

**MINUTES OF THE SANTA FE COUNTY
COUNTY OPEN LAND TRAILS AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (COLTPAC)
Nancy Rodriguez Community Center
1 Prairie Dog Loop, Santa Fe, NM 87507
Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 4:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Santa Fe County Open Land, Trails and Parks Advisory Committee (COLTPAC) was called to order on the above date at approximately 6:00 p.m. by Chair Rubén Cedeño in the Nancy Rodriguez Community Center, 1 Prairie Dog Loop, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call indicated the presence of a quorum as follows:

Members Present

Rubén Cedeño, Chair
Greg Betts
Jan Cohen [District 5]
Sandra Madrid Massengill
Sue Murphy [telephonically]
Jean Pike
Linda Siegel
Apple Snider [At-Large]
Matt Wagoner [District 4]

Members Absent/Excused

Staff Members Present

Maria Lohmann, Open Space/Trails Planner
Paul Olafson, Planning Projects Manager

Others Present

Carl Boaz, Stenographer
Lucy Foma, Facilitator

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Lohmann listed activities under Discussion and wrote them and others on the newsprint.

Member Siegel moved, seconded by Member Pike, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was approved on a unanimous (8-0) voice vote.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - March 6, 2019

Member Betts moved, seconded by Member Siegel, to approve the minutes of March 6, 2019 as amended. The motion was approved on a unanimous (8-0) voice vote.

5. MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN

There were no members of the public at the meeting.

6. MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY STAFF

There were no matters from County Staff.

7. ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

2019 Project Overview -

Ms. Lohmann showed the county commissioner districts map and listed all the parks, open spaces and trails of each District. She then described all the properties where projects are ongoing, including Los Potreros in Chimayo, Ortiz Mountains Open Space, Thornton Ranch Open Space, Madrid Greenbelt Open Space, San Pedro Open Space, Lamy Open Space and Park, Santa Fe River Trail, Santa Fe Rail Trail, Arroyo Hondo Trail , Pojoaque Valley Recreation Complex, Romero Park, Bennie J Chávez Community Center Park in Chimayo, Little Tesuque Creek Open Space, Los Caminitos Wilderness Open Space, El Peñasco Blanco Open Space, Talaya Hill Open Space, Arroyo Hondo Open Space and La Cieneguilla Open Space. She also described the Countywide Projects, dealing with a Parks and Recreation facility needs analysis, OSTP messaging to the public, the NM Central conceptual plan, the upcoming 20th anniversary celebration and Operations Policy Development.

The members experienced a team-building scenario in which roles were reversed for members to have a different focus and it was used to discuss the roles of COLTPAC. Out of the exercise, the group identified: Recommending Body, Objective consideration of issues, Providing best practices, Attending public forums, Gathering feedback from the public, as well as subject matter expertise and experience.

The Committee then identified strengths they observed among other members and Staff. They included commitment to the work, focus on mitigation, skills and experience in planning, trails expansion, communication ability, perspectives beyond the County, stewardship knowledge and collaboration.

Review Language and Protocols

The Committee spent time talking about the values and processes during the acquisition of property years. There was energy and focus. Shifting away from that protocol and identifying a new role was not easy.

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A. COLTPAC Roles under Resolution 2011-4

Ms. Lohmann wanted an atmosphere where everyone is comfortable with their comments. She hoped Staff have created that space for members to tell Staff the hard truths and asked if there was something more Staff could do to foster that. She needed to hear all the voices in the room to know how to do that without just checking boxes. We should be able to open ourselves and allow people to express themselves in different perspectives.

Member Snider wondered when Staff wants member expertise or experience shared. She noted she has a lot of experience with Juniper in the forest.

Ms. Lohmann asked everyone to remind Staff of those things that are important and suggested members ask, "Did you consider this?" and Staff can respond accordingly. Also, Staff will ask for the things we need from you or just your general impressions.

Member Pike suggested a possible role for the Committee could be to discuss policy issues such as whether multi-use trails are appropriate in Santa Fe County, or dogs and set aside time in a meeting to deal with that.

Ms. Lohmann thought so.

Mr. Olafson handed out a copy of the proposed COLTPAC duties that had current duties listed on the right said and proposed duties on the left side. He explained he was not looking for word smithing. He asked that members consider this for future consideration. Staff would make proposed revisions to bring back to the next meeting. Members could send emails to staff with those suggestions.

The Committee briefly discussed the policy recommendations.

Ms. Lohmann cautioned them about the proper communications protocol. Emails should only be sent to Staff and not to other members, which would result in a rolling quorum and is prohibited by the County's Open Meeting Policy.

9. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE

Chair Cedeño asked what Staff would like from the Committee.

Member Pike would like the Committee to be more proactive.

Mr. Olafson clarified that the Staff is here to help the Committee do its job. He committed to make things available to the members and them to all members in time to consider before the meeting and then to provide ample time to consider them at the meeting. Members can always call with questions. He would prefer to get those

questions prior to the meeting.

10. NEXT MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2019

Ms. Lohmann shared the proposed schedule for the meetings for the rest of the year. She said she would not be here in July, so she pushed the July meeting to August. In October, she hoped to have the management plans available to the Committee. She is also working on an annual report. She also relayed that Chair Cedeño and Member Siegel thought quarterly meetings were not often enough.

Member Siegel wanted a June meeting to talk about budget.

Member Cohen said feeding documents to the members in between would help.

The Committee and Staff agreed to meet next on June 5, 2019.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Member Massengill moved, seconded by Member Pike, to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Approved by:

Rubén S. Cedeño

Rubén Cedeño, Chair

Submitted by:

Carl Boaz

Carl Boaz for Carl G. Boaz, Inc.

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