Craig Economic Development Manager Reporting – Oct. 2021 – Dec. 2021

Yampa Valley Adventure Center

10-13-21: The CURA approved the Yampa Valley Adventure Center project in the amount of \$7,674,235

12-1-21: Final TIF agreement was signed and executed.

Golden Cavvy

December: Working to set up a walk-through with the Brownfields Assessment Consultants to establish what/if there are any environmental contaminants that can be remediated with the grant monies.

Spicy Basil

12-9-21: Set up a walk-through with the Brownfields Assessment Consultants to establish what/if there are any environmental contaminants that can be remediated with the grant monies.

Project Module

No new updates.

Housing Assessment Study

11-2-21: Williford, LLC conducted the review of the preliminary results of the Assessment with the Housing Steering Committee.

11-9-21: Williford, LLC presented the preliminary report of the Assessment to the City Council.

The Action Plan kick-off meeting will be held in January of 2022 and the final Action Plan report should be completed/presented by February or March of 2022.

Small Business Grant Program

Ten awardees were granted \$84,041.15 for both economic development and site improvement activities. The total, overall investment from these projects was \$1,206,115.21.

Shop Local Program

October: Visited and hand delivered posters and table tents to 20+ businesses around town to promote the program for the month of November. The City and Chamber of Commerce also promoted the program along with social media, newspaper, and website advertising.

11-29-21: The \$15,000 awarded to the program was exhausted by this date.

Brownfields Assessment Grant

11-23-21: Brownfield CORE team meeting was conducted with consultant Ayres.

11-29-21: Brownfield Steering Committee was selected, and an email sent out for the Steering Committee kick-off meeting.

12-9-21: Brownfield in-person site visits conducted

12-10-21: Brownfield Steering Committee kick-off meeting conducted.

Energize Colorado

11-8-21: Submitted an RFP for the Energize Colorado pilot program for a rural sustainable housing initiative. The program is focused on bringing scalable, replicable developments to rural markets that blend high-performance, healthy homes with community gathering areas, co-working spaces, and other desirable amenities. The homes in these communities will utilize cutting-edge products, systems, and technologies to meet today's environmental realities and homebuyer needs. Price points will include entry level, move-up and semi-custom. There will also be a blend of for-rent and for-sale units.

Business Industry Leadership Team (BILT):

November: Was asked to serve as an advisory member for the BILT at CNCC to help establish and grow new business programs at the College. Will continue to attend monthly meetings

CDS Grant

Grants should be awarded by end of year 2021

Additional Notes

10-1-21: Attended the lady's leadership gathering.

10-19-21: Attended the Moffat County Tourism Workshop at the Craig Chamber of Commerce.

10-19-21: Attended the K-12 Education meeting conducted by CNCC.

10-20-21: Attended the Chancellor's Summit on Adult Education at CNCC to discuss how to better serve adult learners by offering them more support for job opportunities post Covid and the closure of our power plant and mines.

October – December: Have been attending monthly meetings with the Craig Skatepark Alliance to discuss construction of a new skatepark.

October – December: Continue to attend monthly AGNC, NWCDC, and Build Back Better meetings.

November – December: Attended an 8-part, 4-week, Energy Transition Academy hosted by the Center for New Energy Economy.

November: Served on the NWCDC selection committee for the Regional Economic Development Project Management Consultant.

11-10-21: Attended the monthly Parks and Rec. Board meeting to discuss preliminary plans/ideas for the 2022 Whittle the Wood.

11-12-21: Attended the Steamboat Springs Economic Summit at Colorado Mountain College.

11-19-21: Attended the ribbon cutting at the Hayden Regional Airport to celebrate the 13 solar projects across the NW region.