

RTD DUS Historic Building Task Force

**DUSPA Board Meeting
September 2, 2010**

Background

RTD DUS Historic Building Task Force

Meeting since March to develop information for RTD Board decision on long-term interest in DUS future uses and management

Union Station Neighborhood Development Company (USNC)

Contracted with Denver Union Station Project Authority (DUSPA) to develop an assessment of building infrastructure requirements, potential future uses, and capital/operating cost estimates

DUS Historic Structures Assessment (Historic Denver)

Analysis of critical deficiencies and solutions required to rehabilitate, restore or preserve the historical features of the building

Background - Issues

Study timing

Important to keep pace with existing DUS construction and to prepare for infrastructure investments needed to support use or current condition

Public investment required

Developing a common understanding of building and investment required for redevelopment is important in weighing viability of future uses

Amtrak facility requirements

Requirement under any scenario to have space for Amtrak to move back into the building

Open process

Stakeholder /public involvement important because of interest and historic importance of the building



Process

Develop goals/objectives for process

Overall goals/objectives to use for framing ultimate Board decision

Steps to develop recommendation for Board

1. Develop understanding of building through use of USNC 's Technical Assessment and Historic Structures Assessment
2. Evaluate types of uses that would be viable for the building
3. Look at options for dealing with capital and ongoing operating costs and evaluate ownership/governance options for the building



Process

Solicit public/stakeholder input

Conduct series of meetings to introduce analysis, solicit input, shape alternatives, display preliminary findings for comment

Third party review

Independent consultant/expert panel to provide feedback to the Board on USNC's analysis and recommendations from process

Provide staff recommendation with feedback and input from process for a RTD Board decision

Next Steps

Aug 24

RTD Board; process overview/kick-off

Sept 2

DUSPA Board: process overview,
goals/objectives

Late Sept/early Oct

Initial public meeting

Oct. 5

FasTracks Monitoring Committee update

Oct/Nov

Stakeholder meetings: ID potential uses,
viability

Dec. 7

FasTracks Monitoring Committee update

December

Stakeholder meetings: review potential
uses, governance, costs

Jan. 4

FasTracks Monitoring Committee update

January

Final public meeting

Feb. 1

Findings/staff recommendation to Board

Feb. 15

Board action