

OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 25, 2017
1:30 pm

Open Space Visitor Center
6500 Coors Blvd. NW

Members Present

Michael Jensen (Chair), Don Couchman, Chris Green, Loren Hines, Rene Horvath, Alan Reed, Janet Saiers

Members Absent

None

Staff Members Present

Tricia Keffer (Open Space Associate Planner), Amanda Romero (Open Space Senior Administrative Assistant) Jim Sattler (Open Space Assistant Superintendent), Barbara Taylor (Parks & Recreation Director), Matthew Whelan (Parks & Recreation Deputy Director)

Visitors Present

Don Britt (COA Real Property), Ike Eastvold (citizen), Sharon Eastvold (citizen), Jerold Widdison (citizen), Linda Shank (OSA)

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chair Michael Jensen called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda item 6 should refer to the June 27, 2017 meeting instead of June 28. ***Motion: Loren Hines moved to approve the agenda as amended; second by Chris Green. Motion passed 6-1; Alan Reed voted against.***

3. Approval of June 27, 2017 Minutes

Motion: Janet Saiers moved to approve June 27, 2017 minutes; second by Loren Hines. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

4. Public Comment

None

5. Announcements and Correspondence

- Rene Horvath said the construction crew working next to Petroglyph National Monument she mentioned at the last meeting is containing their trash better.
- Rene Horvath said the landscaping along Unser by Petroglyph National Monument has become bare of natural vegetation.
- Alan Reed distributed a scheduling memo to be discussed during Agenda item 13.
- Michael Jensen announced the release of Valle del Oro's draft Environmental Justice Strategic Plan.
- Barbara Taylor announced there are nominees to replace outgoing board members in process.

6. Notice of OMA Violation & Re-Opened Item #8 (June 27, 2017)

Michael Jensen discussed the Open Meetings Act and the need to be sure the agenda is accurate prior to and to follow it during meetings. The board decided to discuss whether to hold special meetings for the

Petroglyph National Monument Visitor Use Management Plan to later in the agenda. The board decided to move the regular August meeting to the 29th to accommodate schedules. Barbara Taylor said that, regarding Agenda item 9, the letter in support of the art installation which was distributed prior to the meeting was composed by the artist, and Kent Swanson has not actually endorsed the project.

7. Real Property Report

Don Britt discussed land containing Cerro Colorado, which is on the priority acquisition list, that the owner is interested in selling. **Motion: Alan Reed moved to defer discussing the offer pending development of the priority acquisition matrix; second by Janet Saiers. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.**

8. Action: Sale of Open Space land next to Glenwood Pointe

Motion: Loren Hines moved to enter into a closed session to discuss the property sale; second by Alan Reed. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0. The closed session began at 2:24pm. Don Britt gave information regarding the Open Space property next to Glenwood Pointe, which the board discussed.

Motion: Alan Reed moved to put Tract A-2 on the surplus property list and sell it; second by Loren Hines. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

Motion: At 2:32 pm, Alan Reed moved to end the closed session; second by Loren Hines. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

9. Action: Extraordinary Facility designation for art installation in Open Space

The board decided to amend the artwork section of the extraordinary facility list. Artwork will remain an extraordinary facility that must be approved by the board and EPC; a condition will be added to require all artwork to be approved by the Art Board and Open Space staff prior to the Open Space Advisory Board.

Motion: Alan Reed moved to defer until the regular August meeting with the intent to revise the extraordinary facilities guidelines to include the items discussed; second by Janet Saiers. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

10. Candelaria Farm Preserve advisory group update

Michael Jensen gave an update on the Candelaria Farm Preserve Technical Advisory Group, including subcommittee assignments: the tree nursery, the South Candelaria Tract, and visitor use management and outdoor recreation. There will be a two-day land use workshop for TAG members.

11. Evaluation matrix for land acquisitions

The board discussed the draft evaluation matrix for land acquisitions, and Alan Reed took suggestions on additions and changes. Alan will work on editing the draft, and the board will continue to discuss the matrix at the regular monthly meeting in August.

12. Action: Adoption of Board Manual

The board discussed documents to include and the organization of the board manual.

Motion: Alan Reed moved to approve the board manual subject to the discussed amendments; second by Loren Hines. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

13. Action: Approval of 2017 work plan

The board planned an orientation for new members and van tour of Petroglyph National Monument to get a better idea of trails and access points September 25th; and a special meeting to discuss the Visitor Use Management Plan in August. The board discussed the draft 2017 work plan and yearly calendar. This item will also be discussed at the next regular meeting.

14. Adjournment

Motion: Alan Reed moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:23 pm; second by Loren Hines. Motion passed unanimously, 7-0.