



Northwest Colorado Council of Governments
NWCCOG EDD Meeting
Meeting Minutes: December 5, 2024

Present:

Jacob Zook, City of Glenwood Springs
Patti Clapper, Pitkin County
Carolyn Tucker, CDLE
Corry Mihm, Summit County Chamber of Commerce
John Bristol, RCEDP
Kris Mattera, Basalt Chamber of Commerce
Dan Sullivan, Town of Keystone
Thayer Hirsch, Summit Economic Partnership
Alan Walker, Grand Lake Creative District
DiAnn Butler, Grand County Economic Development
Kim Keith, Steamboat Creates
Tamara Nuzzuci Park, Breck Creates
Josh Blanchard, OEDIT/CCI
Jonnah Glassman, Town of Silverthorne

NWCCOG Staff

Jon Stavney, NWCCOG
Anita Cameron, Northwest Loan Fund
Moirra Vander-Meer, NWCCOG
Rachel Tuyn, NWCCOG
Dana Wood, NWCCOG

Call to Order

DiAnn Butler, EDD Chair, called the Northwest Colorado Council of Governments Economic Development District (NWCCOG EDD) meeting to order at 12:30 pm. Roundtable introductions were completed, and a quorum was present for the group.

Approval of Minutes

M/S/P Patti Clapper, Jonnah Glassman to approve the minutes from September 5, 2024 NWCCOG Economic Development District Board of Directors' meeting.

Presentation: Creative Districts in the Region

Four presenters gave presentations on creative districts in the region and their economic impact. Presentations are available on NWCCOG EDD website here:

<https://www.nwccog.org/programs/nwccog-economic-development-district/resources/>.

- Josh Blanchard: Colorado Creative Industries – presentation
- Kim Keith: Executive Director, Steamboat Creates – presentation

- Tamara Nuzzaci Park: President & CEO, Breck Creates - presentation
- DiAnn Butler: Grand County Economic Development Director, & Alan Walker, Grand Lake Creative District – presentation

CO|Align – NWCCOG EDD to be signatory to MOU

CO|Align is a statewide effort that seeks to unify local, regional, and state economic strategies, ensuring that each region’s priorities are recognized, funded, and supported within a statewide framework. NWCCOG EDD has been a member of the team working on this initiative for the last 20 months. One deliverable from this effort is a memorandum of understanding (MOU) in which economic development partners across the state are invited to sign. The NWCCOG EDD Board was asked if they would like to be a signatory to this MOU at the December 5, 2024 EDD board meeting to show our commitment to this initiative, which represents a transformative approach to economic development across Colorado. By signing the CO|Align MOU, we are helping to elevate our region’s unique needs and perspectives to the state level, ensuring they are included in Colorado’s first statewide Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). M/S/P Corry Mihm, Patti Clapper, to authorize EDD Director to sign the CO|Align MOU on behalf of the NWCCOG EDD.

2025 NWCCOG EDD Board Meeting and Presentation Schedule

We will have a presentation of interest at each meeting. Brainstormed list of topics can be found here. If you have an idea for a presentation from your community, please send to rtuyn@nwccog.

Board meeting schedule for 2025:

- January 23
- March 20
- May 22
- July 24
- September 18
- October 23
- December 4

Ideas for off-site field trips were also discussed. Ideas mentioned included Basalt Vista: workforce housing, new childcare center; Breckenridge – Stables workforce housing project; new Montessori school; Steamboat Springs– new town hall and justice center; Silt – net zero tiny home community.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

M/S/P Patti Clapper, Thayer Hirsh adjourned the NWCCOG Economic Development District Board of Directors’ meeting at 2:00 p.m.