GREATER ALBUQUERQUE RECREATIONAL TRAILS COMMITTEE
MINUTES

January 20, 2015
4:00 pm

3rd Floor Conference Room, Room 304
Old City Hall (Fifth and Marquette NW, Albuquerque, NM)
(new location)

Members Present: Ian Maddieson, John Thomas, Valerie Cole, Gary W. Kelly, William Schimberg, Tyler Ashton, Warren Wild

Members Absent: Guy Miller

Advisory Members Present: None

Staff Members Present: Barbara Taylor (COA - Parks and Recreation), Keith Reed (COA - Parks and Recreation) Christina Sandoval (COA - Parks and Recreation), Carol Dumont (COA - Parks and Recreation) Carrie Barkhurst (Planning)

Staff Members Absent: None

Visitors Present: Jackie Bouker, John Barncastle, Julie Luna (MRCOG), Gilbert Sanchez (NMDOT)

Call to Order and Introductions
Outgoing Chairperson Ian Maddieson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Approval of January 20, 2015 Agenda
Motion: Approved Motion passes 7-0.

Approval of December 16, 2014 Minutes
Motion: Approved Motion passes 7-0.

General Announcements: Barbara Taylor apologized for short notice of the change in meeting place and explained safety concerns. Ian Maddieson will be absent the next two meetings.

New Business/Update Items/Presentations (None scheduled for this month)

Discussion, Action Items, and On-Going Business:

- Carrie Barkhurst (Planner/COA Planning Department) – The Bikeways and Trails Plan will be heard at the 2nd LUPZ hearing on February 11th.
- Paseo Del Norte/1-25 construction – GARTC members would like to ride with NMDOT District Engineer. Website: ridewithgps.com/routes/6833601
- Trail Safety issues – Discussion regarding recent events and need to discuss with APD regarding policing of trails and use of security cameras.
- Mid-Block Crossing Video Presentation – Table until April meeting.
- GARTC Annual Report – all members have reviewed and approved.
- Change in time for GARTC meetings – much discussion but no consensus at this time.
- Meeting location – possible community center locations convenient to 4th Street area will be considered. GARTC members discussed issues with both 4th Street PRD conference room and City Hall locations. Tabled to February meeting.
- Piedras Marcadas/Golf Course Midblock crossing update. Tabled to February meeting.

**Election of Officers** – Discussion about requirements for officers based on Public Board or Commission regulations.
- John Thomas was nominated to Chairperson and motion passed 7-0.
- Ian Maddieson was nominated to Vice Chairperson and motion passed 7-0.
  Meeting was handed off to John Thomas, new Chairperson.

**Sub-Committee Reports:**
- **GARTC’s Bollard Sub-Committee.** Gary Kelly announced that the subcommittee on Bollards has been abolished.
- **Agenda Sub-Committee** – Gary, John and Ian; will be Tyler, John and Ian.
- **Naming Sub-Committee** – Warren and Gary. Discussion about how to define the term “recreation” in the broader sense or quantifying the benefits of recreational trail use.

**Staff Reports and Project Updates:**
- Christina Sandoval discussed how to make the Bikeways and Trails Facilities Plan available to visually challenged individuals. She will be meeting with UNM and IT experts.
- The resurfacing of the Amole Trail from Sage to Blake has begun and should be completed by late March.

**Public Comment**
- John Barncastle commented on the dangerous Paseo del Norte/I-25 crossing which appears to be more of a pedestrian crossing than a trail crossing. AMAFCA has agreed to help stabilize the Bear Canyon Arroyo between Moon and Eubank.
- Gilbert Sanchez from NMDOT described the bike route between Four Hills and Tramway which has a different striping plan.

**Adjourn:** John Thomas moved to adjourn at 5:34 pm. Seconded by William Schimberg. All in favor, (motion passes 7-0)

The foregoing GARTC minutes from the December 16, 2014 GARTC meeting have been approved as written or with noted comments on February 12, 2015.

**Chairperson – John Thomas**

Date Mar 17, 2015

**Prepared by: Christina Sandoval**

Date 3/17/15