

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
245-0045**

**Urban Trails Committee
Minutes
December 15, 2004**

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm. Those present from the Committee were:

Diana Cort	Janet Hollingsworth	Tim Fry	Paul Darr
Bob Tallarico	Kent Leinbach	Craig Parker	

Also present were Shawn Cooper, Jody Kliska, Britt Smith, Tawnya Espinoza and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval of Minutes

The meeting date state October 2nd rather than November 9th. The incorrect date noted.

Craig/Kent. Motion passed.

Announcements

Paul to attend RFC 1/18 meeting. Tim explained to new members what they are to do when they attend the RFC meeting.

RFC retreat has been scheduled for 3/5 with social to follow.

Updated on clean up/BBQ.

Diana said MLT might be closing on easement before the end of the year at the east end of the valley.

There were no further announcements.

New Business - There was no new business.

Old Business - There was no old business.

Craig brought up Orchard between 29 & 29 ½ - City did work, repaved, restriped but bike lane is gone. Jody said it was County not City. Craig asked who he needs to talk with - Bill Taylor with the County.

Committee Updates

Tim reviewed new committee assignments. Kent, Craig and Diana – No Thoroughfare Wash. Bob and Paul – Redlands Canal. Judy and Denise – PR/Education.

Canal Banks – Robert has talked with Joe Stevens about trail between Renaissance and Trails West along the Redlands Water & Power. Letter sent to Greg Strong.

No Thoroughfare Wash – Kent said nothing to report.

Planning for New Trails – Group has met once since last meeting. Have put together game plan and action steps. Tim hasn't had time to follow up on his actions but will before next meeting. Bob has done some work on specifications. Has found some great websites and looking into other sources. Tim hopes group can continue to make progress during the holiday season.

Kent asked about 29 Road and when will it start. Jody and Shawn said working on now. Hope to have bridge section done by October 2006. He then asked about the Riverside Bypass. Told route chosen was southern.

Tim talked about bike lanes and bike riders on some roads riding wrong way in lane. Asked about using arrows. Etiquette signs would be beneficial.

Public Comment

Shawn talked about Gateway Committee. Horizon Drive/I-70 and 24 Road/I-70. Interesting thing being done on 24 Road – two small roundabouts. Still looking at pedestrian access on west side. Eventually area will have a light (in the future). Work to begin in 2005. Horizon will continue to have the two large walks on both sides. Mostly landscaping. Shawn to get a copy to members.

Jody said the City has spent UTC money on D Road. Shoulders from 31 Road to almost 32 Road. Engineers called her this year to see if she wanted shoulders on section they are working on. She said yes! Tunnel going away and putting in an overpass. Shawn asked if members have seen the map. Most haven't. Shawn will bring map to meeting.

Tawny Espinoza, Steps to a Healthy Community Grant – she explained what she does and wanted to hear what UTC actually does. UTC kept coming up at other meetings. Five year grant, currently in year two and have about a half a million \$ available for Mesa County. Tim asked what she needed from UTC and how UTC can help. She said she is looking for projects and hope to help UTC. She said still very new and hearing what other areas are doing.
(www.healtyus.gov)

Brit mentioned that there was a commuter study done to change commuter behavior.

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm.