COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION 245-0045

Urban Trails Committee Minutes June 10, 2003

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:40pm by co-chair, Robert Traylor. Those present from the Committee were:

Robert Traylor Jamie Lummis Janet Hollingsworth Clark Rieves Tim Fry Judy Craddock

Also present were Dennis DeVore, Larry Thompson, Kate Cecil, Jody Kliska, Lorna Naegele, Dusty Dunbar, George Miller, Shawn Cooper and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval of Minutes

Jamie/Janet. Motion passed.

Announcements

Tim to attend RFC meeting on 6/17. He can't attend, Janet will go instead. Janet to attend RFC meeting on 7/15.

There were no further announcements.

Old Business

Michele passed out plans. Janet took two. Clark took one.

There was no further old business.

Committee Updates

<u>Canal Banks</u> – Robert updated everyone on meeting with City Attorney Dan Wilson, Joe Stevens and GVIC. Subcommittee meeting went fine but concerns were raised with regard to responses made by City.

Shawn said that on public distributed maps, they do not want canal trails shown. Shawn said City would not change Master Plan. Dan has submitted a copy of the ordinance for their review. Showed them maps and signs but few comments. Jamie said there is concern about how GVIC

will handle call from landowners. Still unclear as to how this will be handled. Dan wants them to forward calls onto the City.

<u>Property Trade</u> – Tim said he went back to look at the property to see what would be best way to get trail there. He thinks simplest way would be to go through new subdivision. He said that the owner wants it to go the other way. Tim doesn't want to loose leverage so he left it with owner to think about.

Outreach/Public Awareness – Janet and Judy meet with Lorna about celebration on June 21st from 9am to noon down in the amphitheatre area. Birgit is updating board. Will have some refreshments and be available to answer questions. Judy is working on PSA's. Asked about funds for refreshments. Michele suggested writing grant request to the Foundation stating what they need and what it's for (\$150). Michele still hadn't heard from the State.

Robert read email from Bicycle Colorado with regard to Bike to Work Day on June 25th. Dusty said that Keith Fife and? from the County, Dee Miller with Fruita and Wellness Committee for the City are planning something that day too.

There was no further old business.

New Business

Tim talked about organization called "Bikes Belong" that gives grants away to communities for trail development and signs.

Jamie asked if anyone has heard PSA's. Group said not really.

There was no further new business.

General Comment

Robert presented Jamie with Certificate of Appreciation. Thanked him for all his hard work and efforts.

Public Comment

Jody shared information about Bicycle League of America. They have an award for Bicycle Friendly Community. She gave info to PR committee to review and possibly submit an application.

Lorna said everyone at the Gardens is excited about the June 21st celebration. She's going to pass out free passes.

Dusty said the RFC had annual float trip last Friday and everyone had a good float. Still looking for members for RFC. Has been presented with trail connections opportunities in her new job. She thinks this is really important. Robert said he and Jamie met with Tillie and showed him the Master Plan. Tillie suggested that UTC should make presentation to all County Commissioners.

Jamie stated that they must articulate the benefits of trails. Positive impact with tourism. Robert said that UTC tends to forget other reasons for getting trails done. Dusty stated Fruita almost lost a trail opportunity because of some neighbors concerns. Fruita didn't back down. Jamie said that it's really important to get interested people on email list so they can attend public meetings.

There was no further public comment.

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm.