

BYLAWS OF THE  
MOFFAT COUNTY LOCAL MARKETING DISTRICT

**ARTICLE 1**

**General Provisions**

Section 1

NAME: This organization is formed in the State of Colorado under the Local Marketing District Act, specifically Part 1 of Article 25, Title 29, Colorado Revised Statutes (hereinafter "C.R.S.") ("the Act") and is known as the Moffat County Local Marketing District ("the LMD" or "MCLMD").

Section 2

PURPOSE: The purposes of the MCLMD are as follows:

**Vision:** The MCLMD funding will help promote Moffat County as a premier recreation – tourism destination as well as a desirable business friendly location for those that enjoy a varied outdoor lifestyle with a western atmosphere.

**Mission:** The MCLMD will support, enhance, encourage and develop programs that lead to economic diversification by increasing business retention, development and recruitment in Moffat County that will in turn increase tourism, including funding for special events.

DEFINITIONS: When used in these Bylaws, the following words, terms and phrases shall have the following meaning:

- a. The term "District" or "Local Marketing District" or "LMD" shall mean the MOFFAT COUNTY LOCAL MARKETING DISTRICT, a local marketing district formed under the provisions of C.R.S. Section 29-25-101 *et seq.* The District is an entity of its own but is governed by the Three Entities whose elected officials are all members of the "Ex Officio Board" when convened as described in Article II, Section 8.
- b. The phrase "the Three Entities" shall mean the Moffat County Board of County Commissioners, the City of Craig City Council and the Town of Dinosaur Town Council. Each of those shall be known in the singular as an "Entity".
- c. "Board Member" means an individual appointed to the Board of the LMD.

- d. Colorado Open Meetings Law as defined in C.R.S. 24-6-401.

### Section 3

**BUSINESS OFFICE:** The principal office of the District shall be designated from time to time by the Board, but initially the office shall be the office of the Moffat County Commissioners.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **Board of Directors**

#### Section 1

**COMPOSITION:** The Board of Directors shall consist of seven (7) Members appointed by Three Entities. Moffat County Board of County Commissioners shall appoint three (3) Members. The City Council for the City of Craig shall appoint three (3) Members. The Town Council for the Town of Dinosaur shall appoint one (1) Member.

#### Section 2

**QUALIFICATIONS FOR BOARD APPOINTMENT:** A person shall be considered for appointment to the Board if they have the following qualifications:

- a. Be a resident of or property owner in Moffat County, Colorado;
- b. View the County as one interdependent and interconnected economic system; and
- c. Each Entity can choose other criteria as that Entity deems if important.

#### Section 3

**TERM:** Except as provided in Section 4 of this Article II pertaining to the initial staggering terms, each Board Member shall serve a term of three (3) years. Any Board Member is eligible for re-appointment at the discretion of the Board who appointed the Board Member. Otherwise, there shall be no maximum number of terms that a Board Member may serve.

#### Section 4

**FIRST BOARD:** The first Board shall be appointed by the Three Entities with staggering terms, as outlined below, and shall meet the qualification requirements of Section 2 above. The appointments of Board Members shall be as follows:

- a. The City of Craig shall appoint one Member to serve a three (3) year term, one Member to serve a two (2) year term, and one Member to serve a one (1) year term.

- b. The Town of Dinosaur shall appoint one Member to serve a three (3) year term.
- c. Moffat County shall appoint one Member to serve a three (3) year term, one Member to serve a two (2) year term, and one Member to serve a one (1) year term.

## Section 5

VACANCY: When there is a vacancy on the Board, the Entity whose position is vacant shall make an appointment to fill the vacancy for the remaining term of that vacant position within 90 days.

## Section 6

RESIGNATION: A resignation by a Board Member shall occur after the Board Member gives notice of resignation to the Board President and the Entity that appointed the Board Member. It is requested that a resigning Board Member give two weeks notice. A vacancy created by such a resignation shall be filled in accordance with Section 5.

## Section 7

REMOVAL OF BOARD MEMBER: Any Member may be removed from the Board in accordance with the provisions of C.R.S. Section 29-25-108(1)(e) for “inefficiency”, neglect of duty” or “misconduct in office”. Each Entity in its sole discretion may make the determination of whether a Board Member appointed by the Entity is subject to removal under any of these criteria. Missing 3 consecutive Board Meetings without good cause shall be considered neglect of duty.

## Section 8

EX OFFICIO BOARD OF DIRECTORS. Until the first Board of Directors is appointed and at any time during the duration of the District, the Three Entities shall act by virtue of the Ex Officio Board of Directors which shall consist of all the elected board members of the Three Entities. The Three Entities may convene the Ex Officio Board at any time that is deemed necessary for the continued governance of the District.

