

METROPOLITAN PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes of April 14, 2009

Location: Parks and Recreation Admin Building A, 1801 Fourth Street

Members Present: Donald H. Couchman, Chair; Sandra P. Richardson Vice Chair; William Baldwin; Robert W. Day; Joe M. Montano; Carolyn Stewart; Jerry Worrall

Members Absent/Excused: Becky Lee; Orlando Sedillo

City Staff Present: Jay Lee Evans, PRD-Acting Director; Jeff Hart, PRD-Park Management; DMD-Rhonda Methvin; Malia Tafoya–Board Secretary

Visitors: Cliff Richardson, Dist 4 guest

Call to Order: Chair Couchman called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Approval of Today's Agenda: Vice Chair Richardson moved approval, Member Worrall seconded; the board unanimously approved the motion.

Approval of March Minutes: Vice Chair Richardson moved approval, Member Baldwin seconded; the Minutes were approved by general consent.

Introduction of Visitors and Guests: Visitors and guests listed above.

Announcements: Mike Molina is out due to surgery

General Public Testimony: None

Reports:

- PRD Acting Director – Jay Lee Evans – Deferred to Jeff Hart

- PRD Park Management Division Manager – Jeff Hart reviewed and distributed a handout with upcoming events affecting Park Management and Open Space. Jay Evans discussed in detail Q-jam which is upcoming at Civic Plaza.

- BFPB Representative for MPRAB – Bill Nordin reported on the past Infinity Rally and the upcoming Celtic Festival and other upcoming events. Bill advised that the Balloon Museum is beginning to get involved with upcoming events that will be held at BF Park.

- Prescription Recreation Liaison – Not present

- DMD Report – Rhonda Methvin distributed and reviewed a handout regarding Median/Streetscape and Little League/Tennis projects that are currently in design and development. Rhonda advised there is a hold on doing work for Little Leagues because of an anti-donation clause that is currently being reviewed. Rhonda also discussed the restrooms at Mariposa.

Sub-committee reports

- Amenities
- Ditches with Trails
- Prescription Trails

Members' Roundtable

- Member Stewart – Pass
- Member Day - Pass
- Vice Chair Richardson – Requested Jay Evans follow up with Richard Dineen regarding an email she sent regarding landscaping of the 2 garden areas at the Cherry Hills Library.
- Jeff Hart - Pass
- Bill Nordin – Pass
- Jay Evans – The Los Duranes NA is interested in edible landscaping projects, Vice Chair Richardson requested a presentation on the edible landscaping from Member Stewart and Member Worrall. Mr. Evans advised he will request Paullina Aguilera Alina to come and make a presentation regarding the edible landscaping.
- Member Worrall - Pass
- Member Baldwin - Pass
- Member Stewart – Pass

Unfinished Business:

Potential Board Members – Chair Couchman advised that Councilor Benton's staff is working on a replacement for district three and he has discussed the at-large with Tony Pedroncelli.

New Business: The board discussed the need to have the neighborhoods representatives come to the MPRAB meeting in order to work with DMD on park design and construction. The board also discussed finding away to make the Neighborhood Associations be aware of the possibilities of working with the MPRAB.

Next meeting May 12th, 2009, 4:00pm to 6:00 pm

Adjourn: Chair Couchman adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm.