

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
683-4333**

Urban Trails Committee

**Minutes
November 13, 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	Paul Darr	Denise McGinnis
Julie Sabin	Joe Moreng	Bill Grant
David Cooper	Mark Williams	

Also present were Shawn Cooper and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval of Minutes – Need to change West of 28 Road to west of 24 Road.
Paul/David.

Announcements –RFC – need someone to attend. No one able to so Michele will give report.

Discussed possible cancellation of December or moving to the Rock Slide.

Old Business – Letters to the Editor – Paul talked about letters in the paper regarding canal trails. Briefed on six letters (4 against, 1 for and 1 wants to sell recreational passes). Not sure if want to respond to each letter but should have something to have letters to editor. Each to bring a letter to the editor in support. Wants members to write as individuals and maybe one from UTC explaining what it's all about. Those opposed seem to be more pro-active. Need those in favor of trails on canal banks to be more pro-active. Paul asked if something UTC wants to pursue in the spring.

Bill suggested getting other players to the table to get them to write letters in support of canal trails. Have come to February meeting and see what happens. Suggestions of who to invite – bike shops, runners, COPMOBA, Western Colorado Congress and LiveWell.

Mark thinks need to have a trail to get support. Need to show need of support for concept of trails. Shawn said he sees a pilot trail quietly working in background – he said need community support for concept. Suggestions made to: show options when group at table and see where it goes; doing survey on trails of trails that aren't doable; grass roots and test trails.

Joe motioned to send out letter to survey merchants, groups, etc. on trails on canal banks. Paul stated he would rather see people during the survey than a letter. Bill G. suggested

members attend one of their meetings to make presentation. Joe withdrew motion. New motion made to prepare list of appropriate groups by next meeting so contact can be made at later date. David second. Motion passed.

Shawn suggested contacting KAFM for lunch time show to see if UTC could be on it.

Tim reiterated what was discussed and Shawn will find out who owns the triangle parcel. Shawn talked about connection to Canyonview Park. North side from Canyonview to I-70B would make a great connection. Group thanked Shawn for all his efforts.

UTC Master Plan – Moved to next month.

New Business – No new business.

Committee Reports – LNTFW – Denise talked about trail (2,500') being included in the Regional Trail grant. Have \$150,000 for cash match. County putting in bench at bridge which adds another \$40,000 for match. No property issues with recent redrawn trail.

LiveWell – Fall Challenge celebration on Saturday, October 27th at Bananas Fun Park from 10am to 1pm.

Public Comment – Jody talked about City's Comprehensive Plan being reviewed tonight (Two Rivers), tomorrow night (Pear Park) and Thursday (Canyon View Church) from 6pm to 9pm.

Mark added that need signs downtown similar to Boulders. Suggested sending Jody to Boulder to study signs.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.