



**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
MOUNTAIN RIDES TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
Wednesday, March 4, 2015, 1:30 p.m.
Webb Conference Room Annex, 191 8th Street, Suite D, Ketchum, Idaho**

Board Members of the Mountain Rides Transportation Authority of the Cities of Bellevue, Hailey, Ketchum and Sun Valley, and Blaine County, State of Idaho, met in a Special Meeting in the Webb Conference Room Annex, Ketchum, Idaho.

PRESENT: Chair Mark Gilbert (Sun Valley), Vice-chair David Patrie (Blaine County), Secretary Steve Wolper (At-Large), Michael David (Ketchum), Kristin Derrig (Ketchum) and Joe Miczulski (Bellevue)

ABSENT: Susan McBryant (Hailey) and Jane Conard (Sun Valley)

ALSO Mountain Rides Executive Director Jason Miller

PRESENT: Mountain Rides Business Manager Wendy Crosby
Support Specialist Kim MacPherson
Operations Manager Jim Finch
Keevan Shropshire, JHS Architects
Kurt Eggers, Eggers and Associates
Terry Smith *Idaho Mountain Express*

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mark Gilbert called to order the meeting of Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 1:30pm. Secretary Steve Wolper called roll and a quorum was established.

2. Action item:

Action on bid results of Invitation to Bid for Ketchum Transportation Hub, released February 4, 2015

Jason Miller gave an update to the Ketchum transportation Hub bid. There was only one bid which was over budget. The easement agreement from the KURA was not approved. The KURA wanted it to be a "license agreement." Jason Miller recommended rejecting the bid. Board member Steve Wolper said that it is just a "bump in the road." Board member Mike David agreed and said that as a Ketchum City Council member he supports the project. Board member Dave Patrie believes a transit hub is integral in a community like ours. Mike David also said that the City of Ketchum has started paid parking discussions. Jason Miller stated that this experience or point where we are at happens in the transit world with projects such as this. Jim Finch asked how we build this project with a \$312,000 budget. Kurt Eggers stated that he is

disappointed that this project wasn't able to be built as he was looking forward to the project. Jason Miller stated that Mountain Rides staff will follow up with Sawtooth Construction. Mark Gilbert stated that this is just "an inability to proceed" and not a failure and that we intend to prevail.

Dave Patrie moved to reject the single bid received from Sawtooth Construction in the amount of \$563,176.36 for Section A and reject the single bid received from Sawtooth Construction in the amount of \$880,111.96 for Section A+B and to direct staff to find a way to repurpose the grant federal funds to use within the community. These bids are rejected on the grounds that both are over the established budget for the project and that Mountain Rides has been unable to obtain satisfactory continuing control over the property where improvements are made, which is required of the Federal Transit Administration funding for the project. Joe Miczulski seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Action item:

Action on release of Invitation to Bid for Bellevue South Valley Facility, March 2015

Jason Miller gave an update on the South Valley facility. Keevan Shropshire of JHS and his staff have been working on moving this project towards bid release, which is still scheduled for March 11, 2015. Most recently Mountain Rides staff has been working with the Federal Transit Administration on the inclusion of the apartment. FTA has indicated that the apartment may not be an allowable part of this project and that there may be an involved review process. Initially, FTA indicated that we would only need to submit a joint development letter, but they are now indicating that this may not be the right course and that it would be much more lengthy, difficult and questionable as to approval. This issue was discussed at the Finance and Performance Committee, and the recommendation from the committee is to not include an apartment and to change that space to a larger driver break/training room and additional employee offices. With this change coming close to when we want to advertise bids on March 11th, there is much last minute work to be done to update the drawings and documentation. As a result, Jason Miller suggests that the board authorize him to coordinate all of the necessary final details. Keevan wanted to stress that fact that the space is being repurposed and not "redesigned" so they are not adding any costs to the project. Keevan also stated that he will be in contact with the bidders,

Joe Miczulski moved to release and advertise the Invitation to Bid for Mountain Rides South Valley Transit Facility construction in Bellevue Idaho on March 11th, 2015, subject to final review by legal counsel to ensure compliance with all applicable state and federal rules, regulations and statutes, and subject to changing the apartment area of the building to a driver break room and employee offices. This Invitation for Bid will be advertised on March 11th and 18th and bids will be received until 2:00pm on April 10th, 2015. Additionally, the Executive Director is authorized to manage, in conjunction with the project architect JHS, the final assembly of this bid and completion of all associated bid documents between now and when the bid is advertised on March 11th, 2015. Kristin Derrig seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

4. Action item:

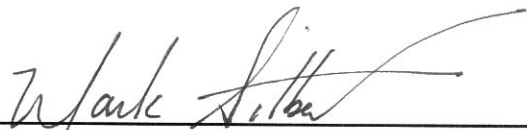
Action on submission of letter to FTA requesting approval of joint development use of the south valley facility for one (1) workforce housing accessory dwelling unit

This item is removed from the agenda due to the fact that it appears unlikely that FTA will approve this and that adding the apartment to the scope of work for the grant would be problematic and possibly disallowed. Staff and Finance and Performance committee recommend changing the apartment space to offices and larger driver break room.

Terry Smith of the *Idaho Mountain Express* asked about the reason for having a residential apartment in the first place for the South Valley facility. Jason Miller said to be consistent since we have workforce housing currently in the Mountain Rides building. Terry Smith also asked how much money was spent to date regarding the transportation hub. Jason Miller said that approximately \$70,000 has been spent to date on the hub design.

5. Adjournment

Dave Patrie moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:10pm. Mike David seconded and the motion carried unanimously.



Chair Mark Gilbert