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## ***Greater Rifle Improvement Team (GRIT) ADVISORY BOARD***

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### ***Regular Meeting Agenda – Remote***

Sept. 8, 2020, 12:00 p.m.

City Hall - Rifle, Colorado      REMOTE MEETING  
202 Railroad Avenue

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*The Board may take action on any of the following agenda items as presented or modified prior to or during the meeting, and items necessary or convenient to effectuate the agenda items.*

- 12:00 p.m.    Call to Order and Roll Call
- 12:02 p.m.    Visitor Introductions
- 12:08 p.m.    Approve Minutes from August 11, 2020 meeting
- 12:10 p.m.    Partner Group Update – Approximate 5 minutes each
- EDC
  - DDA
  - Chamber
- 12:25 p.m.    Project Updates – Approximate 3 minutes each
- Grand Hogback Trail System update
  - Historic Bridge Assessment Grant update
  - City of Rifle Humanity Restoration Crew (working name)
- 12:45 p.m.    2021 GRIT Budget update
- 1:00 p.m.    Adjourn

**Meeting will be held remotely to meet state physical distancing guidelines**

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*The order and times of agenda items listed above are approximate and intended as a guideline for the Board*

***Next Regular Meeting: Oct. 13, 2020***

The GRIT Advisory Board has two Grant Cycles. The **Grant Cycle/Deadline** to submit the application are:  
January Cycle – Application Deadline: December 31<sup>st</sup> Funding: February  
June Cycle – Application Deadline: May 31<sup>st</sup> Funding: July

**VISITOR IMPROVEMENT FUND  
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

Tuesday August 11, 2020

REGULAR MEETING

\*Noon\* City Hall Conference Room

A regular meeting of the GRIT advisory board, held remotely utilizing video call, is called to order at 12:14 p.m.

**Present at Roll Call:** Garrick Frontella, Brian Conde, Helen Rogers, Brian Conde, Tanya Doose, Katie Mackley, Kari Slappy.

**No Visitors Present at meeting**

**Also Present:** Kim Burner, Quiriat Portuguese, and Nathan Lindquist

Kristine Llacuna arrives late.

Minutes: A motion is made by Katie Mackley to approve the minutes for June, the motion is seconded by Helen Rodgers, and the motion passes.

Partner Group Updates-

**R.R.E.D.C.** - Katie Mackley speaks for the R.R.E.D.C. and updates the board on the conclusion of the two loan programs for local businesses. Katie extends another thank you from local business owners to the City of Rifle for the loans approved. The loans were an integral part in the survival of many of our local businesses during this pandemic. As colder weather nears, there will be continued need to operate within COVID-19 parameters. Helen Rodgers asks for the amount of each loan and how they will be reconciled. Katie replies that during Phase I the loans were \$2,000 to be used on operating costs while the businesses were closed. Phase II, targeted at restaurants to help mitigate cost additional operating costs caused by COVID 19 where limited to \$5,000 per application totaling it to \$70,000. That doesn't include the \$23,000 for the park-lets. All funds used to date will be reimbursed by the C.A.R.E.S. ACT.

**The Chamber** – Tanya Doose represents the Chamber and updates the board that they are quite busy. An S.B.D.C. (Small Business Development Center) representative will be working with, and at, the chamber to further support our local businesses. Carla Delgado, The Chamber's Administrative Assistant, is bilingual and enriching the bond with the community in form of translation and communications. Craft 101 tourism program has been completed with work continuing to create 3 regional itineraries for Colorado.com and used for local tourism marketing.

**The D.D.A.** - Helen Rogers speaks for the D.D.A. and updates the board on the Farmer's Market's success. The low contact pick up is working wonderfully. High-water Farms and Harvey Gap Melons, both out of Silt, are new vendors to the market. The performances held at The UTE are also going well. There are five more performances left this summer into fall.

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Budget Discussion

Kim Burner updates the board on the proposed 2021 budget. Revenue for lodging has been down 50% so far. Marketing is being fine-tuned to fit the current trend. The Grand Hogback trails phase II has been considered in the budget with \$30,000. The trails will be a great option for recreation that is still social distancing safe for locals and visitors. UTE operations and maintenance has been cut from 2021 budget and will be back in 2022. Nathan Lindquist informs the board that money will be put into the budget to ensure funds are available if and when things go back to normal. A DOLA grant was approved for the 3<sup>rd</sup> street improvement Rifle's infrastructure.

Meeting adjourns at 1:25 p.m.

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Garrick Frontella  
GRIT Chair

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Quiriat Portuguez  
Administrative Assistant