



## MEMO

To: City Council

Date: August 27, 2015

From: Tex Bradford

Re: City of Gunnison Ridges to Rivers Trails Project 2015/2016

As Council is aware, the City was awarded a GOCO grant for an amount not to exceed \$407,200 to assist with extensions of the City Trails system due to the efforts of our Community Development Department. The City match is for the amount of \$185,598.48 along with Partner Funding for approximately \$15,000. The total budget for the projects is \$607,898.48.

Two prefabricated restrooms have been ordered with plans to be installed this coming October. One is to be located at the VanTuyl Ranch trail entrance located off of the county road entrance to the ranch. The second is to be located at the south end of a new trail extension near the county road entrance to the I-Bar. The installed cost for the two restrooms is just under \$80,000.

Staff is in the process of finalizing agreements for the trails locations with other entities such as the CDPW, Gunnison Rising, and the Western State Colorado University Foundation.

Advertisements for bids to construct the Hwy. 50 crossing using an existing box culvert under Hwy. 50 and trail extensions North and South from the culvert have been advertised per the City Purchasing Policy. Bids are to be opened on Wednesday September 2<sup>nd</sup> for this portion of the projects.

At the next regularly scheduled Council meeting on September 8, 2015, bid results with a recommendation to award the bid will be presented to Council for consideration and action.

The proposed trail extension near the VanTuyl Ranch utilizing the CDPW property to the Gunnison River is being developed and staff will report back to Council with the cost and schedule for construction. I hoped to be able to construct this section this fall although it could be 2016 depending upon the timing of approval from the CDPW and fall weather conditions.