting of the Pueblo Area Council of Governments was held on Thursday, May 24, 2012, in the Pueblo County Conference Room, 1001 North Santa Fe Avenue. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Steve Nawrocki, Chairman, at 12:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Those members present were:

Michael Connolly
Michael Colucci
John Cordova
Sandy Daff
Leroy Garcia
Nick Gradisar

Ted Lopez
Roger Lowe
Jerry Martin
Eva Montoya
Steve Nawrocki

Those members absent were:

Jeff Chostner
Chris Kaufman

Chris Nicoll
Anthony Nuñez

Also present were:

Dan Kogovsek
Gilbert Ortiz, Sr.
Rob Leverington

Louella Salazar
Gregory Styduhar
Julie Ann Woods

CONSENT ITEMS:

Ms. Julie Ann Woods, PACOG Manager, reported there were four items listed on the agenda under the Consent Items. She summarized the four Consent Items for PACOG.

Chairman Nawrocki asked if there were any other additions or amendments to the Consent Items or if any of the members or audience would like any of the items removed from the Consent agenda. There was no opposition to the Consent agenda as presented.

Mr. Wrona stated he did not have any opposition to the agenda. He clarified that the resolution for the bridge and deck repairs at Eagleridge and I-25 should be for the project on 29th Street and I-25. He stated the funding will be added to an upcoming project which will provide additional lanes to U.S. 50 from Baltimore to Wills, and will be advertised later this summer. (Note: After discussion with Mr. Wrona following his presentation, it was determined that the correction which was presented at the meeting was incorrect, and the original resolution was correct. There are two projects: one for 29th Street and I-25 and the other for Eagleridge and I-25. The resolution which was correctly submitted was for Eagleridge and I-25.)

It was moved by John Cordova, seconded by Sandy Daff, and passed unanimously to approve the four Consent Items listed below:

- Minutes of April 26, 2012 Meeting;
- Treasurer's Report (Receive and file April 2012 Financial Report);
- A Resolution Amending the Pueblo Area Council of Governments (PACOG) FY 2012-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to Allocate an Additional \$300,000 in FY2012 On-System Bridge Funds for Bridge and Deck Repairs at Eagleridge and I-25 and Directing the Urban Transportation Planning Division to Execute Said Amendment; and
- A Resolution Amending the Pueblo Area Council of Governments (PACOG) FY 2012-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to Allocate an Additional \$3,000,000 in FY2012 Surface Treatment Funds for Surface Treatment Repairs on the U.S. 50 Corridor from Elizabeth Street to Wills Boulevard and Directing the Urban Transportation Planning Division to Execute Said Amendment.

REGULAR ITEMS:

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

- (A) Letter of Support for Funding from the TIGER Discretionary Grant Program for the I-25 Dillon-Eden Interchange Project

Chairman Nawrocki referred PACOG to a letter in their packets to Secretary Ray LaHood, U.S. Department of Transportation urging funding support from the TIGER Discretionary Grant Program for the I-25 Dillon-Eden Interchange Project. The City has asked their lobbyist to speak with our local senators and Representative Scott Tipton in order to get additional monies to finish the project.

- (B) Lunch Appreciation

Chairman Nawrocki thanked the Pueblo Retention and Expansion Program (PREP) for providing lunch for today's meeting.

- (C) Division II National Track Championships

Chairman Nawrocki informed everyone that the Division II National Outdoor Track and Field Championships are being held this weekend at Colorado State University-Pueblo. There will be over 600 athletes participating in the events. He recommended that everyone go out and support these athletes.

- (D) Recognition

Chairman Nawrocki recognized in the audience Mr. Alan Hamel, Executive Director of the Pueblo Board of Water Works.

PUEBLO RETENTION AND EXPANSION PROGRAM

Mr. Steve Chorak from the PREP Board of Directors introduced the board members. He presented a Power Point presentation. PREP is a nonprofit partnership founded in 2007.

