

**DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
November 22, 2016**

Members Present

Rene Horvath
Alan Reed
Loren Hines
Don Couchman
Chris Green
Michael Jenson

Members Absent

Janet Saiers

STAFF

Barbara Taylor, COA Director, Parks and Recreation
James Lewis, Open Space Assistant Superintendent
Nicole Trujillo, Open Space Division

OTHERS PRESENT

Matthew Whelan, COA, Acting Associate Director, Parks and Recreation
Stephanie Yara, COA City Council
Don Britt, COA, Real Property
Peggy Norton, Interested Citizen
Bill Henderson, Interested Citizen
Ruth Salvaggio, Interested Citizen
Shannon Jones, Interested Citizen
Miriam Hall, Interested Citizen
Dianne Schlies, Interested Citizen
Nathan Todd, COA, Open Space Division, Parks and Recreation
Tricia Keffer, COA, Open Space Division, Parks and Recreation
Judy Giblin, Interested Citizen
Betsy James, Interested Citizen
Arana Kalwaic, Interested Citizen
Oscar Simpson, Interested Citizen
Bruce Shah, Interested Citizen
Joan Robins, Interested Citizen
Denise Wheeler, Interested Citizen
Sayrah Namaste, Interested Citizen
Carolyn Siegel, Interested Citizen
Vicki Dern, Interested Citizen
Gail Garber, Interested Citizen
Will Hoffman, Interested Citizen
Nicola Baptiste, Interested Citizen
Judy Kowalski, State of New Mexico
Andrew Stone, Interested Citizen
Christianne Hinks, Interested Citizen
Amy Beveridge, Interested Citizen

Vice Chair Michael Jensen called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Alan Reed to approve the agenda for November 22, 2016. The motion was seconded by Rene Horvath. A vote was taken and the motion passed on a 5 to 0 vote. Loren Hines was not in attendance at the time, so was not able to vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Alan Reed to approve the October 25, 2016 minutes. The motion was seconded by Chris Green. A vote was taken and the motion passed on a 5 to 0 vote. Loren Hines was not in attendance at the time, so was not able to vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bill Henderson, an interested citizen stated that he would like to request signage for the Atrisco trails.

After some discussion by the board, it was determined that they would like the Army Corp. to come to the December meeting to give a status on projects within the Rio Grande Valley State Park

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

After some discussion by the board, it was determined to move the December meeting from December 27, 2016 to December 13, 2016.

Rene Horvath stated that the ABC to Z plan was heard and will be continued on December 14, 2016. They are currently working on the IDO and it is their hope to be heard at the EPC in January or February of 2017. She would like the Parks and Recreation Department to be promoting single loaded streets.

Rene Horvath stated that the CPC heard the Santolina project and will be continued January 4, 2017.

Rene Horvath stated that the EPC will be hearing the bridge over the siphon south of I-40

Alan Reed stated he would like for the board to have more of a discussion on the visitor use plan that the National Park Service presented at the October OSAB meeting. After some discussion by the board, it was determined to put this topic on the December agenda for discussion.

DISCUSSION ON ABC TO Z PLAN:

After some discussion by the board, a motion was made by Alan Reed to have the Open Space Advisory Board urge the City Planning Department and the City Council to include a Parks and Recreation representative on the Design Review Board. The motion was seconded by Chris Green. A vote was taken and the motion passed on a 6 to 0 vote.

REAL PROPERTY REPORT:

After some discussion by the board, a motion was made by Don Couchman, for the Open Space Advisory Board to authorize the Real Property Division to conclude the settlement with the Albuquerque Academy and Juan Tomas in accordance with the Elena Gallegos trade land. The motion was seconded by Chris Green. A vote was taken and the motion passed on a 6 to 0 vote.

After some discussion by the board, a motion was made by Michael Jensen for the Open Space Division to enter into a MOU with the town of Edgewood for their use of a parking lot owned by the City of Albuquerque. The motion was seconded by Alan Reed. A vote was taken and the motion passed on a 6 to 0 vote.

Don Britt gives an update on La Cuentista. He stated that the Real Property Division is awaiting an appraisal and would have more information for the December 13, 2016 meeting.

Don Britt stated that he was contacted by a citizen from the East Mountains wanting to gain access to his property through the City of Albuquerque owned Carolino Canyon property. Mr. Britt would like to put this on the December 13, 2016 agenda listed as an action item.

DISCUSSION ON CANDELARIA FARMS:

Michael Jensen presented a proposed resolution for the future management of Candelaria Farm preserve as a nature study area and wildlife preserve. Director Taylor stated that the Candelaria Farms Master plan (Predock, 1978) may not have been approved by the Department of the Interior. Judy Kowalski from the State of New Mexico agreed. The public expressed their opinions on the matter. After some discussion by the board, it was determined to keep this item on the agenda for the December 13, 2016 meeting.

PARKS AND RECREATION BUDGET SUBMITTAL:

After some discussion by the board, a motion was made by Alan Reed for the Open Space Advisory Board to endorse the budget request for the 2017 General Obligation Bond program including special requests for upgrading irrigation in the parks and operational equipment for deferred maintenance. The motion was seconded by Chris Green. A vote was taken and the motion passed on a 6 to 0 vote.

PUBLIC OUTREACH/FILM PRESENTATION:

After some discussion by the board, it was determined to put this item on the December 13, 2016 agenda to be listed as an action item.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:23 PM