## **ARTICLE III**

### **Duties of the Board**

#### Section 1

**GENERAL STATEMENT:** The activities and affairs of the Moffat County Local Marketing District shall be managed and carried out by and under the direction of the Board. The Members shall have the specific powers and duties as set forth in these Bylaws and in the Act, subject to the delegation of authority by the Three Entities who have ultimate powers and authority.

#### Section 2

**ADOPTION OF BUDGET AND OPERATING PLAN:** The Board shall annually adopt a budget and Operating Plan for each calendar year prior to September 30. A copy shall be sent by the Secretary of the District to each of the Three Entities no later than September 30 of each year. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 29-25-110, each of the Three Entities shall approve or disapprove of the Operating Plan within thirty days after receipt of such operating plan and all requested documentation relating thereto, but not later than December 5 of the year in which such documents are filed. The Three Entities may require the District to supplement the District's Operating Plan or budget where necessary.

#### Section 3

**REPORTING:** The Board shall provide a written report on a quarterly basis to the Three Entities. The Board shall issue an Annual Report no later than February 28 of the following year.

#### Section 4

**REGULAR MEETINGS:** The Board shall meet once each month and shall determine the specific dates and times of meetings. The meetings will be held within Moffat County, including in the Town of Dinosaur on occasion, at a place to be determined by the Board. The Board will comply with the Colorado Open Meetings Law in the conduct of its meetings. The Board President may reschedule a regular meeting at least 24 hours before the regular meeting.

#### Section 5

**SPECIAL MEETINGS:** The Officers or any two (2) Board Members may call a special meeting by giving at least 72-hours advance notice to each Member and by posting such meeting pursuant to the Colorado Open Meetings Law.

## Section 6

**QUORUM AND VOTING:** A quorum shall exist when at least four (4) members are present at any regular or special meeting. Action shall occur by the vote of a simple majority of those Members present at each meeting. In the event that a quorum of the Board is not present at any meeting, the meeting shall be adjourned until such time as quorum may be present. The next meeting will be the next scheduled regular meeting unless a special meeting is called for and notice of such meeting is given to all Board Members. Board Members may appear at and participate in meetings by conference call or by video-conference provided all Board Members may hear each other and communicate. The President shall vote on all matters before the Board. There shall be no voting of Members by proxy or assignment.

## Section 7

**FINANCIAL POLICIES:** The Board shall adopt and follow acceptable financial practices, which provide transparency and accountability for the financial affairs of the District. Moffat County shall be the fiscal agent for the District and shall provide financial account services to the Board. The Board is entitled to apply for and receive grant money as well as donations, which are acceptable forms of revenue in addition to the revenues generated by the tax levy.

## Section 8

**COMPENSATION:** Board Members may receive reimbursement of reasonable mileage and travel expenses.

## Section 9

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** Any Board Member, Officer or Employee who may be associated with other entities which have interests adverse to the interests of the District, shall not disclose or use confidential information received as a Member in a manner contrary to the District's interests without approval of the Board. A Board Member shall disclose any potential conflicts of interest to the Board and recuse himself or herself from any discussions, actions or votes regarding the conflicting matters. Each year all Board Members, Officers and Employees will sign a written statement disclosing any conflicts and agreeing to adhere to the conflicts of interest policy of the District.

## ARTICLE IV

### Officers

#### Section 1

OFFICERS: The Officers of the District shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer as well as any other appointments that the Board deems appropriate.

#### Section 2

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: At the first meeting after each annual appointment of Members, the Board shall elect the Officers. Each Officer so chosen shall hold office for one year or until their successor is appointed. Officers cease to act in such capacity if they are removed from the Board or otherwise cease to act, or if they resign as an Officer or from the Board.

#### Section 3

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS: The duties of the Officers shall be as follows:

- a. President: The President shall be the principle executive officer of the Board and shall
  1. Be the principle Officer of the Board and shall approve agendas and chair meetings of the Board of the District;
  2. Sign all notes, contracts or other legal instruments which the Board has approved or otherwise authorized to be executed, including anything of a ministerial nature which is required by statute or these Bylaws;
  3. Be a signatory to sign all checks or other orders for payment to of the District unless otherwise provided for in the Financial Policy of the Board; and
  4. Perform all duties incidental to the office of President and such other duties as my be prescribed by the Board from time to time.
- b. Vice President: The Vice President shall assist the President and the Board and shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the President or the Board. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the President.
- c. Secretary: The Secretary may be a Board Member or may be a nonmember of the Board appointed by the Board to act in such capacity. The Secretary shall:
  1. Keep or cause to be kept the recording and preparation of minutes of all meetings of the Board and that such minutes are made available for to the public;

2. See that all notices of meetings and other notices are duly given in accordance with the Act, these Bylaws and the Colorado Open Meetings Law; and
  3. In general perform all duties incidental to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the President or the Board
- d. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall provide the following duties in his or her role as Treasurer:
1. coordinate with the fiscal agent to keep full and accurate account of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the District;
  2. request disbursements of funds from the fiscal agent for the District as ordered by the Board of Directors after taking proper vouchers for such disbursements.

