

**DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE  
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 26, 2016**

**Members Present**

Griff Lechner  
Michael Jenson  
Loren Hines  
Janet Saiers  
Rene Horvath  
Alan Reed  
Chris Green

**STAFF**

Kent Swanson, Open Space Visitor Center Manager  
Naomi Andrade, Open Space Division

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Barbara Taylor, Director, Parks and Recreation  
Linda Shank, Interested Citizen  
Donald Couchman, Interested Citizen  
James Lewis, Assistant Open Space Superintendent  
Don Britt, COA Real Property Manager  
Ike Eastvold, Interested Citizen  
Stephanie Yara, COA, Council Services  
Jerold Widdison, Interested Citizen  
Dick Kirshner, Interested Citizen  
Brandi Salazar, COA Real Property  
Reylene Garcia, COA Real Property  
Barbara Mueller, Interested Citizen  
Joe Archbold, Interested Citizen  
Trace Salley, Interested Citizen  
Scott Steffon, Interested Citizen  
Kevin Patton, Pulte Homes  
Scott Schiabor, Scott Patrick Homes

Meeting Convened at 1:33 PM

Introductions were made by all present

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

After discussion by the Board, a motion was made by Loren Hines to approve the agenda with item # 5 to follow item # 7. The motion was seconded by Michael Jensen, a vote was taken and the motion passed on a 7 to 0 vote.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

Griff Lechner introduced Chris Green as a new member on the Advisory Board.

Griff Lechner announced that this will be his last meeting. Mr. Lechner stated that he has enjoyed working on this Board and a lot has been accomplished while he has been on the board.

Michael Jensen announced his re-appointment will be introduced at Monday April 30, 2016 City Council meeting.

Michael Jensen announced the restoration of Tijeras Creek behind Los Vecinos Community Center on May 1, 2016.

Michael Jensen announced the youth water summit Wednesday May 4, 2016.

Kent Swanson announced events at the Visitor Center and handed out the Summer Series flyer.

A motion was made for Janet Saiers to Chair the May 24, 2016 meeting in the absence of Vice Chair Loren Hines. The motion was seconded by Rene Horvath. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7 to 0.

Barbara Taylor announced that the Open Space Division will not lose any positions or money this next fiscal year.

Barbara Taylor handed out the City Ordinance on Public Boards, Commissions, and Committees 2-6-1

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Loren Hines to approve the March 22, 2016 minutes. The motion was seconded by Michael Jensen. A vote was taken and the motion passed 7 to 0.

A motion was made by Michael Jensen and seconded by Loren Hines to approve the minutes as amended. A vote was taken and the motion passed on a 7 to 0 vote.

## **UPDATE: OSAB MANUAL**

Alan Reed and Janet Saiers gave an update on the progress of the OSAB Manual. An Oath of Office and a draft of the proposed Open Space Advisory Board rules of procedure were handed out.

Mr. Reed suggested that a special meeting of the entire Board be held to discuss the OSAB Manual.

## **LAND ACQUISITION PROCESS**

Alan Reed stated that the Advisory Board would need an evaluation matrix that meets City Council requirements, and which will also be a basis for what Real Property follows.

Barbara Taylor stated that she spoke with Councilman Benton regarding the matrix and that she would get this summarized in writing.

## **PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED LAND EXCHANGE ALONG MIDDLE BRANCH OF BOCA NEGRA ARROYO**

A brief presentation was given to the Board from Mr. Kevin Patton, with Pulte Homes and Mr. Scott Schiabor with Scott Patrick Homes regarding a land exchange along the middle branch of Boca Negra arroyo.

Mr. Patton states that the total acreage dedicated to the City would be 14.6 acres.

After some discussion by the Board, it was determined that this item will be put on the May 24, 2016 agenda to be listed as an action item.

## **UPDATE; LETTER REQUESTING LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUNDS**

Janet Saiers stated that the letter was written and sent to Councilor Benton to get the Mayor's signature.

## **UPDATE: ATRISCO SIPHON BRIDGE CROSSING**

James Lewis gave an update on the Atrisco Siphon Bridge Crossing. The Board determined it to be an extraordinary facility and that it should be heard by the EPC.

A motion was made by Chris Green to approve the recommendations proposed today of the new location of the bridge as opposed to the previous location. The motion was seconded by Michael Jensen. A vote was taken and the motion failed on a 4 to 2 vote.

## **UPDATE: REAL PROPERTY REPORT:**

### **1. PROPOSED FENCING ON PRIVATE LAND AT NORTHERN GEOLOGIC WINDOW.**

After some discussion by the board, a motion was made by Rene Horvath in favor for the National Park Service to fence the property at the North Geologic Window. The motion was seconded by Loren Hines and the motion passed on 6 to 0 vote.

## **2. TRUST FUND TRADE LANDS REPORT**

Don Britt stated that a citizen contacted him inquiring on purchasing the Open Space property in Farmington. After discussion by the Board, it was determined to have an ongoing discussion regarding the trade lands.

After discussion by the Board, it was determined to have a study session at the Visitor Center on May 10, 2016. This will be a special meeting to discuss and establish policies and procedures for current and future Board members.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:43 PM