COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION 683-4333

Riverfront Commission

Minutes September 16, 2008

Called to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:35pm by co-chair John Gormley. Those present from the Commission were:

John Gormley	Dennis Pretti	Katie Steele
Ken Henry	Tom Kenyon	Kathy Herzog

Also present Mark Williams and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval – Quorum not present.

Announcements – Interviews held for new members but appointees not yet made public.

There were no further announcements.

New Business

Received \$5,000 REI grant for tamarisk removal on Watson Island. John talked about Tamarisk Coalition's other grants for Watson Island.

Grant ideas - Dave Soker not here to talk about.

Symposium/conference idea – again Dave Soker not here to talk about.

There was no further new business.

Old Business

John said Brady Trucking going before City Council again tonight.

29 and Los Colonias – Energy Company helping with acquisition of parcel.

Hoey property - south of Clifton Sanitation property - part of GOCO grant.

Updates

Old Fruita Bridge - Ken said almost have contract with GA Western. If okay, will turn over to Coast Guard and then Corps of Engineers.

Fruita received a grant for comprehensive Master Trails Plan. State Park property has had a problem arise. Wanted simultaneous closings. Wanted new appraisal but appraised as industrial rather than open space. Fruita has agreed to put in hard trail.

IGA meeting – John talked about meeting. Palisade Water Park was only real issue. New staff members from Parks and Rec Department were there. Paul Peck and Raul Morales are leaving BLM. BLM is going back to regional office.

PR – Kathy said Bennett said 30 minute video should be ready next week. He'd like to do a premiere at the Avalon. Discussed Speakers Bureau. Kathy will set up another PR meeting soon.

Robb River Rally – great weather. Had about 68 pre-registered participants. There were also several who registered the day of the event. Learned lots for next year. Dennis felt that it wasn't a RFF or RFC event. John thinks we need to work with Chevron. Hope to build on this event.

There was no further old business.

Committee Reports

UTC – Mark thanked the RFC for all Michele's efforts. He passed map around of projects UTC is working on.

Partners – Nothing to report.

Public Comment – Tom talked about lobbying new State Park Director.

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.