

METROPOLITAN PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes of February 13, 2007

Location: Parks and Recreation Admin Building, 1801 Fourth Street NW

Members Present: Donald H. Couchman, Chair; Sandra P. Richardson, Vice Chair; Robert W. Day; Joe M. Montano; Robert W. Wood; Jerry Worrall; Orlie Sedillo

Members Absent: None

City Staff Present: Jay Hart, PRD-Director; Jay Evans, PRD- Deputy Director; Colleen K. Frenz, DMD; Malia Tafoya – Board Secretary

Visitors: Darlene Couchman; Bill Nordin; Cliff Richardson; Carolyn Stewart; Frieda Worrall

1. Call to Order

Chair Couchman called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Introduction of Visitors and Guests

Visitors and guests listed above.

Approval of December Minutes

Chair Couchman stated the minutes are accepted by general consent.

Approval of Today's Agenda

Chair Couchman made a request to add Bosque Trails under unfinished business. Member Sedillo moved approval, Vice Chair Richardson seconded; the board unanimously approved the motion.

Announcements

Don Couchman announced:

- Recently Jerry Worrall was appointed for district one and Bob Day was reappointed for district seven.
- Committee of the Whole will be held Thursday in the Chambers.

Sandra Richardson announced:

- ABQRide Meeting: February 13, 6pm - Cherry Hills Library
- Upcoming Federal Highway Administration Pedestrian Safety Workshops: February 26-27 in Belen, NM; February 27-March 1 in Roswell, NM

2. General Public Testimony

None

3. Election of MPRAB officers for 2007

Member Sedillo moved to nominate Don Couchman as Chair; Member Wood seconded, the board unanimously approved the motion.

Member Sedillo moved to nominate Sandra Richardson as Vice Chair; Member Day seconded, the board unanimously approved the motion.

4. Staff Reports

Jay Hart discussed the 2007 G.O. Bond and reported on upcoming events and projects for Parks and Recreation.

Jay Evans made a request for the MPRAB to generate a letter of recognition and support of City efforts to plant community trees. Member Sedillo made a motion "that Jay craft a letter for the Chairman's signature stating that the board supports this"; Vice Chair Richardson seconded, the board unanimously approved the motion.

Bill Nordin, BFPB representative for MPRAB discussed Balloon Fiesta park use, park use fees, and upcoming events. Member Sedillo made a motion that Sams Club be advised that we would strongly appreciate their members redirect their exhaust or not run their generators, Member Richardson seconded; the board unanimously approved the motion.

Colleen Frenz gave a power point presentation on Balloon Fiesta Park Phase five improvements.

5. Unfinished Business

Vice Chair Richardson made a motion to extend the meeting for about 20 min., Member Wood seconded; the board unanimously approved the motion.

The board had a brief discussion regarding meeting time and place. Vice Chair Richardson made a motion "that we retain the location for the convenience of the staff and we begin the meeting at 4:00pm, Member Wood seconded; the board unanimously approved the motion.

6. New Business

Member Sedillo distributed and reviewed a handout regarding the Trails Liability bills. Member Richardson made a motion to support bills 486 and HB445 with a letter by the board, Member Sedillo seconded; the board unanimously approved the motion.

Next meeting March 13th, 2007, 4:00pm to 5:30 pm

Adjourn

Member Sedillo moved for adjournment, Vice Chair Richardson Seconded; meeting adjourned at 6:25pm.