COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION 245-0045

Urban Trails Committee Minutes July 9, 2002

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:35pm by co-chair, Robert Traylor. Those present from the Committee were:

Robert Traylor Tim Fry
Janet Hollingsworth Diana Cort
Clark Rieves Ken Scissors
Judy Craddock

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

Approval of Minutes

Janet/Diana motioned to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Announcements

Michele informed everyone that the RFC office would be moving in the fall.

There were no further announcements.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

There was no new business.

Committee Update

<u>Canal Road trail project</u> – Robert and Ken meet with Kelly Arnold. Kelly wanted to know what was going on with the canal banks. Robert has called Jim Grisier. Easements still an issue. Robert said issues seem to be with City not the recreational use. Jamie still hasn't connected with Greg Strong.

Jim Grisier is looking at fall timeline. Clark suggested getting County to sign off on agreement too.

Tim said he, Jody and Shawn went out and walked preliminary trail. Tim showed everyone map with what they though would work. Piece of land is for sale – need direction from others involved. Discussed standards – currently there aren't any. Need to connect with Greg Strong.

Tim talked about property owner interested in trade. He passed out maps to show everyone what properties were involved and issues with trail along canal bank – goes right through proposed golf course. Property owner, Dick Innis isn't happy with golf course next to his house. He's willing to trade 15 acres with City and put into conservation easement. One other issue is that golf course plans have been drawn and money has been spent, City not receptive to trade idea because of money spent.

Next step is going and talking to Doug Jones to see if he'll sign off on concept.

Outreach – Janet said she, Judy and George met and discussed working with other organization. Judy said she spoke with Becky at Tour of the Valley. She is supportive of UTC having table at expo portion of event. She only asked that UTC help her with getting her brochures out. Suggested tent or shade cover for table area. Event is August 25th. Will revamp display board. Want to gather information for community support.

Ken asked about web site. Discussed adding to RFC's site. Janet to contact Colleen Ranny with City.

Discussed safety issues but want to wait until Birgit gets back into town.

Diana passed around "Eight Steps to Grants".

Ken has new projects. He's been meeting with Ken Simms regarding changes. Ken is cataloging all changes he's having to make – will have to go back to City Council and explain changes.

He, Robert and Kelly met about liaisons with other departments to hear what everyone is doing. Kelly designated others to set up meeting.

Jody finished railroad project on River Road. Thank you.

Ken asked Shawn if they could get together for South Camp/Redlands Mesa – Shawn said yes.

Talked about "pavement" on shoulders heading west on Broadway. CDOT has received numerous complaints. Drivers are no longer going around riders – they think the riders should be on the shoulders even though it's bad to ride on. CDOT is aware of the problem and they are planning to repave it within the next year.

Ken still would like to see a signage program. George suggested using contact list from events with their feedback and priorities. Ken asked who would do analysis and what would be involved for quantity to work budget. Jody said it's her department. She doesn't think City will be problem but sees most of if being needed in the County. Further discussed resources and \$

amount involved. Ken believes this should be done professionally. Ken wants it done for whole Master Plan not just existing trails/routes, etc. County must use same standards as City.

Diana asked Shawn about closing Mira Monte. Shawn said he heard about it like everyone else.

Judy brought us another idea – UTC doing an event in June – Tour of the City. Tie it into Wells Fargo Classic and use it as a fundraiser.

Public Comment

Robert commented that Jamie would like to step down as co-chair.

There was no further public comment.

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.