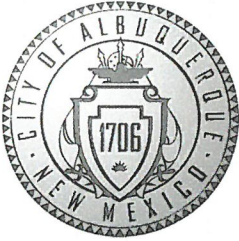


# GREATER ALBUQUERQUE RECREATIONAL TRAILS COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 17, 2017  
3:30 pm

Meeting Place: Parks and Recreation Administration,  
1801 4<sup>th</sup> St NW



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

**Members Absent:** Tyler Ashton, Ron Cossey

**Advisory Members Present:** None

**Staff Members Present:** Jason Coffey, PRD; Christina Sandoval, PRD; Valerie Hermanson, MRCOG; Julie Luna, Bern Co

**Staff Members Absent:** None

**Visitors Present:** Jackie Bouker

## **Call to Order and Introductions**

Meeting called to order at 3:39 p.m. Quorum is present.

## **Approval of January 17, 2017 Agenda**

Kathleen Rhoad moved to approve the agenda, Warren Wild seconds. Motion carries with a voice vote.

## **Approval of December 20, 2016 Minutes**

Valerie Cole moved to approve the minutes, Kathleen Rhoad seconds. Motion carries with a voice vote.

## **General Announcements:**

2017 Bicycling Community Meet & Greet-Tuesday, January 24, 2017

6:00pm-7:30pm (doors open at 5:30pm), Albuquerque International Balloon Museum, Pugash Hall (upstairs)

Christina Sandoval, PRD Principle Planner, provided an update regarding the Comp Plan and IDO update and what the effects of the updates will be on Parks and Recreation. Ms. Sandoval then describes potential changes and their effects on the trail network. Parks is getting its own zone and this will create scenarios where privately developed trails on private property will be required to be built to city standards and signed to indicate ownership and maintenance. There is a general conversation regarding the IDO process update including removing Parks and Recreation from the Development Review Board. Parks is not supporting the proposed change because Parks is one of the largest landowners in the metro area and feels Parks can manage its interests best by retaining a seat on the Board.

Kathleen Rhoad moved GARTC submit a letter to the EPC Chair, Karen Hudson, voicing support for Parks and Recreation to maintain a seat on the Development Review Board. The letter will be

written by an ad-hoc DRB Sub-Committee consisting of Ian Maddieson, Valerie Cole, and Kathleen Rhoad; Valerie Cole seconds. The motion carries with a voice vote.

EPC IDO Hearing will be Feb. 2, 2017 at the Convention Center from 1pm-8pm.

**Discussion, Action Items, and On-Going Business:**  
**Chair's Report for 2016**

Committee members express support for the report.

Kathleen Rhoad moved to adopt the Chair's Report for 2016, second by Warren Wild. Motion passes with a voice vote.

**Committee Elections**

Warren Wild moved to nominate Kathleen Rhoad as Chair of the GARTC, second Valerie Cole. Motion passes with a voice vote. No other candidates are nominated. Kathleen Rhoad is elected Chair.

Ian Maddieson provisionally nominates Tyler Ashton as Vice Chair, second by Warren Wild. Motion carries with a voice vote.

**Bosque Crusher Fine Trail Review**

The newly elected Chair describes a review of the 3<sup>rd</sup> section of the crusher fine trail, there are some photos to review. The main concerns seems to be a lack of good bonding of the surface of the stabilizer, and the fact that the trail surfaces seems to be a bit above the elevation of the ground and therefore the edge is not as firm as possible. There is a question regarding whether or not the trail has been signed off on, because there are concerns about the finished product of the 3<sup>rd</sup> section. There is a lot of equestrian traffic in the Bosque due to the proximity to a riding stable.

Alignment can be found at- <http://www.cabq.gov/parksandrecreation/open-space/bosque-multi-use-accessible-path-overview>

**Federal Funding Project Updates**

Staff reports on projects submitted for Federal funding and provides a basic outline of the application and selection processes.

**2017 Committee Goals**

There is a general conversation regarding the idea of training and field visits which was presented at the last meeting.

**Committee Member Recruitment**

The email from the Mayor's office is reviewed and there is a general conversation regarding efforts to recruit more members for the committee. TASK: Ian Maddieson will reach out to Gary Kelly to apply for GARTC.

**Tramway Trail Invasive Species and Landscaping**

The update is included in the Chair's report, other than the tree of heaven update in the report there is not new information from NMDOT. There is a general conversation regarding the evolution of the landscaping along the Tramway corridor. (Add to the agenda a discussion about discussing Maintenance with the Maintenance crew.)

## **2016 Chair's Report**

The 2016 Chair's Report will be posted online with the minutes.

### **Staff Reports and Project Updates:**

Jason Coffey, Trails Planner, Parks and Recreation Department

- The Bridge and Trail Evaluation Study, at the February meeting I would like to present the 30% plans for the signage pilot project. The pilot project will be on the North Diversion Channel Trail and the design of the pilot project will be used to inform the standard drawings for trail intersection the consultant will be producing as part of the overall project. The trail report should be completed by the end of January and the bridge report should be completed by the end of February.
- The Black Arroyo erosion control and resurfacing has been canceled. The inability to get the encroachment license through Real Property has scuttled the project.
- North Diversion Channel Rail Crossing Agreement, no change- the contract is still with the Real Property Division for review. I am still hoping this project can happen and will continue to monitor the situation in the next few months.
- 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. I have requested a cost estimate for the work to improve the NDC/Chappell access we discussed last month. Once the estimate is received I will move forward with a Work Order to have the project completed. There have been some hang-ups in the overall project and the contractor is facing the potential of Liquidated Damages due to a bust in the contract schedule. But, work continues on the trail notch yet it is not clear what the end date of the project will be. The project was originally schedule for substantial completion by February 3<sup>rd</sup>, but it is unlikely that target will be met.
- I-40 West Channel Extension construction is scheduled to begin 1/19/17. Once work begins on the trail portion of the project I will provide progress updates. The first focus of the construction activity will be on earth work related to channel with trail work coming later in the project.
- Bear Canyon Arroyo bridge over I25, I have no update at this time. DMD is taking the lead on identifying solutions to fail bridge deck surface. I will provide updates as I receive new information.
- 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. A quote was received for the work from the DMD Parks Construction crew. However, the DMD crews are engaged on other projects and it is unclear when this project can be scheduled. I will provide updates as I get new information.
- The ADA ramp from the Nature Center to the Aldo Leopold Trail was 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 was rebuilt with concrete and the railings were reset. It is open.

### **Public Comment:**

None

**Adjourn:** Meeting is adjourned at 5:19pm.

**The foregoing GARTC minutes from the January 17, 2017 GARTC meeting have been approved as written or with noted comments on February 21, 2017.**

**Chairperson - Kathleen Rhoad**

Kathleen Rhoad

March 21, '17

Signature

Date

**Prepared by: Jason Coffey**

Jason Coffey

3/23/17

Signature

Date