He stated a lot of different agencies in Pueblo, such as PEDCo, Pueblo Workforce, Pueblo Community College, and the two chambers of commerce go out and visit different companies. He stated what they were hearing from the private sector companies was if these visits could be coordinated into one organization. The different agencies would go out and visit companies and they would bring up issues to them which were outside their particular expertise. PREP was formed after looking at different models of organizations that do this, and it is a business visitation program. PREP visits Pueblo's primary employers. Primary employers are considered any company that derives over 50% of their income outside of Pueblo County and has more than 10 employees. He stated PREP does three things. The first is thanking companies for doing business in Pueblo. They gather data which is useful for economic and community planning. The second is trying to assist business with the focus on retention and expansion. Retention and expansion of different companies is as important as attraction of new companies. They try to focus on what issues those new companies bring up that they might be able to address as an organization that will retain them in Pueblo and help them grow and prosper. The third purpose is to try to expand and develop relationships with other groups and organizations in Pueblo. There are a lot of different groups and organizations in Pueblo that are focused on economic development or community planning. PREP would like to focus on better coordination in those groups and organizations. PREP wants to address the needs of Pueblo County employers. Its vision leads into moving toward the community having a unified economic development strategy.

Mr. Chorak stated the organizational structure depicts there are positions "open" on PREP. One of their purposes at the PACOG meeting is to replace these "open" slots with specific names. He stated they need some representation for these "open" slots. There are 62 primary employers identified in Pueblo. PREP gathers the data and inputs it into the economic development database system. The Board analyzes the data. At that point in time, they try to source out the assistance request to the agency group or organization that is best equipped to handle it. For example, if it is zoning or planning, it will go to some other governmental agency. They try to get it out to the point of contact at that particular agency so that person can coordinate whatever resources. Last year, they visited 37 companies. Those sectors included: advanced manufacturing, industrial goods, consumer/durable goods, health care/hospitals, business services and retail, telecommunications and call centers, and energy/utilities. He stated the positive thing they heard from companies is even in times of economic downturn their company has grown, expanded their sales, expanded their facilities, got new products, production improvements, or got some special recognition from its industry. He stated in 2011, in the midst of an economic downturn, 61% of the companies they visited said their sales are expanding. He stated if the elected officials want information to help them make decisions on community and economic development they can bring this to the table.

Mr. Rich Werner, PREP Board of Directors, stated a lot of the information which they collect will always generate specific requests for assistance, but they also collectively, through the data analysis, identify common themes. What they have heard from companies as far as "positives" in Pueblo is that it has a positive business climate, the cost of living is lower than a lot of areas (15% lower than most metropolitan areas in the country), the small town feeling, the manufacturing base, the labor pool is extensive, and Pueblo Community College and PEDCo. PCC is the number one community college in the State of Colorado for customized workforce training. Some of Pueblo's weaknesses include rising increases in energy and skilled labor pool because companies are worried about advanced skills such as engineering, upper management, etc. Pueblo has a strong manufacturing base but the

reality is it takes computer and engineering skills. There is a concern from employers on the K-12 education system. The other weakness is "soft skills"--show up to work on time, do your job, how to interview, and how to dress. Our next generation needs to concentrate on these. There is an image of Pueblo which is negative such as illegal dumping. PREP collects the data through the interviews and then takes specific issue requests that a company will ask for and brings it to the appropriate agency. PREP is a good listening post. Some of the specific requests deal with workforce and training, government relations, community services, and supply chain assistance. He stated 83% of the requests received have been resolved. The rest go into reportable issues. He stated when a company needs assistance, PREP can't do it by themselves. PREP needs to rely on the decision-makers, City agencies, and County agencies to solve a problem. These problems could be a zoning issue, a traffic issue, a road issue, etc. He stated, for example, if a company wants to expand by 20 employees, there are others who might need to be involved such as CDOT, the City, or the County, all for a road. He stated PREP should be able to pick up a phone and have direction to solve those problems. He stated where there is an open slot, they need a specific person to step up to the plate and take ownership in helping with these efforts. PREP is not asking for money, but asking that the elected officials understand what they do and how they do it and how the elected officials can participate in the process.

Ms. Daff asked if Mr. John Batey from the Urban Renewal Authority has been approached about serving. Mr. Chorak stated if there are any recommendations PREP can talk to on the open slots, they would contact them. Mr. Martin stated he would like Pueblo West to be served by its District Manager, Jack Johnston. Mr. Werner stated this is great. There is a GPS engineering company and they have a bunch of workers in Pueblo West, who are developing technology to help the U.S. Army to land cargo supplies to a cliff in Afghanistan. They wanted assistance on work force issues.

