

## Director's Report

May 22, 2023

## Grant Updates

- A second Just Transition grant was applied for in the amount of \$131,538
  - It was approved on March 13, 2023 with the grant Award signed on May 11, 2023
  - It will provide funds to purchase an access lot for a potential Workforce Housing project and provide funds for additional match money for future larger grants to complete the infrastructure on the Industrial Park expansion
- A grant through Colorado Housing and Finance Authority (CHAFA) was applied for a Workforce Housing project in the amount of \$20,000
  - It was approved on March 7, 2023
  - It will provide funds for a consultant to assist with site feasibility, project visioning, project design, master planning and financial modeling
- An Action Grant through Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT) partnering with Colorado Economic Development Council was applied for with a requested amount of \$40,000
  - If approved, it will provide funds to assist with pre-development costs (engineering, soil samples, Phase 1 Environmental report, etc.) for a Workforce Housing project
  - This grant was not approved. Other funding will be sought
- <u>"The Positive Employee" Program</u>
  - The third Employer Overview was held on April 26 with eight attendees
  - Our third session (Summer classes) will begin on June 7
- Industrial Park Expansion
  - Approximately 80% of the engineering is complete
  - The Phase 1 Environmental report has been completed

- A Traffic Study has been completed with pre-liminary approval by City of Delta, Delta County and Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT)
  - Next step is applying for Change of Use Permit to CDOT
  - It will require some revisions to Industrial Blvd
- The two Boundary Adjustments have been approved by City of Delta. Deeds and plats are awaiting signatures
- We have interest in a possible pre-sale of one of the lots

## Workforce Housing Project

- We are studying a possible model for the development of Workforce Housing
- $\circ~$  The access lot was purchased by Uncompanyre Development CO on May 10 for \$75,000
- An initial planning meeting with CHFA will be held on May 23 to begin discussion of site feasibility, project visioning, project design and master plan and financial modeling