# GREATER ALBUQUERQUE RECREATIONAL TRAILS COMMITTEE MINUTES



December 20, 2016 3:30 pm

Meeting Place: 7th Floor conference room, Room 7096



Members Present: Ron Cossey, Ian Maddieson, Valerie Cole, Kathleen Rhoad, Warren Wild

Members Absent: Tyler Ashton (excused)

Advisory Members Present: None

Staff Members Present: Jason Coffey, PRD; Valerie Hermanson, MRCOG

Staff Members Absent: None

Visitors Present: Jackie Bouker

# Call to Order and Introductions

Meeting called to order at 3:34 p.m. Quorum is present.

# Approval of December 20, 2016 Agenda

Valerie Cole moved to approve the agenda, second Warren Wild. Motion carries with a voice vote.

### Approval of November 15, 2016 Minutes

Kathleen Rhoad moved to approve the minutes as amended, second Warren Wild. Motion carries with a voice vote.

# **General Announcements:**

The Chair brings up some inconsistencies in the Bike Map, only one of the bridges over Tramway is shown on the map. Also, where there are trails next to bike lanes the lines overlap. Staff will work to get a draft of the map to review prior to the next printing run.

## Discussion, Action Items, and On-Going Business:

Meeting location review

The option for meeting at the Parks and Recreation Administration building has been raised. The committee discusses the merits of 4<sup>th</sup> St versus City Hall. There seems to be agreement that moving the meeting back to 4<sup>th</sup> St would be good. Warren Wild moved to change the meeting location to 4<sup>th</sup> St, second by Valerie Cole. Motion carries with a voice vote.

2017 Committee Goals

Staff added this to the agenda, to check in and see if the committee members are getting all the support they would like, and if there are any issues they would like to work on or trainings, etc. The idea of having some of the meetings be field trips is brought up and is supported. The level of participation from agencies, such as NMDOT, has improved, and communication has been provided in advance for new projects. The fact that there have not been too many new projects maybe a factor in that. Members bring up the need for advance scheduling for field trips outside of the recurring meeting schedule, but are receptive to the idea. ADA access for the mayor's crusher fine trail is something brought up as an area of focus for the coming year. There is a general discussion about the alignment of the new crusher fine trail and potential locations for access. There are some issues regarding the compaction of the crusher fine trail. There is a general discussion about the Bosque crusher fine trail details. The Chair brings up the follow through with topic that get presented, the trail names for proposed trails, the design of new signs has been discussed but has not come back up, and the desire of the committee is to follow through. Staff requests assistance with remembering what items need to be followed up on.

#### Committee Member Recruitment

There is a general discussion about efforts to recruit new member and how the quadrants are divided City wide.

Tramway Trail Invasive Species and Landscaping Nothing new.

# Staff Reports and Project Updates:

Jason Coffey, Trails Planner, Parks and Recreation Department

The Bridge and Trail Evaluation Study, load ratings are underway for the bridges crossing I-40 and I-25. There was a delay in the load rating because the bridges were built by NMDOT so the City did not have the record drawings. The record drawings are needed for the load rating calculations but the consultants were able to get the plans from NMDOT. Work is underway on a trails report, the field work is wrapping up and preliminary findings and the methodology will be described in a brief report. In the New Year work resume on the sign standards and the next iteration will come to CARTC for feedback.

The status of the Black Arroyo Erosion Control and resurfacing is unchanged. The agreement is stuck at Real Property.

North Diversion Channel Rail Crossing Agreement, no change- the contract is still with the Real Property Division for review.

The Singer Bridge widening and trail notch project continues. Work on the notch is underway and the project should be complete in the next few months. The Chappell Rd access from the North Diversion Channel Trail has been recommended to remain in the current widened configuration with modifications necessary if the gap is formalized. Please see Exhibit A for the proposed configuration. Any feedback is welcome and a motion of support from GARTC would be helpful. I-40 West Channel Extension pre-construction meeting took place 12/20/2016. I will provide a briefing for GARTC based on the information provided during the pre-con.

Bear Canyon Arroyo bridge over I25, my latest directions has been to stand down because DMD is taking the lead on identifying the root cause of the problems. It is unclear what role Parks will play in any retrofits deemed necessary, but in the meantime Parks Management is utilizing temporary patching to address surface deterioration.

Unser Trail Erosion Control is a project to stabilize the slopes on the new trail segment from Unser Blvd NW to Santo Domingo Ct NW. This trail segment was built by DMD when the Unser Trail was extended from Dellyne to Santo Domingo Ct. The construction of portion of the trail north of Montano and east of Unser resulted in some cut to meet grade and the hydro seeding placed by

the contractor has failed. Therefore, the un-stabilized slopes are eroding and causing damage to the trail, so our project would revegetate the slopes and install a swale to keep run off from further damaging the trail. We are waiting for the cost estimate from Parks Construction.

The ADA ramp from the Nature Center to the Aldo Leopold Trail is being redone as part of the Bosque Trail Phase 3. The main ramp from the bridge over the River Side Drain is complete and has reopened. The Aldo Leopold ramp is still closed and we are working with the contractor to address deficiencies in the new ramp. The ramp may need to be constructed out concrete due to issues meeting ADA standards using asphalt. Negotiations with the contractor on a change order are taking place this week and I hope the ramp can be complete by the end of the week.





Valerie Cole moved to support the recommendation of GABAC to maintain the widened access from NDC Trail to Chappell Rd, second by Warren Wild. Motion carries with a voice vote.

### **Public Comment:**

None

Adjourn: Meeting is adjourned at 4:55pm.

The foregoing GARTC minutes from the December 20, 2016 GARTC meeting have been approved as written or with noted comments on January 17, 2017.

Chairperson – lan Maddieson	
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Signature	Date
Prepared by: Jason Coffey Signature	3/23/17 Date