

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT COMMISSION
683-4333**

Urban Trails Committee

**Minutes
October 9, 2012**

Called to Order

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

Julie Sabin	Keith Dickerson	Biz Collins
Dave Grossman	Ben Blom	Rosa Brey

Also present were Katie Steele with the Riverfront Commission (RFC), Jody Kliska with the City of Grand Junction and Michele Rohrbach.

Approval of Minutes – Dave/Keith. Motion passed.

Announcements – Keith is to attend the RFC meeting on 10/16 at 5:30pm. Intergovernmental Agency (IGA) meeting on 12/6 at 7:00am at BLM office.

Old Business –

Development Review – Craig was unable to attend. Will see if he will be able to attend next month.

Share the Road Task Force – They have final meeting on Friday. Currently gone to committee and will see what comes out at meeting on Friday.

Walking/Bicycle Summit – Scheduled for March 8, 2013 at Two Rivers Convention Center. Dan Burden with Walkable Communities is slated as keynote speaker. Budget is currently at about \$14,000. Topics will be health, recreation, economic and transportation. Rosa talked about the goal of the UTC Master Plan of connecting the urbanized area with outlying areas, could it be an opportunity to get input for the NCA and Canyonlands trails – perhaps have a booth at the summit. Next meeting on October 30th at 1:30pm at Regional Transportation Office. Working on getting Governor Hickenlooper to attend.

Grand Valley Bikes – Bike Rodeo finished today at Fruitvale. Will be at Chipeta in April. Working on another grant. 492 kids participated twice. Did train the trainer in September. Participated in cleanup on Public Lands Day in the Monument.

Riverfront – Katie said the RFC needs to have more interaction with UTC. She talked about new committees RFC is putting together. Julie spoke with Pete Firmin at State Parks down on Corn Lake with regards to the gravel section of trail. The State Parks really wants to keep it more natural. Will talk with Pete about paving section in Corn Lake.

Safety Ride – discussed City’s “Fix It” on website and having it tie into County and RFC’s website. Car traffic in left hand lane on Redlands Parkway by new section of trail – accident waiting to happen. Riverside trail could use a sharrow on Riverside Road. Lower No Thoroughfare Wash and black bollards – very dangerous, need reflective tape on them. Need to remark heaved trails. Need to include Jody in all future RFC safety info.

There was no further old business.

New Business –

Master Trail Plan meeting – Several of the new members met with Laura Luke and Bennett Boeschstein and Ken Simms to review the revised UTC Master Trail Plan. County is discussing moving up safe routes for kids since the School District has expanded the distance for kids walking/riding to school.

New members and reappointed members attended City Council meeting and mentioned the Summit and the date.

Tour of the Moon – Michele updated on the numbers and comments heard from riders.

North Avenue Overlay – Jody explained the proposed plan for east end and west end. Long term vision is to have bike lanes and sidewalks with landscaping and lane reconfiguration. Will be working with CDOT on the project. City applied for a little known grant and was awarded \$1.1 million for a “complete street” project. Will have to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with CDOT with work to begin in nine months to a year.

Discussed the work going on Horizon Drive and whether or not an opportunity for UTC to participate in their discussion.

Three Sisters Trail – thought would only complete a portion of the trail but completed the trail. Trail will need to set over the winter before people can ride.

Public Comment – There was no public present.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.