



**CITY OF MANITOU SPRINGS
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING SUMMARY
Heritage Center – 517 Manitou Avenue
Monday, November 4, 2019, 6:00 pm**

I. CALL TO ORDER & ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEMBER OPENINGS

A Regular Meeting of the Manitou Springs Open Space Advisory Committee was held at the Heritage Center @ 517 Manitou Avenue. Chairman Maio called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm and declared a quorum present. The following Committee members attended:

PRESENT: Michael Maio, Chair
Nancy Wilson, Vice Chair
Shannon Solomon, Committee Member
Sue Graham, Committee Member
Anthony “TJ” Maltese, Committee Member
Gary Michels, Committee Member
Andrea Sutela, Alternate Committee Member
Amanda Taylor, Alternate Committee Member (left at 6:06 pm)

ABSENT: Sheryl Cline, Committee Member (excused)

STAFF: Dylan Becker, City Planner
Aaron Schultz, Project Coordinator

GUESTS: Cory Sutela, Medicine Wheel Trail Advocates
Steve Snyder, Archeologist

1. One Alternate needed.

The Committee discussed the need for an additional alternate.

II. INTRODUCTION TO NEW CITY ADMINISTRATOR – DENISE HOWELL

Chairperson Maio stated that Denise Howell, City Administrator, would not be able to attend.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. August 26, 2019

MOTION:

Committee Member Wilson moved to approve the August 26, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Open Space Advisory Committee as presented.

SECOND:

Committee Member Solomon seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION:

There was no discussion regarding the motion.

VOTE:

Motion passed 6-0.

IV. AGENDA REVIEW and PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was no Public Comment for the Committee to consider.

V. PARKS & REC ADVISORY BOARD (PARAB) UPDATE – Chris Grow and Tim Bresnahan

A representative from PARAB was not present to report.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. MAPS Roundtable -

The Committee acknowledged that Alternate committee member Taylor left the meeting to attend the MAPS roundtable and would report at the next meeting of the Open Space Advisory Committee.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Report Signage-S. Graham, N. Wilson; M. Maio, D. Becker and Kim Johnson - Dylan Becker, City Planner, presented the staff report dated October 25, 2019.

The Committee discussed signage options.

MOTION:

Vice Chair Wilson moved that the two-dimensional trail signage be undertaken by staff.

SECOND:

Committee member Solomon seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION:

There was no discussion regarding the motion.

VOTE:

The motion passed 6-0.

2. 2020 Budget-Subcommittee (N. Wilson, K. Johnson, D Becker and M Maio) Dylan Becker, City Planner, presented the staff report dated October 25, 2019.

The Committee discussed the budget and their priorities.

3. Report-Land Acquisitions and Donations-G. Michels, S. Solomon and M. Maio

A. Waldo Canyon Report- S. Solomon and M. Maio

Cory Sutela, Medicine Wheel Trail Advocates, provided an update regarding Waldo Canyon.

B. Acquisition/Donation Properties-S. Solomon and M. Maio

i. Kangaroo Campground

The Committee discussed the site and agreed that this parcel was not worth pursuing.

The Committee discusses whether other parcels could help achieve their goals in the area and to include specific parcels in discussion at the retreat.

ii. Peakview

Chairperson Maio stated that the Cavan Daly-McGrew tracts had been approved by the City Attorney

and would be placed on a future City Council agenda for approval.

The Committee discussed the goals of the POST Plan and priorities for the Intemann Trail and stairs.

4. Report Trail/Open Spaces Maintenance-T.J. Maltese, S. Solomon, N. Wilson, G. Michels and M. Maio

A. Intemann Trail Re-route

Chairperson Maio stated background information about the trail reroute. The Committee discussed the original purpose of the reroute and their goals for the trail.

Cory Sutela, Medicine Wheel Advocates, presented a proposal and inquired whether the Committee would entertain the idea.

The Committee discussed reclamation of the former trail, potential partners for reclamation, and when the Committee would need to approve a project.

The Committee discussed the desire to formalize and better structure contracts and memorandums of understanding for each project.

B. Creekwalk

Vice Chair Wilson provided an update on the Creekwalk project.

Vice Chair Wilson stated that the MAPS project would be discussing the Creekwalk trail through the western part of Manitou Springs.

5. Open Space Report

A. Update-Management Plans for Iron Mountain and Black Canyon Cultural Assets-S. Solomon and M. Maio, D. Becker (5 mins.)

Committee member Solomon stated that he had no news to report.

Chairperson Maio provided an update on the Black Canyon Cultural Assessment.

The Committee discussed the need for a retreat and potential dates. The Committee agreed to host a retreat on Monday, January 6, 2020 from 5:30 to 8:30 pm.

Chairperson Maio stated that he would not be present for the following meeting on December 6, 2020 and asked that Vice Chair Wilson chair the next meeting.

Becky Elder, Council Liaison, asked that OSAC be a partner in planting trees and growing the tree canopy in the City's open space.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business before the Committee, Chairperson Maio adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm.