

**RESOLUTION NO. 2204**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO, ESTABLISHING A DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE**

WHEREAS, the Golden City Council in 1989 adopted an urban renewal plan for the downtown area of the city, allocating at the time 100% of the property and sales tax increment to the project; and

WHEREAS, since that time, many elements of the plan have been accomplished and many others remain; and

WHEREAS, the tax increment revenue stream that funds the downtown urban renewal project will expire upon the payment of 2014 property and sales taxes in 2015;

WHEREAS, the amenities, levels of service, beautification, and redevelopment of downtown that have been put into place in the past two decades will require continued maintenance and improvement; and

WHEREAS, significant redevelopment projects in the downtown area will likely require significant redevelopment incentives; and

WHEREAS, the City of Golden may be constrained in terms of providing development incentives, and may be constrained in allocating general funds to the downtown due to factors currently being studied by the Blue Ribbon Panel; and

WHEREAS, the Golden City Council, the Golden Urban Renewal Authority, and the Golden Economic Development Commission have been reviewing options for creating a successor entity to the GURA downtown project for several years and have recommended a Downtown Development Authority (DDA) as the legal entity best-suited to finance and oversee future downtown projects; and

WHEREAS, the Golden City Council by City Council Resolution 2161 has directed that GURA and City staff work towards the community's consideration of a DDA; and

WHEREAS, the Golden City Council finds that it would be useful to gain the insight and support of a dedicated group of downtown property owners, business owners, and residents who would evaluate the concept of a DDA, make recommendations to City Council, actively explain the DDA concept to the electors, and then potentially serve on the DDA Board,

WHEREAS, while this group of volunteers will be referred to as the Downtown Development Task Force, they shall not be constituted a permanent "Board" or "Commission" as contemplated by Section 10.1 of the City of Golden Home Rule Charter. Rather, this group is convened as an "ad hoc" committee pursuant to City Council's plenary powers.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN COLORADO:

Section 1. The Downtown Development Task Force is hereby established.

**Section 2.** The purpose of this Downtown Development Task Force is to:

- a) evaluate the kinds of projects and programs currently underway downtown and make recommendations regarding whether and how they should be continued;
- b) evaluate the sources and uses of funds that a DDA would make available, and make recommendation regarding them;
- c) evaluate and make recommendations on the boundary and organizational structure of the DDA; and
- d) communicate and promote the above to City Council, the citizens of Golden, and the potential electors of the DDA via public meetings, web based discussions, and other means.

**Section 3.** The application deadline will be September 12, 2012. The City will advertise the Downtown Development Task Force and this deadline through the Informer and other means as appropriate.

**Section 4.** On or before September 27, 2012 the Downtown Development Task Force members will be appointed by the Mayor with City Council's consent.

**Section 5.** The Downtown Development Task Force will initially convene in October 2012, and will meet at least monthly through November 2013. At its initial meeting, the group will appoint its leadership and adopt rules of procedure.

**Section 6.** The Downtown Development Task Force will submit a final report to City Council on the items listed in Section 2 above by May 31, 2013. It shall submit interim reports on a quarterly basis.

**Section 7.** With the exception of City Councilor Joe Behm who is hereby appointed to this Task Force, all other Task Force members must reside in, work in, or own a business in the current downtown GURA district, although the Task Force may seek suggestions and ideas from other individuals as it sees fit.

**Section 8.** At the Downtown Development Task Force's first meeting, the City Manager and the GURA Board will ensure that the group is provided with a thorough briefing on the city's and GURA's revenue structure, expense structure, and key trends likely to impact both in the coming decades.

**Section 9.** The City Manager will provide appropriate staff support for this committee. The staffing will be sufficient to organize and facilitate the Downtown Development Task Force, to provide appropriate information to members, to respond to questions by members, to provide appropriate meeting notes and other documents after meetings, and to prepare draft versions and the final version, for the Task Force's approval, of its formal report to City Council.

**Section 10.** The Downtown Development Task Force will terminate no later than December 31, 2013.

Adopted the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2012.



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Marjorie N. Sloan  
Mayor

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Susan M. Brooks, MMC  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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David S. Williamson  
City Attorney

I, Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City of Golden, Colorado, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a certain Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Golden, Colorado at a rescheduled regular business meeting thereof held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, A.D. 2012.



ATTEST:

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Susan M. Brooks, City Clerk of the City of  
Golden, Colorado