Statement of Intent to Circulate a Petition to Amend The Home Rule Charter of Telluride

COMES NOW the undersigned registered electors of the Town of Telluride who being first duly sworn state that they will constitute the Petitioner's Committee for the purpose of circulating a petition for the amendment of the Telluride Town Charter and shall be responsible for the filing of said petition in the proper form and stating that their names and addresses are as follows:

1. Eleni M. Constantine  113 E. Columbia, P.O. Box 3575, Telluride, CO 81435
2. Julia Agata Prejs  1001 E. Colorado Unit D, P.O. Box 965, Telluride, CO 81435
3. Brent T. Englund  236 N. Fir, P.O. Box 1282, Telluride, CO 81435
4. Jeffrey R. Haldeman  373 E Colorado #3, P.O. Box 1915, Telluride, CO 81435
5. Linda J. Miller  513 W. Columbia, P.O. Box 883, Telluride, CO 81435

All notices regarding this petition should be sent to the following address:

P.O. Box 3575, Telluride, CO 81435

Shall the Town of Telluride, Colorado adopt the following Amendment to its Home Rule Charter?

Preserve Telluride as a Community by Dedicating Land for Employee Housing

Whereas: The Town of Telluride is the owner of multiple vacant and undeveloped parcels of land located within its current Town limits;

Whereas: Such real property represents an irreplaceable public asset;

Whereas: Telluride is currently facing a critical affordable housing crisis, which is threatening the social and economic fabric of our community;

Whereas: Per the Town of Telluride Master Plan: “The importance of creating and maintaining housing in proximity to jobs is recognized, both in support of the quality of life of workers as well as reducing overall transportation demands from long commutes” and that “the community is strengthened by residents who are able to work and live in town and participate in all aspects of civic life.” Further, the Master plan explicitly calls for the construction of 70 to 90 units between 2016-2020.
Whereas: A goal of the Town of Telluride Master Plan is to: “Ensure the provision of affordable housing within the town which serves both year-round and seasonal employees. Without a stable resident population, the sense of community will be compromised.”

Whereas: Recent forums and the Town government have been discussing the concept of dedicating land or “land-banking” for employee/affordable housing;

Whereas: The Town has limited or no provision for senior housing as the workforce ages;

Whereas: It is imperative that the citizens of the Town of Telluride act to permanently preserve ownership of its real property for public purposes;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE QUALIFIED ELECTORATE OF THE TOWN OF TELLURIDE:

ARTICLE XIV (MISCELLANEOUS LEGAL PROVISIONS) OF THE TELLURIDE HOME RULE CHARTER IS HEREBY AMENDED BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 14.9 AS FOLLOWS:

Section 14.9. Town Owned Property.

14.91 The inventory of parcels of land located in Telluride, Colorado, and described in Exhibit “A” hereto shall be dedicated and utilized exclusively to create a variety of employee/affordable/senior residential housing in place for full time residents of Telluride R-1 School District and shall be newly zoned accordingly.

14.92 The Town of Telluride, its Town Council and Mayor, or any of its boards or committees, special districts, the Telluride Housing Authority (THA) or any other entities created pursuant to statute or otherwise, or any person or entity purporting to act on behalf of the Town, its council and mayor, shall not sell, convey, bargain, transfer, trade, or exchange the fee title interest of all real property described in Exhibit “A” hereto which it currently owns within the Town limits of the Town of Telluride; except to the Telluride Housing Authority or a wholly-owned and/or controlled entity of the Town to further the purpose of affordable housing in place; and this restriction includes any private development proposal presented to the Town, its council and mayor or any of the Town’s boards, commissions or committees.

14.93 Upon approval by the voters of this Charter Amendment, a copy thereof including Exhibit “A” shall be properly executed by the Mayor of the Town of Telluride, notarized and recorded in the San Miguel County, Colorado Clerk and Recorder’s Office. The benefits and restrictions of this Charter Amendment shall burden the title to this real property and run with the land.
Exhibit “A”: San Miguel County Tax ID# & Legal descriptions of vacant land owned by the Town of Telluride dedicated to employee/affordable/senior housing

R1010032582 - ALL BLK 7 EAST TELLURIDE
R1010032583 - ALL BLK 8 EAST TELLURIDE
R1010130001 - LOT A1 BLOCK 10 EAST TELLURIDE ACC TO PLAT BK 1 PG 4588-4589 REC 06 17 2013 .06453 AC MOL
R1010130002 - LOT A2 BLOCK 10 EAST TELLURIDE ACC TO PLAT BK 1 PG 4588-4589 REC 06 17 2013 .06453 AC MOL
R1010130003 - LOT A3 BLOCK 10 EAST TELLURIDE ACC TO PLAT BK 1 PG 4588-4589 REC 06 17 2013 .06439 AC MOL
R1010130004 - OPEN SPACE BLOCK 10 EAST TELLURIDE ACC TO PLAT BK 1 PG 4588-4589 REC 06 17 2013 .04426 AC MOL
R1010094579 - LOTS 1 THRU 5 BLK 21 EAST TELLURIDE
R1010094007 - LOT 7A BLK 21 EAST TELLURIDE ACC TO THE REPLAT OF LOTS 6 7 8 9 AND 10 BLK 21 REC 12 28 93 PLAT BK 1 PG 1618
R1010094008 - LOT 8A BLK 21 EAST TELLURIDE ACC TO THE REPLAT OF LOTS 6 7 8 9 AND 10 BLK 21 REC 12 28 93 PLAT BK 1 PG 1618

This charter amendment shall be submitted to the electorate at a special election tentatively on February 14th, 2017, per the Colorado Constitution and/or Colorado Revised Statutes.

We, the undersigned, being of lawful age and first duly sworn, state that we constitute the petitioner’s committee for the foregoing Charter Amendment, that we will be responsible for circulating the petition and filing it in proper form.

STATE OF COLORADO )
COUNTY OF SAN MIGUEL ) ss

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of December, 2016.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL.

My commission expires: 10·27·2018

(seal)
STATE OF COLORADO ) ) ss
COUNTY OF SAN MIGUEL )
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of December, 2016.
WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL.
My commission expires: 9-10-2019

[Signature]
Notary Public

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STATE OF COLORADO ) ) ss
COUNTY OF SAN MIGUEL )
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of December, 2016.
WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL.
My commission expires: 10-27-2018

[Signature]
Notary Public

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STATE OF COLORADO ) ) ss
COUNTY OF SAN MIGUEL )
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of December, 2016.
WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL.
My commission expires: 10-27-2018

[Signature]
Notary Public
STATE OF COLORADO  
COUNTY OF SAN MIGUEL 

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of December, 2016. 
WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL. 
My commission expires: 10-27-18 

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End of letter of intent 
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