

COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
245-0045

Urban Trails Committee

Minutes
April 11, 2000

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by at 7:30pm by co-chair, Jamie Lummis. Those present from the Committee were:

Jamie Lummis	Ken Scissors
Robert Traylor	Diana Cort
Clark Rieves	Bill Findlay
John Halvorson	Birgit Bostelman

Also present were Jody Kliska, Shawn Cooper and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval of Minutes

Jamie asked if Robb has set up the web page meeting. No one had heard anything yet. Everyone discussed having problems getting through to his new email address.

John motioned to approve the minutes. Birgit seconded. Motion passed. Announcements

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Michele passed around a telephone list of all the important phone numbers within the City and the County.

There were no further announcements.

Old Business

Birgit updated the group on bicycle safety course for kids. She has spoken with the Sheriffs department and they are interested as is the bike patrol with the City of Grand Junction Police Department. The GJPD has offered all the signs needed. She thought Lincoln Park would be a good place to hold it, time being 9am-noon. She would like to keep each group small (15-20) per session with five or six sessions over the summer. Sheriffs Department has a sponsor for all the snacks. She has a meeting scheduled for May 16th at 10am at the GJPD to discuss what she wants the kids learn from the course. She is also working on getting some prizes - bookmarks,

20% coupons, booklets to be read and colored, plastic cards with rules; AAA will be sending a course plan layout, ID cards and pamphlets. She is working on getting bicycle flags - Bicycle Outfitters will give them to UTC at wholesale, which is \$2.49 each. Jamie and others will check with their contacts. Ken suggested contacting Martha at Bicycle Colorado, she might have some ideas. Will call program Bike Smart.

Suggested made if program is successful - perhaps a permanent course could be set up somewhere.

Ken updated the group on the formalizing the different regions for new developments that fall within the Urban Trails Master Plan. He passed around a draft of a policy of what everyone should use in reviewing the plans. All regions have been assigned except D Rd. and 29 Rd. Jamie is concerned that the City is only sending a few not all that might affect the UTMP. Thinks it would be a good idea to check in with Kathy to see if she can send the plans and then a submittal list of everything that is being considered (commercial and residential). Michele will see if there is any such list. Bill and Robert will take D and 29. Ken is working on getting a new and improved Master Plan - one that is easy to read. Ken will email a reminder to everyone if comments haven't been returned prior to due date.

Jamie, Ken and Jody had a meeting regarding projects identified as a priority last year and to see what their current status is. Also went over projects covered at retreat.

John asked about bike lanes not be cleaned. Ken recommended being very specific with information and then calling Doug Cline. Jamie suggested John call Doug and see if he can come and talk to the group about how they handle street sweeping.

Robert, Jamie and Dan Wilson (City Attorney) had a meeting a couple of week ago. Robert rode the proposed canal trails. Bill explained a few minuses of each section. May 1 is one of the target dates, June 1 is a date to get four teams of people together to train them on the message wanting to deliver and how UTC wants it delivered and the information delivered to the landowners. Wants the information to be uniform. June 1 to August 1 to contact landowners, have a parallel discussion with Redlands Water & Power to develop an agreement and addition to shoot for City Council approval by the 3rd week of September with operation happening subsequent. Please let Jamie or Robert know if interested on being on one of the four committees.

There was no further old business.

New Business

Ken brought up having a group ride. Each year pick a different section of trail. Michele mentioned that this year on June 3rd there would be a mass bike ride on the new trail connection at Riverside Park. Ken suggested having a little picnic afterwards - everyone bring his or her own picnic.

Michele also reminded everyone that the RFC meeting will be in Fruita next month – Jamie mentioned that there are still a lot of individuals out there that aren't familiar with UTC and if someone would like to meet with them - let Jamie or Robert know.

Ken asked about County person to attend meetings. Linda is on regular mailing list. Jamie suggested that he and Michele work on an email to send to her as a friendly reminder to attend UTC meetings.

There was no further new business.

Public Comment

Jody commented that the Walkable Communities was a great workshop. Have talked with Jamie about having UTC bring him come back. Members that attended would really like to see more developers in attendance. Michele said perhaps one of the developers that is currently applying Dan's message to their projects could come and talk to the developers and explain that they are doing it, how they are doing it and that it works. Dan also suggested having a one-hour presentation for all the elected officials so they can hear and get the message and the next day invite real estate people, bankers and developers for the workshop. Jody thought maybe the Homebuilders Association could co-sponsor it with UTC. Jamie thanked Jody for bringing Dan to Grand Junction.

Jamie reminded everyone to let him and Robert know if they have any ideas, comments or concerns.

There was further public comment.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.