Mr. Connolly asked if it would be possible to contact the two school district superintendents and inform them why the K-12 education system is a negative. Mr. Werner replied they are working with the Pueblo Education Consortium to directly bring those issues to the districts.

Mr. Bob Schmidt volunteered to serve as Pueblo County's representative regarding transportation issues.

Chairman Nawrocki stated he didn't remember being requested from the City Council to be a part of PREP. Mr. Werner stated PREP needs help from everyone and getting the word out. He stated when the elected officials are talking with local businesses they can let them know there is a resource and there is a place to go for assistance. Chairman Nawrocki stated if a request was made through the City Manager's office, then City Council President Kaufman or the City Council's Work Session Chair Daff could bring it up at a meeting and ask for a volunteer.

Mr. Colucci asked if they wanted school district representation. Mr. Chorak replied yes. He stated they have representation from PCC and CSU-P, but they would also like to have representation from the local school districts.

Mr. Cordova stated he would bring up this up at the Board of County Commissioners' work session for discussion regarding placing someone in a slot to represent the County.

Mr. Schmidt stated he has been working with the City and Pueblo West on a community sustainability energy plan and would be willing to represent this group on PREP. He stated a large amount of data has been collected.

Mr. Werner stated he would also like volunteers for the interview process.

Chairman Nawrocki stated he didn't see the representatives from the chambers of commerce listed. Mr. Werner replied they do have some participation from them.

Mr. Gradisar stated 62 companies were identified, but only 37 were interviewed. He asked if this was because there weren't enough volunteers or did the companies not want to participate. Ms. Michelle Francis from PREP replied they meet with companies every other year in the interview process. She stated they will never hit every company in the same year. She stated sometimes it may not be a good time for a company to do an interview. She stated they really try to help those companies that are struggling. They help them understand that PREP is designed to assist them. Mr. Gradisar asked how long the interviews take. Ms. Francis responded about an hour. There are two people who go out, noting one interacts with the company and the other is checking to see that the data which is collected is accurate.

Mr. Cordova stated he saw that PREP also wanted someone from the County government for other slots. Mr. Werner replied that is correct. He stated they want to be able to access the assistance they need with the tremendous variety of problems which need to be resolved. It is 10 times easier to help a company stay in business or grow their business than it is to attract a new business into our community. He stated PREP wants to see companies already in Pueblo to grow and succeed. Mr. Chorak stated Ms. Aimee Tihonovich was one of the founding members of PREP, but she moved back over to the County Finance Department, so someone from the County is needed. Mr. Cordova replied the County Commissioners would discuss this at their administrative work session.

Ms. Peggy Willcox from PREP shared a success story. Mr. Joe O'Brien and she interviewed Premier Fulfillment. They had an issue with expansion, noting they wanted to expand but because of where their business is located there were issues with the Dillon expansion. Mr. O'Brien took them to the City Public Works Department and those issues are being looked at and being resolved, so they can move forward with their expansion plans. Premier Fulfillment already employs a number of people and loves Pueblo. Ms. Daff asked if that is a PEDCo success story. Ms. Willcox replied the issue came up at a PREP interview and then it was passed on to PEDCo. The issue was Premier was trying to address the problem of its expansion and had gotten nowhere, and then it was brought up at the PREP interview and was passed on.

PUEBLO WEST METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMENTS ON 208 WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Mr. Jack Johnston, District Manager, Pueblo West Metropolitan District, read into the record a statement. He stated no community wants any other upstream community to discharge effluent even if effectively treated into their drinking water supply. The so-called "yuck" factor was recently relayed in the Pueblo Chieftain. However, no community cannot be deprived the opportunity to address specific wastewater needs based on their geography, topography, and population. This is one of the principal reasons the Federal Clean Water Act does not allow for local authority to control and restrict wastewater operations in favor of

