

PIMA COUNTY CONSERVATION ACQUISITION COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA

MANNING HOUSE

450 WEST PASEO REDONDO

THURSDAY JUNE 23, 2005

3:00 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

1. Roll Call

Unfinished Business

2. Conservation Easements Fact Sheet (5 minutes)

Discussion.

3. Critical Landscape Linkages (20 minutes)

Updates from Staff. Discussion.

- A. Catalina/Tortolita connection across Oracle
- B. Avra I-10 connection across I-10
- C. Garcia Strip connection across CAP canal

4. Conservation Opportunities Northwest of Arthur Pack Park (10 minutes)

Update from Staff. Discussion.

New Business

5. Approval of April 21, 2005 Meeting Summary

6. Update on 1997/2004 Conservation Bond Program Expenditures to Date

7. Acquisition of Tucson Mountain Park South Corridor Properties

(25 minutes)

2004 Open Space Bond Category: Community Open Space Parcels – Tucson Mountain Park South Corridor. This project area is located south of Ajo Highway and west of Mission Rd. Staff recommends approval of the Heater/Mejo LLC parcel, the Berard parcel, and the Hyntington parcel. Background materials will be provided to the Commission at least 5 calendar days before the meeting.

- A. Staff report on South Corridor, 36th St. Corridor, and Tumamoc Hill/A-Mountain Corridor
- B. Heater/Mejo LLC – \$990,000 for 50 acres (\$19,800/ac)
- C. Berard – \$81,000 for 7 acres (\$11,500/ac)
- D. Hyntington - \$68,000 for 3.6 acres (\$18,900 an ac)

8. Acquisition of Poteet Property – \$275,000 for 83 acres (\$3,300/ac)

(15 minutes)

2004 Open Space Bond Category: Secondary Priority Private Habitat Protection Priority – Southeast Corridor Sub Area. This property is located at the southern end of the

Rincon Mountains, along Agua Verde Creek. Staff recommends approval of this acquisition. Background materials will be provided to the Commission at least 5 calendar days before the meeting.

9. Potential Acquisitions - Town of Sahuarita Jurisdictional Open Space Category (10 Minutes)

*Presentation by Suzanne Shields, Director of the Flood Control District.
Staff recommends continuing due diligence for these properties.*

10. Application for the Sale of Open Space to Pima County (5 minutes)

Double X Ranch – Property NOT included in the 2004 Bond Ordinance. Property is located in Pima and Cochise Counties, mostly north of Interstate 10, and includes 800 acres of fee lands and 11,000 acres of State grazing leases. Staff does not recommend acquisition of the property with bond funds, but would support additional consideration of acquisition with non-bond funds if and when such funds become available. Background materials will be provided to the Commission at least 5 calendar days before the meeting.

11. Updates: (30 minutes)

- Canoa Ranch acquisitions
- Bar V Ranch (*Purchased February 17, 2005*)
- King98 (*Purchased March 18, 2005*)
- Rancho Seco (*Purchased May 19, 2005*)
- Carpenter Ranch (*Commission recommended due diligence*)
- Camino de Oeste Project Area (*Commission recommended due diligence on certain parcels*)
- Belvedere (*Commission/Board of Supervisors approved purchase*)
- Madera Highlands (*Commission/Board of Supervisors approved purchase*)
- Diocese Parcel – Los Morteros (*Commission/Board of Supervisors approved purchase via auction process*)
- Habitat for Humanity property
- Green Valley Hills
- Federal Land Exchange involving Tumamoc Hill
- Resolution Copper Exchange
- Proposed Development Activities on Bond Parcels

12. Next Commission meeting: July 21, 2005

Suggested agenda items for the July 21, 2005 meeting will be distributed to Commissioners before the meeting. At the July 21 meeting, it will be determined whether there is a need for the August 11 meeting.

13. Call to the Public

14. Adjournment