

OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 25, 2018
1:30 pm
Open Space Visitor Center
6500 Coors Blvd. NW

Members Present

Chris Green (Chair), Don Couchman, Rene Horvath, Michael Jensen, Twyla McComb, Alan Reed

Members Absent

Tasia Young

Staff Members Present

Brandon Gibson (Associate Director, Parks & Recreation Department), Jim Sattler (Assistant Superintendent, Open Space Division), Kimberly Selving (Administrative Assistant, Open Space Division), James Lewis (Assistant Superintendent, Open Space Division), Tricia Keffer (Associate Planner, Open Space Division)

Visitors Present

Stephanie Yara (City Council), Don Britt (COA REAL Property), Linda Shank (citizen), Dave Parsons (TAG), Jerold Widdison (citizen), Ana Maria Olmstead (TRNA, WSCONA, BMHOA), Barbara Taylor (citizen), Chris Daniel (City of Albuquerque DFAS)

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chair Chris Green called the meeting to order at 1:37 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Don Couchman moved to approve agenda as modified; second by Alan Reed. Motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

3. Approval 8/28/2018 minutes

Motion: Don Couchman moved to approve minutes as amended; second by Twyla McComb. Motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

4. Public comment

Barbara Taylor announced that there is a request before council by Councilor Borrego that there be a Zone change for the subdivision in two areas: that the lot size be decreased and that there be a shallower setback (from 300 to 200) from boundary of Open Space. Advisable to support the normal process via IDO. Concern from Ms. Taylor that this would set a precedent.

Ms. Ana Maria Olmstead (TRNA, WSCONA) proposed that the Plein Air Society invite citizens to join them in painting in Open Space with a particular focus on the Poole property. Rene Horvath and the board proposed that discussion of the Poole property and related public comment be put on the agenda of the next meeting, prior to the November EPC meeting.

5. Announcements and Correspondence

Under Open Meetings law, Alan Reed suggested communication be initiated to city council, requesting notification of OSAB about an ordinance under consideration by City Council. Alan Reed proposed that Ordinance 18-34 sponsored by Councilor Borrego has been introduced to City Council without notification to the Open Space Advisory Board. OSAB requests that Ordinance 18-34 be submitted to the city planning process for consideration and that OSAB be notified in order to put Ordinance 18-34 on the agenda for future consideration. No objection by the board.

11. Candelaria Farm Presentation

Michael Jensen presented a Powerpoint and summary of points related to Candelaria Farm. This item was moved to earlier in the agenda due to Mr. Jensen's need to leave the meeting early.

6. Action: Election of Chair/Vice Chair

Alan Reed moved to nominate Chris Green for Chair, second by Twyla McComb.

Don Couchman moved that nominations close, second by Alan Reed. Passed unanimously and 6-0 vote to elect Chris Green as Chair of the Open Space Advisory Board.

Don Couchman moved to nominate Alan Reed for Vice Chair. Second by Twyla McComb. Don Couchman moved that nominations close, second by Alan Reed. The 6-0 vote unanimously passed the election of Alan Reed as Vice Chair.

7. Real Property Report

Don Britt updated the board on the exchange of properties outside Farmington as well as the acquisition of 20 acres, Parcel 17 in the Tijeras Bio Zone and the status of the Chant property.

8. Briefing from Open Space Division staff on current projects

Jim Sattler (Open Space Division) updated the board on current Open Space projects, events, and news.

Brandon Gibson (Parks & Recreation Department) updated the board on plans for Open Space farm properties.

9. Presentation: Open Space Trust Fund

Chris Daniels of City of Albuquerque DFAS updated the board on the management of the Open Space Trust Fund

10. Discussion: Open Space staff land acquisition priorities

Brandon presented to the board the properties currently being considered for priority acquisition.

11. See above

12. Discussion: Review calendar for potential Petroglyph National Monument field trip

The Open Space Advisory Board discussed the scheduling of a field trip to view Petroglyph National Monument. An email will be sent out to group by Chair Chris Green in order to specify a date in early November prior to the November meeting.

13. Adjournment

Motion: Alan Reed moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 pm; second by Twyla McComb. Motion carried unanimously, 6-0.