

MINUTES OF THE MAY 27, 2026

REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUEBLO CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Directors Present: Jim Pioreschi, Ron Serna, Dennis Maroney, Paul Willumstad, Corinne Koehler, Donna Phillips, Boney Cosyleon

Also Present: Lisha Coultrip, Attorney
Scott Hobson, Administrator
Mike Cuppy, Northstar Engineering
Tia Monson, Lake Runyon Watchperson
Donielle Kitzman, Vice President Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce
Cara Siegel – Director of Tourism Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce
Celeste – Artist

The regular meeting of the Pueblo Conservancy District was called to order by President Pioreschi at 10:00 am.

Minutes

Corrections from April 22, 2026 minutes. The Dinosaurs Mural artist was not noted. Tia Monson is the artist. There was a question as to who made motion to ratify payment of the bills last month. Willumstad moved to ratify payment of the bills. Koehler seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

A quorum being present, the minutes of the April 22, 2026 meeting were reviewed. It was moved by Koehler to approve minutes with corrections and seconded by Willumstad. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Forum

Celeste – Artist presented a proposal for a Zone Project for the public and youth to paint on the old Levee under the Santa Fe Bridge. She would like to do this to help deter all the tagging that is being done. She suggested that this could be funded from Grants, Business Sponsorships and Community Donations. Pioreschi said the biggest concern would be the safety issue of people getting injured. The Conservancy District said that this could not be done at this time.

Guest Speaker

Donielle Kitzman/Cara Siegel Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce

Donielle Kitzman Vice President of Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce made presentation about Visit Pueblo which is now a destination management organization with the City of Pueblo based on stewardship and longevity. Their focus is on destination tourism management. She said they are funded from the City's lodging tax. She handed out pamphlets with all their information and promotions. She said they received two grants this year. Cara Siegel Director of Tourism talked about the 1921 Flood Event and that they were able to give out 600 complimentary meals due to sponsorships from Pueblo Conservancy District, Pueblo Board of Water Works and PBS.

Executive Session

Prioreschi moved to go into Executive Session. Koehler seconded. Purpose of receiving legal advise to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e)(1). Non Board Members left the room. The Executive Session adjourned and the Board Meeting was brought back to order.

Arts Committee**Levee Mural Project**

The following proposals will be the last ones to be approved until some legal issues are sorted out. Mural Proposals will continue to be accepted.

Proposals

Tia Monson – "Lake Clara"

Shana Meyers – "The Flight of the Egret"

Shannon Palmer – "Fish in the Bathtub"

Heather Sullivan – "Pueblo Memorial Airport"

Shana Meyers – "Lotus of Koi"

Koehler moved to approve all as presented to include the second version of "Lake Clara". Phillips seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sculptures

None

Treasurers Report

A. Accountant's Compilation Reports

Cosyleon said he reviewed report and it was good.

B. Payment of Bills

Koehler purchased stickers with her personal credit card. PCD will reimburse the amount that was charged to Koehler. Checks have not been signed yet. Cosyleon has checks and will sign and get mailed out. If any Board Members want to pick their checks up they can go to Cosyleon's office after meeting. Phillips asked if payments could be made automatically. Cosyleon said that he was not in favor of that. Phillips moved to approve payment of bills. Prioreschi seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

C. Review of Expenses for Kidd Retirement Party & Revenues/Expenses for Meet & Greet with Muarl Artists

Cosyleon said the total from sponsorships from the Meet & Greet was \$8,323.34 for food libation. There was \$2,500 that was not spent.

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Old Business:

Camera Proposal Update

Prioreschi said the City is changing to a different model that is more than we need. Prioreschi is going to set up an appointment for final plan. Each camera with pole will be \$12,000.00. Prioreschi wants to sit down with architect to see what poles will go where. Koehler made motion to proceed with plan. Willumstad seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Levee Lighting Installation Update

Prioreschi said lighting is being put up now. They have to be completed by the end of June.

Moffat Parking/Trailhead & Tree Remediation

Prioreschi said they were working on it. This project is close to being completed.

Wildhorse Crossing Project Update

Concrete has been pulled off.

Administrative Assistant Approval

Prioreschi requested motion for Leslie to work from home. Koehler made motion. Serna seconded. All in favor. Motion carried

Status of RFP for Levee Crack Sealing and Repairs

Hobson has not started this project yet. Willumstad gave Hobson advanced notice to start working on the 2027 Budget. Scott has looked at the 2026 Budget. Board would like done by August.

New Business

District Engineer

Prioreschi talked to Don Banner about hiring an Administrator/Engineer. He said it is doable to hire an Administrator that is not an Engineer. PCD would have to amend plan to separate Administrator/Engineer. We would have to hire an engineer of record or contract someone to be an engineer of record. A RFQ will have to be done. This person will be under the direction of the PCD Board. Prioreschi will send out electronic copy of amended plan.

Pueblo Levee Walk – Contribution Request

Downtown Association Community Event is requesting a donation from PCD. Koehler made motion to approve \$1,200 Gold Sponsorship. Serna seconded. All in Favor. Motion carried.

Meeting On Emergency Notification Protocols

Hobson talked to Joshua Jackson with the Emergency Management Office to schedule the EOC building for June 16th or 17th. Scott will finalize June 16th with time to be determined and will put notice together. A list will be put together as to who will be invited. Prioreschi said Kathi Garcia requested she be invited. Prioreschi made motion to proceed. Cosyleon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Storm Water Master Plan – State Fair/Bessemer

Noah from City Stormwater gave a presentation to City Council about the final design and construction. Prioreschi sent a letter to partner with them. They are working on Hinkle Park. Hobson said the **right-of way away** of Penn Avenue extends from Hinkle Park to the Conservancy District **property** that leads to the river which **could** be an access to the Levee trail. Once designs are done PCD could partner with them while they are building the drainage project. **They** could **incorporate a** trail in final product. This would cut costs.

President's Report

Prioreschi will be out of town all weekends in June and half of them in July and will not be available.

Administrator's Report

Hobson will be out of town June 10 -12, 2026.

Other Business As May Be Brought Before the Board

Cosyleon said June 6, 2026 is Safety Jam. Cosyleon said SCARF is on June 27, 2026. Susan Finzel talked to Prioreschi about checks getting mixed up.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

2026 SCHEDULED MEETING DATES

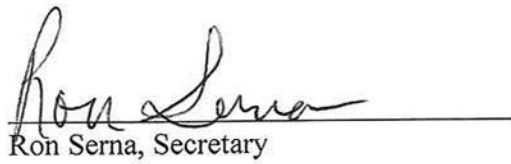
JULY 22, 2026 AUGUST 28, 2026 SEPTEMBER 23, 2026

OCTOBER 28, 2026 NOVEMBER 18, 2026 DECEMBER 16, 2026

(Meetings will be at 10:00 am unless posted otherwise).

APPROVED


James B Prioreschi, President


Ron Serna, Secretary

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