

# RESOURCE AND ENGINEERING PLANNING COMMITTEE

## MINUTES

November 2, 2023

A meeting of the Resource and Engineering Planning Committee was held on Thursday, November 2, 2023, at 10:03 a.m. at the Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District (District) Office, 31717 United Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado and via Zoom virtual meeting.

Chairman Curtis Mitchell announced a quorum was present.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Curtis Mitchell – Chairman, Andy Colosimo, Pat Edelmann, Tom Goodwin and Jim Broderick (remote)

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED:

Seth Clayton Vice-Chair and Bill Long

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Alan Hamel, District Director; Chris Woodka, Leann Noga and Margie Medina District staff.

On Zoom: Garrett Markus, Peter Levish, Patty Rivas and Lee Miller District staff

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman Mitchell asked for approval of the September 7, 2023, Resource and Engineering Planning Committee minutes and if there were any corrections or additions. Pat Edelmann moved, seconded by Andy Colosimo, to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

### PRESENTATIONS:

JAMES W. BRODERICK HYDROPOWER PLANT UPDATE

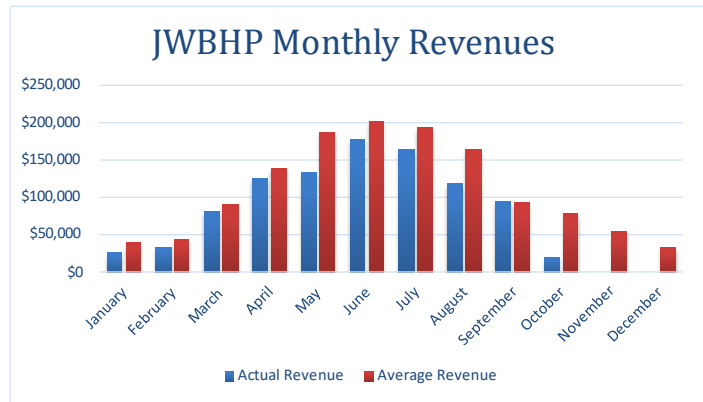
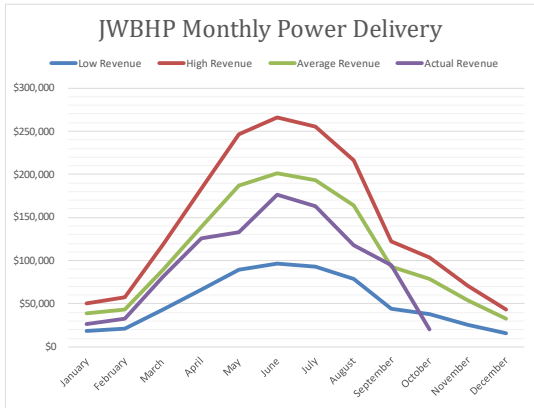
Garrett Markus updated the Committee on the James W. Broderick Hydropower Plant (JWBHP) starting with the current operations for the month of October 2023.

**Table 1 - JWBHP Operations Dashboard**

	THIS MONTH	LAST MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
Power Generation (MWhrs)	540	1,617	18,640
Scheduled Power (MWhrs)	384	1,800	18,475
Revenue	\$20,191	\$94,644	\$917,416
% Of Average Generation	26%	102%	79%

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## 2024 PROPOSED BUDGET

Garrett Markus provided a PowerPoint presentation of the 2024 proposed budget relative to the Resource and Engineering Planning Committee. The presentation covered programs and projects necessary to maintaining the District’s water portfolio and studies that support that cause. Such projects and programs are the James W Broderic Hydropower at Pueblo Reservoir, Recovery of Storage, Feature Condition Assessment, 10,825 Project, Regional Resource Planning Group (RRPG), Fry-Ark Project Water Rights Protection & Development, Research Project Support, Restoration of Yield (ROY), Reliable Future Water Supply, and Fountain Creek Transit Loss Program.

### ACTION ITEMS:

#### INCLUSION OF LAND ANNEXED BY COLORADO SPRINGS

Garrett Makus explained the District received an application for assent for the Colorado Centre Addition No. 3 for 32.932 acres to be annexed to the City of Colorado Springs.

Tom Goodwin moved, seconded by Pat Edelmann that the Resource and Engineering Planning Committee recommend the Board approve, by Resolution, the inclusion of the Colorado Centre Addition No. 3 annexed by Colorado Springs subject to the previously agreed to terms and conditions for inclusion. Motion passed unanimously.

#### PUEBLO URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY: NORTH ELIZABETH HOTEL RENEWAL AREA

Jim Broderick explained the activities of the Urban Renewal Plan include encouraging investment, alleviating blight, attracting new commercial and residential investments, improving streetscapes to promote pedestrian travel and safety, and investing in cultural/community spaces.

It is anticipated that the generally applicable real and commercial personal property taxes from this project could generate up to \$7,022,058 over the 25-year period assuming the objective of site remediation and building of a hotel. This project would reverse years of stagnant property tax revenue receipts within this area, and as shown in the impact Report, these new property revenues would not be realized in the future without this investment in the project area.

This Urban Renewal Plan has been proposed for consideration by the City Council of Pueblo pursuant to the provisions of the Act. The administration of the Project and the implementation of the plan shall

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be the responsibility of the Authority. The North Elizabeth Urban Renewal Area (“URA” or “Plan Area”) is within the City of Pueblo’s municipal limits.

Tom Goodwin recommended the Committee authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement with the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority to provide tax increment financing for an urban renewal project: North Elizabeth Hotel Urban Renewal Area, seconded by Andy Colosimo. Motion passed unanimously.

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

None

**OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**NEXT MEETING**

Scheduled for February 1, 2024.

**ADJOURN**

Chairman Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 11:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Garrett J. Markus, P.E.

Water Resources Principal Engineer