1) Welcome and Introductions provided by Mayor Bach.

Mayor Bach is stepping down as chairman of the RTA Advisory board. He would like another chairman who is involved with the community to be his replacement. Public meetings have been held at various points in the city every month, except for July and November. Public meetings will be held via a radio show forum in December.

2) Community Engagement Update provided by Laura Neumann.

3) Rules of Procedure for the Colorado Springs Regional Tourism Act Advisory Board provided by Wynetta Massey. The scope of the work has changed substantially from the draft presented. Will work on a new draft and send it out to the board for their review. A meeting will be scheduled to discuss in January, 2015. Becky Medved asked if a neutral and objective member can publically promote the projects or speak in front of City Council. Ms. Massey mentioned the purpose of the board is to fulfill the resolution of the projects. Ms. Massey also mentioned that it is appropriate, in her opinion, to elect one or two members to represent the board and C4C public hearings, meetings, etc. Keith King agreed that it was acceptable to promote C4C representing one’s self, but also stated that it is not acceptable to represent the RTA Advisory Board unless appointed to do so.

4) Project Element Updates

Dick Celeste provided a U.S. Olympic Museum project overview. Conceptual presentations will be done and ready for review by the end of January. Looking to have the project finished by December, 2017. Every month the project is delayed adds approximately $100K to the construction costs. They have assimilated a team of local designers as well as a team of Olympians and Paralympians to provide their insight and feedback into how they envision the design of the museum.
Pam Shockley-Zalabak provided a UCCA Sports Medicine and Performance Center overview. The development of North Nevada is necessary to starting the first project. The Center for Excellence will serve as a multi-purpose facility for the community. She stated they will have the design implementation by late spring, 2015.

Carlos Cruz-Gonzales provided a U.S. Air Force Academy Gateway Visitor Center update. Three weeks ago they received a thumbs-up from the Secretary of the Air Force on the project. They will be releasing the RFP by February of next year. The Air Force wants to open the design concept for others to participate.

5) Future Meeting Dates, Times, Frequency

It was agreed that meetings of the entire RTA Advisory Board need to be held at least twice a year, but can be held more often when need for discussion arises. Chancellor Shockley-Zalabak says it would be helpful to discuss and agree upon the rules and procedures only for the next meeting. Dick Celeste suggested that the group meet after the first of the year.