

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
245-0045**

**Urban Trails Committee
Minutes
February 12, 2002**

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:40pm by co-chair, Robert Traylor. Those present from the Committee were:

Robert Traylor	Janet Hollingsworth
Birgit Bostelman	Tim Fry
Diana Cort	Judy Craddock

Also present were George Miller and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval of Minutes

Judy motioned to approve the minutes, Tim second. Motion passed. Group liked receiving minutes via e-mail so will continue from here on out. Michele will try to have them out by the following week after UTC meeting. The agenda will be e-mailed one week before the next meeting.

Announcements

The RFC retreat is Saturday, February 16th, 9am to 2pm. The bus will leave Lincoln Park parking lot at 9am. Bring your own brown bag lunch, cold beverages will be provided.

There were no further announcements.

Old Business

Retreat – Robert asked if anyone had topics for the retreat. New members think it's a good idea to have a retreat and that it would be helpful to them.

Janet asked what the status was on the UTC Master Plan. Robert updated the group on what was going on and what info Ken had given Michele today – Dave Thornton with Community Development will present to City Council next Wednesday night. Time TBD, Ken wants everyone to be prepared.

Bill asked about South Camp. George updated the group and stated work should be started in the spring (section will use enhancement money).

Judy asked the status on the soft path trail on the Audubon. Bill said it's completed but at sometime will need to be compressed.

Discussed priorities and education of public of why and how to use lanes and paths. Judy said she's constantly being asked about Monument Road. George said the City is re-evaluating street standards and Monument Road is one of them.

George said he has reviewed approximately six subdivisions since he's started and improvements based on the UTC Master Plan have been incorporated into each of them.

Talked about issues with the Monument and concerns. George asked what riders say about riding the Monument. Members said riders don't complain about riding through the Monument – complaints are about city streets to the Monument.

Robert suggested the following topics for the retreat:

- 1) Priorities of trails
- 2) Strategies for implementing the UTC Master Plan
- 3) Education

Asked who would be invited, Michele said the usual people.

Talked about how to get people to voice their desires and lobby for trails.

Discussed plan for next meeting with County Planning staff. Bill talked about article from the CDC on obesity and their recommendation on getting non-exercisers out to walk. Everyone felt the article would be a great marketing tool.

Michele said Sue Gormley with Mesa County Facilities said on their survey of County residents, the residents want more parks – so if County builds parks, there will need to be trails and ways to get there safely.

Talked about marketing trails and possibility of grants. Michele reminded the members about National Trails Day in June and that it would be a good way for UTC to get people out onto the trails.

There was no further old business.

New Business

There was no new business.

Public Comment

George thinks educating children is a great idea. Talked about going to individual schools.

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.