# GRAND JUNCTION/MESA COUNTY RIVERFRONT COMMISSION MEETING January 19, 1993

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 P.M.. Those present from the Commission :

Carol HannaR.T. MantloCarl ZimmermanJane QuimbyBrian MahoneyJim BaughmanKen NesbittBrad LoucksBill GrahamPat Gormley

Also present: Kurt Mill, Lynn Bragdon, Suzanne Williams, Oby Blanchard, Bud Franz, Jerry Nolan, Jerry Wolfe and Stephanie Schmid.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Nesbitt/Quimby to approve the minutes of December 15, 1992 as submitted.

Motion was passed.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lions Club carnival and parade will be held on February 20, 1993. Brian Mahoney suggested that Tom Kleinschnitz of Adventure Bound be asked to help with a Riverfront float.

Stephanie Schmid, the Commission's administrative assistant was named the Palisade Tribune's first annual women of the year.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

## Trails

R.T. Mantlo is waiting for letters regarding the Richardson and Frostline properties. Jeff Williams has sold buildings and has several land trades in progress. A meeting of the Blue Heron II trail committee was scheduled for Friday, January 22.

## Parks

The City council will approve the South Downtown/Riverside/El Poso steering committee on Wednesday, January 20. Ken Nesbitt has been

nominated as the Riverfront Commission's representative.

Jim Baughman reported that the Climax Mill tailings site in enclaved and that the City is considering annexing it.

Kurt Mill reported that the D.O.E and the County have tentatively reached an agreement on revegetation requirements. The County can only stipulate what the end result will be. They cannot tell the D.O.E how it will be done.

# Administration

The 1993 goals were presented for discussion and approval. Pat Gormley suggested that the word bridge be substituted for the word connection in number 2 under three year goals. Ken Nesbitt questioned the wording of number 2 under one year goals, operations. The word permanent was deleted to clarify that this is intended to be a position filled by a Commission member.

Motion: Nesbitt/Gormley to adopt the 1993 goals as presented with the two above changes.

Motion was passed.

The revised organizational chart was also discussed. A question was raised concerning whether or not to list all committee members on the chart. The alternative would be to have committee rosters listing the membership of each committee and list only the committee chair on the chart. No decision was made on this matter.

Brian Mahoney went through the goals and assigned individual Commission members responsibility for each area. The assignments were as follows:

Blue Heron II Trail	R.T. Mantlo
Blue Heron Lake/Kiwanis Park	Brian Mahoney
Colorado River State Park	Ken Nesbitt/Kurt Mill
South Downtown/Riverside	Ken Nesbitt/Bill Prakken
Intergovernmental Maintenance Agreement	Brad Loucks
Project Volunteer Coordination	Carol Hanna
Communication with City and County	Brian Mahoney/Jane Quimby/ Bill Ela
Trail Census	Stephanie Schmid
Fifth Street Corridor	Ken Nesbitt/Bill Prakken



Orchard Mesa Pedestrian/ Bike Bridge	Carl Zimmerman
Confluence Point Park	Brian Mahoney
Outdoor Education Program	Brad Loucks

Discussion on the trail census included Jane Quimby's request that a registration book be kept with names and addresses of trail users in addition to the head count and random sampling of detailed information. Pat Gormley suggested that Commission members participate in administering the census in order to get a better feel for who is using the trails. It was also suggested that the college be contacted to see if there would be help available from them.

Jane Quimby asked the Commission for its approval of the expenditure of \$350 for Stephanie Schmid to attend the Western Colorado Grassroots Leadership Development Program. The program consists of five two day training sessions and a three day retreat. The program extends over a period of twelve months and focuses on leadership development and fund raising skills for not-for-profit organizations.

Motion: Zimmerman/Gormley to approve the expenditure for the Leadership Seminar.

Motion passed.

## **Operations**

Brad Loucks asked that Commission members fill out his Volunteer Information survey to give him a better idea of what kind of volunteer activities are taking place in regard to the Riverfront.

Brad also informed the Commission that governmental jurisdiction has been agreed upon for all portions of the trail except for Greenbelt. It was suggested that John Crouch, the County's new exofficio Commission member be involved in this question.

# Intergovernmental

Nothing to report.

## Finance

Financial statements were distributed and reviewed. Brian stated that he intends to include a copy of the year-end financial statements with the 1993 annual report the City of Grand Junction.

# PUBLIC COMMENT

Pat Gormley discussed the possibility of filing for necessary water rights to replace water lost from Blue Heron Lake due to evaporation. Ken Nesbitt offered to look into the matter. It was

recommended that he talk to City attorney Dan Wilson first.

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Jerry Nolan with W.A.T.E.R. spoke to the Commission about their efforts to secure river access points on the Colorado and Gunnison rivers. He invited Commission members to attend their meeting at the Tortilla Factory on January 26, at 6:30 P.M. The agenda for the meeting is to attempt to identify small boat assess points along the rivers.

Bud Franz reported that a remedial action agreement has been signed by the City and the D.O.E. The work will be divided into four phases.

Oby Blanchard expressed concern about unsupervised children playing on Watson Island.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 P.M.