

OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 26, 2019

2:00 pm

Don Newton Taylor Ranch Community Center
4900 Kachina St NW

Members Present

Chris Green (Chair), Don Couchman, Rene Horvath, Alan Reed, Twyla McComb, Michael Jensen

Members Absent

Tasia Young

Staff Members Present

Colleen McRoberts (Superintendent, Open Space Division), Brandon Gibson (Associate Director, Parks and Recreation Department), Kimberly Selving (Administrative Assistant, Open Space Division), James Lewis (Assistant Superintendent, Open Space Division)

Visitors Present

Don Britt (COA REAL Property), Shanna Schultz (COA City Council), Jerold Widdison (citizen), Linda Shank (citizen), Barbara Taylor (citizen)

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chair Chris Green called the meeting to order at 2:07 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Board moved to approve agenda with one edit: to change meeting start time to 2:00 pm.

Don Couchman moved approval of the agenda as amended; second by Alan Reed. *Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.*

3. Approval 2.26.19 minutes

Motion: Alan Reed moved to approve February 26, 2019 minutes; second by Michael Jensen. Motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

4. Public comment

Jerold Widdison gave a brief summary of a recent presentation concerning the AMAFCA project plan for the Boca Negra watershed, upstream from the North Geologic window which includes a dam at the west end of the geologic window.

Linda Shank commented on recent reports from the DRB re land use permits.

5. Announcements and Correspondence

Alan Reed introduced the topic of the role of Open Space Advisory Board as interpreted by a recent City of Albuquerque training. Suggestion made to include the review of site plans bordering on Major Public Open Space be included on the agenda for April 23rd Open Space Advisory Board meeting.

Alan Reed mentioned USFS Superintendent Dennis Vasquez's retirement celebration will take place on April 4, 2019.

Don Couchman stated he would not be able to attend the April meeting. Twyla McComb will also not be able to attend.

6. Real Property Report

Don Britt updated the board on final steps on the acquisition of the Chant property and Logan Ranch.

7. Rules of Procedure for Public Involvement

Board discussed the rules as drafted on February 18, 2019. Suggestion that the notice requirement of seven days prior to the meeting be removed and that the total number of minutes for public comment be amended. Motion to adopt Rules for Public Involvement as amended made by Alan Reed, second Don Couchman. Motion carried 5-1. Second set of recommendations for members of the board to be included in April agenda.

8. 2019 Work Plan

Alan Reed commented that the board needs to combine a review of the trust fund with a review of the priority list for land acquisitions as part of the 2019 work plan. Open Space Division and Parks and Recreation Department staff can present funding sources available in order to compile a list of available funding. April 1, 2019 the operating budget will be presented to City Council. The process will be completed by June. Recommendations from Open Space Advisory Board are time-sensitive.

9. Open Meetings Act Resolution

Alan Reed moved to strike the three provisions that are no longer applicable. Michael Jensen seconded. Motion carries unanimously 6-0.

10. Resolution Adopting Open Space Evaluation Criteria for physical changes on and adjacent to Open Space lands.

Alan Reed moved to adopt "Resolution of the Open Space Advisory Board: handout. Second Michael Jensen. Motion carries unanimously 6-0. Chris Green will work with OSD staff to have relevant information presented to the board in a timely manner so that they can best fulfill their advisory role.

11. Briefing from Open Space Division staff on current projects

Colleen McRoberts briefed the board on Open Space projects, and other staff updates.

12. Discussion: Priority Acquisition List

The list, open to future considerations, was presented as the following to be reviewed in future 2019 work plan: Cerro Colorado Volcano, Northern Geologic Window (North 1/3), Northern Sand Dunes, North Rio Puerco Escarpment, Volcano Cliffs Sector Development Plan Parcels (Boca Negra Arroyo Middle Branch & La Cuentista – ongoing), Tijeras Arroyo Biological Zone (ongoing), Volcano Heights (State Land Office parcel), Calabacillas Pueblo, High Lonesome Ranch Pre-1907 (water rights), Crestview Bluff, properties south of Northern Geologic window that are buffers to Petroglyph, Sand Dunes and Escarpment.

13. Adjournment

Motion: Alan Reed moved to adjourn the meeting; second by Michael Jensen. Motion carried unanimously, 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:51 pm