

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
683-4333**

Urban Trails Committee

**Minutes
May 8, 2007**

Called to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by co-chair, Tim Fry. Those present from the Committee were:

Tim Fry
Lydia Reynolds
David Cooper

Paul Darr
Joe Moreng

Denise McGinnis
Steven Bliss

Also present were Bill Taylor, Shawn Cooper, Craig Robillard, Julie Sabin and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval of Minutes – Motion made to approve the minutes by Paul/Joe. Motion passed.

Announcements – Denise to attend RFC meeting. IGA float trip may be canceled, watch your email.

Old Business – Luncheon with City Council was informal discussion rather than generic. UTC and RFC gave updates on current projects. Hope meeting will help segue when canal meeting with City Council. Nice article in paper the next day.

Discussed what Paul put together – would like to get on City's strategic plan (especially when members leave). Tim will call Mayor. Want City to have something to go back to GVIC.

Joe asked if sacrificing other trails when working on canal banks.

Robert Traylor had looked into strips of land that no taxes are being collected on. He wanted City to figure out how to take on these strips. Need to create an alternate plan that would stand alone but don't want to take canal banks off the UTC Master Trail Plan Map.

LiveWell said they would be willing to help make canal bank trails happen.

Joe asked about paralleling a trail next to canal banks with ten feet. Feasible idea where property hasn't been developed along canals. Need direction from City and Planning as to where lines for trails should go.

Shawn said developers don't really have a problem with trails as long as it doesn't take away usable land. He also said that he and the Mayor had discussion regarding City being one of the largest shareholders.

There was no further old business.

New Business – Bike Festival on May 19th. Normally hand out brochures and explain what UTC does/is. Denise will be out of town. Event is 9am to noon. Tim interested but would like someone to help.

There was no further new business.

Committee Reports – No Thoroughfare Wash – Denise said still working on project. Mesa State students doing wetland study. In midst of meeting with homeowners to let know what's going on. UTC being kept in loop with the new bridges being installed. Will be putting shelf under bridge. Originally two bridges to cross wash – took one out to save money but now looking at two again. One property owner is being contacted, other holding off until further review of trail placement.

Paul stated that Old Spanish Trail group looking at trail down to crossing. Shawn said may be good visible project for UTC members to take on. (Put on agenda for next meeting).

Public Comment – Bill Taylor said Monument Road waiting for CDOT's final approval. Hoping to have tomorrow. There will be 4' shoulders on both sides all the way to the Monument entrance. Looking at about \$2 million price tag. Will start in June. Overlay to follow but may wait until next year. Expect lane closures through November. County's work on I Road will be a full road closure so County can knock hills down which will be causing problems for Tour of the Valley. July start date – about 90 days.

Craig talked about bike shoulders being "dirty". Lanes are terrible. Told to go to City website and "click" to fix it.

There was no further public comment.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.