an objective State level decision-making body, in our case the Water Quality Control Commission. Pueblo West understands the natural resistance to its proposed golf course wash discharge and, as such, voluntarily agreed instead to maximize its current discharge via the Wildhorse pipeline. This is a good faith compromise considering their lawsuit was based on its participation in the kayak park flow management program and not its wastewater discharge. Despite this action, PACOG staff has insisted, as PACOG has seen through memorandums, on the addition of language into the 208 draft that would attempt to restrict Pueblo West and its future wastewater planning. To further demonstrate its desire to resolve this matter locally, Pueblo West agreed to add an entirely new section further reinforcing commitment to Lake Pueblo water quality. Pueblo West offered and desired different language, but in another compromise agreed to accept PACOG staff's verbiage sans the last sentence. This is a sentence that PACOG can live without because its absence would in no way diminish any PACOG member's legal rights to oppose site applications nor would its inclusion legally prevent a PACOG member from submitting one, but it is a sentence Pueblo West cannot live with because it cannot legally or morally do anything to deter from its right for any strategic options towards offering its basic services. That said, Pueblo West's construction of the Wildhorse pipeline will postpone any consideration of an alternate discharge point for more than decades to come. As such, any future decisions regarding necessary recycling/reuse must be left to future science, technology, and regulation, and the will of the decision-makers of that time. The Water Quality Control Division has done a preliminary review of this language and expressed concern about a precedent it could set across the State based on the very first point that he made, which is every community would want their 208 Plan to restrict upstream discharge. Another comment was the basic premise that this is a plan and that this disputed sentence attempts to create restrictions that do not legally exist, are not consistent with the general purposes of 208 Plans, and don't exist across the State in current 208 Plans. Finally, the Water Quality Control Division better understands that PACOG is a strictly voluntary, non-binding organization and does not seem inclined to force any community into a 208 Plan for which they do not fully subscribe or support. PACOG, in its own Plan in draft now, has further committed that by the next update water quality planning would vacate PACOG boundaries and be done on a water basin/watershed basis which would separate Colorado City, for example, into a new group and marry the rest of us in the Arkansas Valley with more than 20 upstream dischargers. It is important to note that two of us within the PACOG membership roughly own 12% of the water in Lake Pueblo, which means 88% outside majority ownership extends this issue far beyond local quality stewardship. Regrettably, PACOG staff has refused Pueblo West's offer for an additional meeting and further rejected mediation that was offered by the Water Quality Control Division. Pueblo West has demonstrated numerous compromises to date, and has now reached its farthest point. So, Pueblo West is now respectfully asking PACOG to offer the same spirit of compromise by removing the last sentence so it can move forward in voluntary cooperation as defined by the mission of this organization. An inordinate amount of resources has been expended on this and many more would be if we can't resolve the matter locally.

Mr. Martin stated the required public notice has to go in for public comment. He would hope that the proposed 208 Plan would be based on a consensus of PACOG. As such, he would like to make a motion to delete the final sentence, which is PACOG's policy statement on Pueblo Reservoir (page 14 of the document). This states that "Subject to the authority of the regulatory agencies as set forth in the Federal Clean Water Act and the Colorado Water Quality Control Act, it is PACOG's policy that there should be no discharges of effluent to the Pueblo Reservoir or its tributaries directly or indirectly from NPDES/CDPS permitted

facilities within the designated PACOG planning area.” He stated this is the only thing that Pueblo West objects to.

Mr. Kogovsek stated any amendment to the 208 Plan requires public notice. This discussion is not subject to that public notice. He stated he disagrees with Mr. Johnston. Staff has been cooperative. There were two points of contention. One was should Pueblo West be a management agency. Staff has agreed on that point. The issue of putting effluent into the drinking water of this community is something staff is going to recommend it not be a part of the 208 Plan. Procedurally, the motion is out of order and this is a subject which is going to be discussed at the next PACOG meeting after public notice.

Mr. Martin stated his point was that whatever is being published now for public comment at least have a consensus of PACOG and not just the staff. Mr. Kogovsek replied the public notice indicates that the Plan’s adoption will be considered by PACOG. It can be amended after public notice. Pueblo West is invited as we have said at numerous meetings to submit its language. Staff will submit its language. After a public debate, PACOG will decide. We have been in touch with the Water Quality Control Commission and their position respectfully is not as stated by Mr. Johnston. In fact, they are having a hard time understanding Pueblo West’s position in light of the fact that it took back the pumpback proposal. They are confused by Pueblo West’s position. He stated the motion is premature. All the public notice says is that PACOG will discuss the 208 Plan at its June meeting.

Mr. Styduhar stated it is important to note as we go throughout the process of evaluating the Plan that was initially introduced to PACOG by its consultant that we’re finding typos. In some way you could perceive this last sentence as a typo or a work in progress. Certainly, PACOG as a whole could consider the various language that is proposed by either staff or the Pueblo West Metropolitan District. Staff has taken direction from PACOG. Staff has not based its negotiations or decisions on its own feelings, but only on that which has been passed down to us by PACOG. This has been based upon the previous resolutions that were adopted by PACOG, as well as the previous Plan that was adopted by PACOG, and more importantly, what was told to PACOG staff in March. This is what staff has attempted to do is to negotiate suitable language. They have made headway. Unfortunately, it is only the last sentence that both parties can’t agree on.

Mr. Martin withdrew his motion.

Chairman Nawrocki stated it is his understanding the notice would be going out this weekend and it would be heard at PACOG’s June meeting. He stated he hoped everything could be resolved. What is important is Pueblo West wants to be its own water management agency, and he felt this should be the ultimate goal on how to do that. He stated this has become an “ego standoff” with this issue. He stated it is his understanding that it can be amended down the road, noting things could change at any time in the future.

Mr. Gradisar stated the last sentence says “subject to the authority of the regulatory agencies”. He asked if this basically means it doesn’t matter what we put in here we’re not going to make the decision. Mr. Styduhar responded no, noting this language was placed in there to assuage Pueblo West’s concern, as well as the State’s concern, that somehow this language would take authority away from those two entities. The Plan provides guidance in various water quality management decisions, in particular, a site application. The State is required to go through its own regulations, which contains quantitative and analytical analysis as well as a public policy analysis, which includes looking at its 208 Plan. The

State gets an application and goes through that analysis. The only comment that a planning agency can provide under that particular regulation is limited to consistency with the 208 Plan. In other words, the only time the 208 planning agency could object to a site application or a design application would be if that application was inconsistent with the Plan. Mr. Gradisar stated if this language isn't in there, you wouldn't be able to object to Pueblo West's planning its future. Mr. Styduhar replied that particular phrase, the first phrase which is at the beginning of the sentence, recognizes that authority, noting this is the law and this is how the process for applications is set forth. If that particular last sentence, as a whole, was not in there and an entity proposed to discharge effluent into the Pueblo Reservoir, there could be an argument made that the planning agency has no comment in that regard because it is not inconsistent with the Plan. The planning agency might be forced to say this is consistent with the Plan.

Ms. Woods informed PACOG they should have received the draft Plan by e-mail. If a PACOG member hasn't received it, they should contact staff. If a paper copy is needed, please let staff know and a copy will be mailed to them.

MANAGER'S REPORT

(A) Pueblo Regional Development Plan Update

Ms. Julie Ann Woods, PACOG Manager, presented a Power Point presentation. She updated PACOG on the Comprehensive Plan, also referred to as a metropolitan area plan. The City and County planning staff have been meeting on a regular basis for the last couple of months, along with Jack Johnston from the Pueblo West Metropolitan District. The goal is to have a comprehensive plan, noting the current document is ten years old. We need to look at it and make sure the vision of the Plan is consistent with the current situation in our community. She stated this is a good opportunity to look at the Plan because there is not a lot of development pressure in the planning departments to be able to regroup and reassess before the economy starts building up and we have significant caseloads. The City Council and Board of County Commissioners have been approached on it. We are at the beginning of the process. What we need to start with is the community profile. We are trying to make the process be reflected in our GIS layers so that when we start looking at alternatives to growth and development we will be able to use that tool to reflect what the possibilities are as a policy discussion amongst the decision-makers. Once we've got the demographic information pulled together, we will begin to analyze the information and try to identify what trends we are seeing, determine whether we have too much of one land use and not enough of another, or hone in on those issues we are going to need to address. Included in this will be the transportation system—have we reached capacity or not, or what are some of the programs we will need to look at per a transportation perspective. The reason transportation is important is because the land use and transportation connection is imperative in terms of good planning. We will be requesting some funds from CDOT to help in the planning effort. We are attempting to come up with a process to seek out community input. They are now identifying interest groups. The goal is how to get that input and what is going to be asked. They will ask, listen, and facilitate a lot of different methods to get that input from the community at-large. They will try to prioritize as it relates to policy decisions.

Ms. Woods stated they are leaning towards developing the Plan by topic area, such as housing, the environment, transportation, etc. We are in the Inventory and Analysis process right now. Existing staff will be used to be able to do the inventory analysis and background information. It is our hope to get funding for FY 2013 and FY 2014.

