



June 4, 2015

Notice of Public Meeting Section 7.62
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE
Fort Lowell Restoration Advisory Committee

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the **Fort Lowell Restoration Advisory Committee** and to the general public that the **Fort Lowell Restoration Advisory Committee** will hold a meeting open to the public on **Thursday, June 4, 2015, at 5:00 p.m.**, at the **San Pedro Chapel Conference Room, 5230 East Fort Lowell Road, Tucson, Arizona 85712**. Public comment will be taken. The Chair reserves the right to set the order of the agenda. The Committee will discuss and may take action on the following matters.

AGENDA & MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order at 5:12 p.m. A quorum of the Committee was present for the meeting. Those in attendance (and signed in) were:

Elaine Hill (Acting Committee Chair)
Patsy Waterfall (Committee Member)
Frank McClure (Committee Member)
Peggy Sackheim (Committee Member)
Linda Mayro (Pima County)
Loy Neff (Pima County)
Gary Campbell (Pima County)
Glenna Overstreet (City of Tucson)
Jennifer Levstik (City of Tucson)
Midge Irwin (City of Tucson)
Peg Weber (City of Tucson)
Jon Mirto (Poster Frost Mirto)
Bill Anderson (OFLNA)
Janet Marcus (OFLNA)

2. Review of meeting minutes: July 9, 2014 meeting (Action)

Patsy Waterfall moved to approve the minutes of the July 9 meeting. Frank McClure seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Work Plan: Project Status Reports

a. COT Project Status Update

i. HAWK update

Midge Irwin introduced the new City Eastern Parks Division Administrator, Glenna Overstreet, and then provided a summary of the RTA-approved HAWK project status. Design is complete, but the project schedule has changed because of modifications to the bid package. The bid package has not been released, yet, but will be soon, with several crossing projects combined in a single bid package. Midge believes the Fort Lowell HAWK at Craycroft will receive priority once the contract is awarded, with construction beginning hopefully in September 2015. The contract will require completion of all projects within 60 days of issuance of Notice to Proceed. COT has installed new sidewalk along the west side of Craycroft, which will connect the HAWK with East San

Francisco Boulevard, to the south. Decorative wrought iron fence, with a gate, has been installed at the HAWK location to allow vehicle access from Craycroft Road and the fence has been extended to the west on the north side of the Officers Quarters, as planned.

ii. No other updates.

b. County Project Status Update: Construction update and project progress report

i. Completion of the 2004 Bond project at the Adkins Parcels. In a brief general discussion, Jon Mirto, Gary Campbell, and Linda Mayro summarized the completion of the Adkins Parcel Preservation Plan Implementation. Exterior rehabilitation work is complete on all three Officers Quarters along with site grading, some fencing, lighting, and path work. Loy Neff commented that the archaeological monitoring report documenting monitoring results from the project is also complete and the final report has been submitted. Some discussion of unexpended project funds led to the discussion of a cooperative effort between City and County to construct a parking lot (see New Business).

ii. No other updates.

4. New business.

a. City-County cooperative effort to construct a parking lot

Jennifer Levstik conveyed the good news that the City has access to funds that could be used to construct portions of a parking lot to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). This would include paved and curbed parking spaces, accessible pathways to provide access to the Officers Quarters, and curbing and entry work to provide access from Fort Lowell Road. Linda Mayro and Gary Campbell reported that the various County project budgets have been scrubbed, and although some County money needs to be set aside to support connecting irrigation water across Craycroft during the HAWK construction, there are funds available to construct the rest of a small parking lot around and adjacent to the ADA-compliant portions. Several conditions restrict expenditures for both, so the best way to accomplish this goal is to build the different parking lot sections as separate, but parallel City and County projects. Jon Mirto discussed some technical issues of adapting existing designs to this approach and also addressed questions about City permitting required, but all were of the opinion that this long sought goal can be accomplished. City and County agreed to move forward with the cooperative plan.

b. 2015 Bond election and future bond project

Loy Neff briefly summarized the history of the City-County cooperative project, spanning 10 years marked by milestones like the acquisition and the long cleanup process beginning in 2005-2006, the first Advisory Committee meeting (at Peggy Sackheim's house) in August, 2007, the Master Planning process culminating in the Advisory Committee's recommendation in 2009 to the City Mayor and Council and County Board of Supervisors to approve the Fort Lowell Master Plan and the Adkins Parcels Preservation Plan. During this time various City and County projects onsite were done in orderly rotation to prepare for the rehabilitation work, like the City's massive soil remediation project and the County's demolition and removal of several noncontributing buildings and structures from the area of the original Fort Parade Grounds. The project finally moved to the design stage and implemented construction of the Preservation Plan at the Officers Quarters. Loy thanked everyone on the Project Team and congratulated them on the accomplishments made possible by working together so closely for so long. He called for a redirection of this energy to the upcoming 2015 bond election and similar levels of intensity, focus, and perseverance in working to make the new bond election successful. Loy noted that the County role in this phase would change, by law, from active project proponent to neutral information source. He encouraged the Advisory Committee members and Project Team to work together to help make the election successful so that a new Fort Lowell project can continue the work of implementing the Master Plan. For the present, the current Fort Lowell Advisory Committee will go on hiatus and its meeting schedule will go to intermittent status. Loy will periodically update

the Team with the latest developments throughout the coming months. The option of meeting remains open; for example, there may be a meeting called as the parking lot project moves forward. If the 2015 election supports a new bond project, the project team can be reconstituted and those willing and able to participate can join the group effort to do it all over again.

5. Call to the public

Linda Mayro presented the Advisory Committee with a framed copy of the 2015 Governor's Preservation Award, a prestigious award presented at the recent Arizona State Historic Preservation Conference by the Arizona State Historic Preservation Officer to honor the accomplishments of the Fort Lowell project.

6. Schedule for the next meeting.

No objections were raised to the proposed intermittent schedule for future meetings.

7. Meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

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Dated this 1 day of June, 2015