

**Minutes of the Fort Lowell Restoration Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**5230 E. Fort Lowell Road, Tucson, Arizona 85712**  
**July 9, 2008 5:00 p.m.**

1. **Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 5:08 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum declared. Those in attendance were:

Larry Hecker, Committee Chair  
Frank McClure, Committee Member  
Peggy Sackheim, Committee Member  
Patsy Waterfall, Committee Member  
Jim Conroy, City of Tucson  
Jonathan Mabry, City of Tucson  
Norma Stevens, City of Tucson  
Loy Neff, Pima County  
Simon Herbert, Pima County  
Drew Gorski, Poster Frost Assoc.

2. **Review of the June 11, 2008 minutes (ACTION)**

Peggy Sackheim moved that the minutes of the June 11, 2008 meeting be accepted; seconded by Patsy Waterfall and passed unanimously.

3. **Work Plan: Project Status Reports**

a. **COT, Project Status Updates**

i. **Annexation of Adkins Parcels into Fort Lowell Historic District**

Jonathan Mabry, City of Tucson Historic Preservation Office, reported that Peggy Sackheim and Elaine Hill met with Councilman Rodney Glassman, Ward 2, on June 27. Glassman had forwarded a memo to Albert Elias, Director, Urban Planning and Design, requesting the required pre-application hearing to begin the rezoning process.

ii. **Environmental Cleanup – Brownfields Cleanup Grant update**

Jim Conroy, City of Tucson Parks and Recreation, reported for Lynne Birkinbine of Environmental Services. The City is continuing to pursue the EPA \$200,000 Brownfields grant and ES is gathering the necessary documentation. To facilitate that grant the amount of soil contamination needing to be cleaned up and the types of materials contained in the soil must be determined. The Tucson Pima County Historical Commission announced that they will provide a letter endorsing the EPA grant. Conroy anticipated that the guidelines for the grant will be released in August and the due date would probably be November, 2008. Generally grants are awarded in May the following year and funded in August/September of 2009.

iii. **Boundary survey**

Jim Conroy, City of Tucson Parks and Recreation, reported that the survey for the Adkins property will be done by S&S Survey in the next month or so at a cost of \$2,600. Already in possession is a survey of the commissary apartments; however, the survey of the remaining 58 acres of the City parcel was estimated at \$17,400. Going back to 1984 when the City purchased the property from the County, using legal descriptions and earlier surveys of various sections of the park, attempts are being made to piece together as much comprehensive information as possible. Results will be passed on to Poster Frost.

**iv. Apache bronze status update**

Jonathan Mabry suggested that the statue not be a stand-alone agenda item, as the topic is more correctly “Native American consultations on the Master Plan.” Mabry reviewed the proposal submitted by John Welch for the consultation process with the Apache tribes about the master plan, including the concept of a statue as a possible element. Welch was not given a written scope of work but had done a good job with the information he had. Mabry, the county, and Poster Frost Associates are currently working on writing the scope of work for Dr. Welch.

**v. Other COT updates** – there were none.

**b. County, Project Status Updates:**

**i. County updates**

Loy Neff apologized for the lack of progress on the Cultural Resources website as a means of providing a public forum for updates on the master plan progress. Future plans include an interactive master plan comment line.

**c. Poster Frost Associates (PFA), Master Plan Status Updates**

**i. Project update**

Drew Gorski reminded the members that the first public meeting had tentatively been set for September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6-8 p.m. at the Udall Park Center.

**ii. Visioning Workshop**

Notes from this workshop, attended by around 35 people, had been distributed to members. Gorski shared that results of the visioning workshop included the defining of some evaluation criteria submitted by the public. Gorski distributed a handout of “project goals” and members took a few minutes to read it over.

**iii. Other Master Plan updates** – there were none.

**4. New Business**

**a. PFA – Fort Lowell Master Plan (ACTION)**

Patsy Waterfall moved that the first public meeting be set for September 3, 2008, 6-8 p.m. at the Udall Senior Center; seconded by Peggy Sackheim and passed unanimously.

**b. COT Environmental Cleanup**

Covered under 3a.ii.

**c. Other new business** – there was none.

**5. Call to the public**

Bill Anderson received a suggestion that the neighborhood/San Pedro Chapel be represented at the Fort Lowell Soccer Shootout as a way of getting the community involved. Anderson plans to approach the Old Fort Lowell Neighborhood at their meeting in August and suggested that a representative from this committee attend.

**6. Items for next meeting**

Next meeting will be held on August 13, 2008.

**7. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.