

CITIZEN BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 10th, 2021 – 5:00 p.m.

<i>Committee Members</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	Attending Guests & City Personnel:
Blythe Driver	X		John Karner: Finance Director (970) 350-9732
Jose Garcia	X		Robert Miller: Budget & Compliance Manager (970) 350-9735
Jesse Quinby	X		Benjamin Alexander: Financial Analyst II (970) 336-4086
John Schull		X	Brandon Garza: Financial Analyst I (970) 350-9769
K. Trent Howell	X		Paul Fetherston: Deputy City Manager (970) 350-9730
Laura Fischer	X		Raymond Lee: Deputy City Manager (970) 350-9785
Lori Williams	X		Joel Hemesath: Public Works Director (970) 350-9795
Ron Adams	X		Will Jones: Deputy Public Works Director (970) 350-9751
Nick Kenny		X	James Redmond: Communication Specialist III (970) 350-9790

- **Attendance & Announcements**

- Meeting starts at 5:01 pm.

- **Approve Minutes**

Motion: Approve minutes from the January 13th CBAC meeting.

Motion By: Jesse Quinby

Motion Carried: Ron Adams

Official Posting Site Motion

- Unanimous vote in favor to designate the City of Greeley's website, www.greeleygov.com, as the official posting site for meeting notices of the CBAC Committee, and the public lobby of City Hall, located at 1000 10th Street, as the backup location for such postings.

Keep Greeley Moving Tax Renewal

- Review of the Keep Greeley Moving Tax Renewal Timeline
 - February 2nd, 2021 - CBAC.
 - February 23rd, 2021 - Council Work session.
 - May – Polling.
 - August 17th, 2021 - Refer to Ballot.
 - November 2nd, 2021 – Election.
- Review of the Keep Greeley Moving tax details.
 - The Keep Greeley Moving tax funds transportation-related repairs, improvements, & construction through a 0.65% sales tax on all non-grocery purchases.
 - Voters approved Keep Greeley Moving in 2015 with 56.6% of the vote.

- The City is seeking reauthorization of the tax in 2021.
- Review of the Keep Greeley Moving Funding Priorities that include road repaving & maintenance, road expansion & improvements, and curb, gutter & sidewalk repairs.
- Review of Greeley's Pavement Quality Index (PQI) and the current process to increase PQI's to 70+.
- Review of the accomplishments from the Keep Greeley Moving tax funding.
- Review of the Keep Greeley Moving expansion projects.
- Review of Keep Greeley Moving expenditures from 2016-2020.
- Discussion of the benefits if Keep Greeley Moving were reauthorized.
- Review of the current needed infrastructure repairs.
 - 47% of concrete properties need repairs.
 - 37% of intersection cross pans need repairs.
 - 67% of ADA ramps need repairs.
 - 16% of asphalt miles need repairs.
- Review of Greeley's future road capacity improvements.
- Review of Keep Greeley Moving tax revenues if the tax were renewed for an additional 7 years.
- Discussion regarding the impact of not renewing Keep Greeley Moving, such as delayed or canceled projects and services, reduced road maintenance, livability & quality of life, business development, higher maintenance, and no dedicated funding for ADA compliance or road maintenance.
 - Without this revenue, Greeley will be forced to delay or cut important projects or services. Road maintenance will be reduced, livability & quality of life will diminish, business attraction will be more difficult, maintenance costs will be higher, and there will be no dedicated funding for ADA compliance or road maintenance.
- Review of the tax renewal & election timeline.
 - 2020: Food Tax was approved.
 - 2021: Potential Keep Greeley Moving reauthorization.
 - 2022: Mid-terms, potential Weld County District 6 Election, & the original Keep Greeley Moving tax expires.
 - 2026: Food Tax expires.
 - 2029: Keep Greeley Moving tax potential reauthorization expires.
- Discussion about the Keep Greeley Moving considerations.
 - Renewal (extend the tax or let expire).
 - Tax Rate (keep or increase the rate of 0.65%).
 - Tax Term (keep or change the term of 7 years).
- The City recommends a continuation of the Keep Greeley Moving 0.65% sales tax for seven years until 2029, and referring to voters on the November 2021 ballot.

Open Discussion about the Keep Greeley Moving Tax Renewal

- Discussion about the revenue projections should the City keep the same tax rate.
- Discussion about how the ballot language would be presented should the tax term or tax rate be increased.
- Discussion about how street maintenance has continued as normal despite the community staying home more often.
- Discussion about how an increased tax rate would allow the City's PQI to increase and be comparable to other cities.
- Discussion about how a recommendation on a tax increase would be premature without polling results.
- Discussion about how if the reauthorization fails this year, there would still be another chance to renew in 2022.

CBAC Keep Greeley Moving Tax Renewal Recommendation

- Motion to recommend to City Council to renew the Keep Greeley Moving tax at its present term of 7 years, and that the City Council use polling data to investigate a potential increase up to 0.95% and pursue the increase if polling supports it.
- Unanimous vote in favor of the motion.

CARES Review

- Total CARES Act funds received in 2020: \$4,952,352.
- Remaining CARES Act funds in 2021: \$319,836.
- Total CARES Act Allocation: \$5,272,188.
- Review of Greeley CARES Funds distributed by departments, organizations, funds, & categories.
- Review of other 2020 COVID-related grants.

Review of Upcoming Agenda Items

- Discussion about the next meeting's agenda items.

Requests

- Request to determine whether other committees have formally voted to recommend to go forward with the Terry Ranch project. No request to vote or recommend the project was made during the last CBAC meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:23 pm.

Next Regular Meeting: March 10th, 2021

5:00-6:30 p.m.

Zoom (<https://greeleygov.zoom.us/j/84522205131>)

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John Karner

John Karner, Finance Director

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Kenneth Howell

K. Trent Howell, Chairperson