#### Section 4

**LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.** To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Directors, Officers and employees shall not be liable for any of the Board's obligations or for any act or failure to act by the Board. Nothing in these Bylaws shall constitute a waiver of any and all rights and protections from liability of governmental entities under the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, C.R.S. § 24-10-101 *et seq.*, or from sovereign immunity in general.

The Board shall purchase and maintain insurance of a sufficient level on behalf of its Directors, Officers and employees against any liability asserted against or incurred by such Directors, Officers and employees.

#### Section 5

**INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.** The District shall defend, hold harmless and indemnify any Director, officer, agent or employee, against any tort or liability, claim or demand, without limitations, arising out of any alleged act, error or omission occurring during the performance of official duty, as more fully defined by law. The provisions of this Section shall be supplemental and subject to and to the extent of any inconsistency therewith, shall be modified by the provisions of the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, 24-10-101, *et seq.* C.R.S. Such indemnity shall extend to and include the payment by the District of all costs, expenses (including attorney fees), damages, and penalties incurred by any Director, officer, agent, or employee against whom any such claim or demand has been made, EXCEPT that the District shall not indemnify any Director, officer, agent or employee with respect to any act or omission which is a crime or with respect to any willful and wanton act.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **General Powers**

Pursuant to C.R.S. 29-25-111. General Powers of the District

- (1) The district has the following powers, except as limited by the operating plan:
- (a) To have perpetual existence;
  - (b) To have and use a corporate seal;
  - (c) To sue and be sued and be a party to suits, actions, and proceedings;
  - (d) To enter into contracts and agreements, except as otherwise provided in this article, affecting the affairs of the district, including contracts with the United States and any of its agencies or instrumentalities;
  - (e) (I) To provide any of the following services within the district:
    - (A) Organization, promotion, marketing, and management of public events;
    - (B) Activities in support of business recruitment, management, and development;
    - (C) Coordinating tourism promotion activities.
  - (II) No revenue collected from the marketing and promotion tax levied under section 29-25-112 may be used for any capital expenditures, with the exception of tourist information centers.
  - (f) To have the management, control, and supervision of all the business and affairs of the district and of the operation of district services therein;
  - (g) To appoint an advisory board of owners of property within the boundaries of the district and provide for the duties and functions thereof;
  - (h) To hire employees or retain agents, engineers, consultants, attorneys, and accountants;
  - (i) To adopt and amend bylaws not in conflict with the constitution and laws of the state or with the ordinances of the local government affected for carrying on the business, objectives, and affairs of the board and of the district; and



- (j) To exercise all rights and powers necessary or incidental to or implied from the specific powers granted in this article. Such specific powers shall not be considered as a limitation upon any power necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes and intent of this article.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **Amendments, Maintenance and Dissolution**

#### **Section 1**

**AMENDMENTS:** These Bylaws are adopted by the Three Entities acting as the initial board of the District. After the new Board has been appointed and is operating as the Board for the District, the Bylaws may be amended by a supermajority of the Board which is described as at least five of the seven board members. Any changes to the Bylaws must be ratified by each of the Three Entities prior to becoming effective.

#### **Section 2**

**MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS:** Every Member of the Board and the Three Entities shall have all the rights of inspection of the records of the District.

#### **Section 3**

**SUNSET PROVISION:** The authority of the District to collect tax revenues shall end on December 31, 2025, by virtue of a sunset provision in the ballot measure approved by the registered electors on November 3, 2015. If the authority is extended through a subsequent ballot measure, then the District will continue beyond that date. Upon ceasing to have revenues that Three Entities will direct the Board to wind down the District and upon completion of the mission and activities of the Board, the District will be dissolved.

#### **Section 4**

**DISSOLUTION:** Upon the dissolution of the LMD, all records, assets and property of the LMD will be placed in the custody of the fiscal agent on behalf of the Three Entities.

**Unanimously Adopted** at the February 8<sup>th</sup> Regular meeting of the Moffat County Local Marketing District 2024 by all five members present.

**ADOPTED: Moffat County Local Marketing District**

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval ratified by each member of the Ex-Officio Board of Directors on the following dates:

**APPROVED: Board of County Commissioners Moffat County**

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED: City Council City of Craig**

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED: Board of Trustees of the Town of Dinosaur**

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_