

**Pima County Bond Advisory Committee
Meeting**

**Manning House
450 West Paseo Redondo
Friday January 18, 2008
8:00 a.m.**

SUMMARY OF MEETING

The following is a summary of the January 18, 2008 meeting.

Committee Members Present

Larry Hecker, Chair
Carolyn Campbell, Vice Chair
Pete Delgado
Robert Davis
Gary Davidson
Paul Diaz
Rene Gastelum
Jesus Gomez
Kelly Gomez
Byron Howard
A.C. Marriotti
Rick Myers
John Neis
Ted Prezelski
Patty Richardson
Chris Sheafe
Thomas Six
Tom Warne

Committee Members Absent

Peter Backus
Terri Hutts
David Lyons
Wade McLean
Dan Sullivan
Greg Wexler

1. Welcome

Meeting began at 8:10 a.m. with a quorum.

2. Approval of Meeting Summary

The meeting summary from the January 4, 2007 meeting was approved 17-0.

3. Future Bond Election: Presentations

Note that the presentations will be available on the County's bond web site at www.bonds.pima.gov/future.

A. Conservation Acquisition Bond Program

Bill Roe, Chairman of the Conservation Acquisition Commission and Nicole Fyffe, Manager of the Conservation Acquisition Bond Program, summarized the successes of the current program as well as the continued needs, and presented the recommendations from the Conservation Acquisition Commission for continued funding of the program at an amount of \$285 million. Jon Rowley, former owner and current manager of the County's Rancho Seco property spoke about his experience selling his ranch to the County and continuing that relationship as the manager of the property.

Byron Howard asked about whether there was a conflict with areas the County would like to conserve and the two new State Trust land development planning areas in the southeast and north of Oro Valley. Ms. Fyffe responded that the area being planned for development in the southeast was outside of the areas the County would like to conserve, and therefore suitable from that standpoint for development. As for the area north of Oro Valley, the proposed plan does conform to the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, and the County will continue to work with the State Land Department to make sure it is implemented as planned.

The County's ranch management agreements were discussed in more detail.

Chris Sheafe and Tom Warne questioned why the County hasn't purchased more conservation easements, versus outright purchases, like in the Northwest and New Jersey. Mr. Roe replied that the County does discuss conservation easements as an option with sellers, but that to date, the majority have chosen to sell the property outright instead.

The following members of the public spoke in support of the proposal to continue the program: Liz Peterson, Marcus Jernigan, Peter Chesson, Brian Flagg, Scott Wilbor, David Bertelsen, Peggy Wenrick, Richard Calabro, Jason Meininger, Acasia Berry, Matt Clark, Kathie Schroeder, Ron, Barry, Jim Jordan, John Pilger, Rich Richey, Bill Adamson, William Crosby, Diana Rhoades, Lynsey Gould, and Carl Jones.

Bryon Howard requested that those in the audience in favor of holding the bond election in 2008 versus 2009 raise their hands, and the majority did.

B. Davis-Monthan Open Space Bond Program

Dr. William Carrell, Chairman of the Davis-Monthan Open Space Bond Committee presented a summary of the successes of the program to date, the process involved in identifying and acquiring properties, and recommended another \$10 million to continue the program. There were many questions for the Bond Committee members about how the program worked, zoning issues, future plans for the base, etc.

C. Cultural Resources and Historic Preservation Bond Program

Due to time constraints, it was decided that Linda Mayro, Cultural Resources Manager for the County, would present the proposed Cultural Resources and Historic

Preservation bond projects at a later meeting, and instead the Committee heard comments from the audience on this topic.

Please note that the presentation will instead be heard on March 1, 2008 with Libraries and Community Facilities projects.

The following members of the public spoke in support of various projects. As requested by the Chairman, the date next to the name reflects whether the speaker supported the bond election in 2008 versus 2009.

Jonathan Kelley (read by Ted Notz), HP 109 Vail Post Office

Elizabeth Webb, HP 109 Vail Post Office, 2008

Rebecca Manoleas (read letter from Calvin Baker), HP 109 Vail Post Office, 2008

Carmen Mayer, HP 109 Vail Post Office, 2008

J.J. Lamb, HP 109 Vail Post Office, 2008

Dee Pfeiffer, HP 109 Vail Post Office, 2008

Bill Allen, HP 109 Vail Post Office, 2008

Father Pinto and Mr. Ralph Lares, HP124 Historic Pima County Churches, 2008

Scott Nelson (Oro Valley), HP110 and HP111 Steam Pump Ranch and Honey Bee Village

5. Call to the Audience

No one in the audience spoke at this time.

6. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting Adjourned at 11:16 a.m.