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Memorandum

DATE: Tuesday, January 29, 2019
TO: Planning Commission
FROM: Dylan W. Becker, Planner I
RE: OSAC Meeting Summary (Meeting Date: 6:30 – 8:30 PM on January 28, 2019)

Meeting Date: January 28, 2019

Meeting Time: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Attended By:	Michael Maio	OSAC Chair
	Sheryl Cline	OSAC Secretary
	Gary Michels	OSAC Member
	Sue Graham	OSAC Member
	Shannon Solomon	OSAC Member
	Che Freeman	OSAC Member
	Kimberly Johnson	Planning Director
	Dylan Becker	Planner I, Staff Liaison

Absent:	Nancy Wilson	OSAC Vice Chair
	Becky Elder	City Council Liaison

Guests:	Candice Hall	Palmer Land Trust
	Dave Conley	Palmer Land Trust
	Tim Bresnahan	PARAB Member and Liaison
	Christina Grow	PARAB Member and Liaison
	Carol Beckman	Friends of the Peak

Approval of Minutes:

- **November 26, 2019 – Regular Meeting**

MOTION: Committee Member Cline moved to approve the November 26, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes of the Open Space Advisory Committee with the following amendments:

1. Page 1, Old Business, No. 1, Line 5 – Amend “I” to “Nancy”
2. Page 1, Old Business, No. 1, Line 6 – Amend “Iron” to “Sheep”

SECOND: Committee Member Freeman seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion Passed, 3-0. Committee Member Freeman and Committee Member Solomon abstained as they were not present for the November 26, 2019 Regular Meeting.

- **January 12, 2019 – Retreat**

MOTION: Committee Member Solomon moved to approve the January 12, 2019 Retreat Minutes of the Open Space Advisory Committee with the following amendments:

1. Page 1, Header – Amend “Agenda” to “Minutes”

SECOND: Committee Member Michels seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion Passed, 5-0. Committee Member Graham abstained as she was not present for the November 26, 2019 Regular Meeting.

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Update:

Christina Grow and Tim Bresnahan stated PARAB had recently performed survey work on the City’s park system and were moving forward with an Urban Forestry Management Plan. The PARAB liaisons also stated the board was interested in redeveloping the west end of Soda Springs Park. The liaisons also mentioned the desire to develop two new pocket parks in the City; one near the east entrance to the City and one located where the Ute Chief Gusher was once located.

New Business:

1. **Waldo Canyon Report** – Committee Member Freeman attended the Waldo Canyon Community Meeting and presented OSAC with a handout pertaining to what was said and a list of items to consider as the plan is developed.
2. **Rainbow Falls** – OSAC announced it had received an email from the Manitou Citizens Group which stated Rainbow Falls had been cleaned of all graffiti and had remained clean for the previous two weeks.
3. **Expiring Positions in OSAC** – OSAC Chair, Michael Maio, reminded Committee Members Graham, Wilson, and Cline their terms were about to expire at the end of March and encouraged them to sign up again.

Old Business:

1. **Review of proposed Ordinance regarding the administration of BCC** – OSAC Chair, Michael Maio, instructed the Board Members to review the document and submit any comments to him regarding the Ordinance by February 14, 2019.
2. **Land Acquisitions and Donations** – The OSAC Land Acquisitions Sub-Committee had met and determined there were several properties which were of high priority in terms of

acquisition and lessening the impact of potential development located near the Peakview neighborhood and the Manitou Springs Middle School. An EPC Assessor's Map was presented which delineated those priority properties.

3. **Trail and Open Space Maintenance** – Carol Beckman, member of Friends of the Peak, gave a brief presentation and discussion regarding noxious weed removal. Ms. Beckman stated the best method was to pull noxious weeds by hand, trying to remove most of the root, with a follow-up involving reseeding two weeks later. OSAC Chair, Michael Maio, presented price quotes for noxious weed removal from CJ Runge at the Mile High Youth Corps.

MOTION: Committee Member Solomon moved to approve a contract with the Mile High Youth Corps to remove noxious and invasive weeds for a thirty hour (30 hr.), three (3) day period, not to exceed \$4,200.00 subject to Staff review of procurement policies.

SECOND: Committee Member Graham seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed, 5-1. Committee Member Michels voted against the motion stating he felt it was too early in the season to begin noxious weed removal.

OSAC also discussed moving forward with planning for a reroute of the Intemann Trail and the removal/restoration of an unsustainable stair section on the trail. It was determined site visits with the proposed reroute flagged and the development of a plan for restoration. It was decided Committee Member Solomon would make contact with Shanti Toll of the volunteer group, Manitou Cats, to begin this process.

MOTION: Committee Member Freeman moved to commit to completing a project for the relocation of Intemann Trail, the removal of the stair section on the trail, the closure of the existing trail, and to provide trail access to the residents along Midland Avenue subject to Staff review of procurement policies.

SECOND: Committee Member Solomon seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Motion passed, 6-0.

4. **Trail Signage Report** – Committee Member Graham stated she was working with a local sign designer to determine costs and designs for new signage. It was determined further information and discussion was needed prior to moving forward as location and sign types had not been determined. Planning Director, Kimberly Johnson, recommended the Committee contact the US Forest Service to see if there was any possibility of partnership in this endeavor.
5. **Iron Mountain Management Plan** – Dylan Becker, Planner I, informed OSAC he had drafted an RFP which had been reviewed by Kimberly Johnson, Planning Director. Candice Hall from the Palmer Land Trust made suggestions regarding how to update the

Iron Mountain Land Management Plan. It was determined the Committee would review and discuss the current Land Management Plan to determine whether or not the updates could be performed in house.

6. ***Black Canyon Cultural Assessment*** - Dylan Becker, Planner I, informed OSAC he had drafted an RFP which had been reviewed by Kimberly Johnson, Planning Director. Candice Hall from the Palmer Land Trust stated she would send any reports which they had from the annual monitoring of the Open Spaces in which they held conservation easements..