Ms. Woods stated it is not untypical once you have completed a Plan to look at the Land Use Regulations to see if they need to be tweaked in order to match the vision. More typically you will develop a work program and master improvement plan to reflect those new priorities which are based on the Plan's directions or goals. It will be important for the decision-makers to identify funding mechanisms and budget accordingly in order to implement the Plan. Finally, it is important that the community continue to reexamine the Plan every few years to make sure it is reflective of the community's vision.

Ms. Woods stated staff will be going to the Board of County Commissioners and City Council in June for requests for funding to subsidize what we can't make up in the expected cost of the Plan. The rest of the process will kick off, if we are successful in getting the funding, in January 2013. It is anticipated to be a two-year process. It should be adopted by December 2014. We are very fortunate because of what Mr. Scott Hobson has been doing with CDOT and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). There are funds available for keeping the Long Range Transportation Plan current. Mr. Hobson has been in communication with CDOT and FHWA regarding working the two plans together in order to make the most of the funds available. The total amount anticipated for the Plan update over the two-year period would be \$300,000. A good part would be for consultants who would help in the transportation analysis part of the Plan, as well as demographic analysis. We are looking at a contribution from the FHWA funds through CDOT of \$100,000 for two years for a total of \$200,000. The County would be funding \$15,000 per year for a total of \$30,000. They are hoping Pueblo West would be funding \$10,000 per year for a total of \$20,000. If this should happen, then this would make up the County's total portion of \$50,000. The City of Pueblo would be funding \$25,000 per year for a total of \$50,000. The last time the Plan was updated was in 2002, it cost \$250,000.

Ms. Woods stated the metropolitan area is being looked as the baseline area for the Plan update. We will not be looking at the entire County, which is what the previous Plan did. Because we are using transportation funds, we will be focusing on the metropolitan area. The proposed area also includes Pueblo Springs Ranch, the GCC area south of the City, Walker Ranch adjacent to Pueblo West, and probably the Vineland area.

Ms. Woods stated at this point in time the City and County staff is looking for feedback from PACOG so that we can move forward in the budgeting process. We have not established the planning horizon, but it would probably make sense to look at a 2025 planning horizon. They have been working with the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) in getting some of their demographic projections. It is projected approximately 11,300 new households in this area by the year 2020. We want to know where this development will occur. She stated a more concerted geographic approach would be taken to some of the outlying areas such as Beulah, Colorado City/Rye area, Boone, and Avondale, as subarea approaches which would occur in subsequent years.

Ms. Montoya and Chairman Nawrocki felt we needed to get started on it. Mr. Martin thought it was wonderful.

Mr. Connolly asked why they didn't include the Business 50 corridor all the way to Avondale in the initial Plan. Ms. Woods replied this is outside of the MPO area and because we are using the funding that is available through CDOT that is why we tried to stay where we could in the MPO. Vineland is closer and it can be justified to be brought into the MPO boundary. Mr. Connolly stated in the whole corridor there is a concentration of population. Ms. Woods

stated it is their expectation that this would become a subarea plan they would focus on in 2014 or 2015.

Mr. Gradisar asked if the Plan needs to be updated periodically or is it because things have changed because of development. Ms. Woods replied the County is required to update their Plan under the State statutes.

MPO STAFF REPORT

There was no MPO staff report.

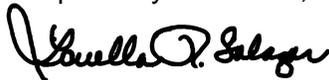
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

There was no Transportation Commissioner's report.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before PACOG, the meeting was adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Louella R. Salazar
PACOG Recording Secretary

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JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Following the regular PACOG meeting, there was a joint meeting held between the Pueblo City Council and Board of County Commissioners to appoint members to the Pueblo Regional Building Board of Appeals, Electrical Board of Appeals, Mechanical Board of Appeals, and Plumbing Board of Appeals. The following persons were appointed:

- Building Board of Appeals – Rodney A. Scott (Contractor) and Brandon Houghton (Experienced Person)
- Electrical Board of Appeals – Charles Montera (Contractor) and Dan Henderson (Engineer)
- Mechanical Board of Appeals – Jeffrey Giordano (Journeyman)
- Plumbing Board of Appeals - Russell Giffing (Journeyman)

All terms will expire on July 1, 2015. Both entities agreed to ratify the appointments at one of their future meetings.