

**Minutes
Apache Boulevard Project Area Committee
April 14, 2008**

Minutes of the Apache Boulevard Project Area Committee meeting held on April 14, 2008, from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., at the City of Tempe Escalante Community Center.

Members Present:

Phil Amorosi
Ed Andrews
Jim Brewer
Charles Buss
Martin Godusi
David Johnson
Pen Johnson
Carol McDaniels
Chris McKee
Brian Martin
Gretchen Reinhardt
John Toliver
Pen Johnson

Members Absent:

Pete DeMott
Ray Devine
Jeff Hansen
Don Hoots
Irving/Esther Kozinets
Kevin Olsen
Bob Stafford

City Staff:

Heidi Graham– Community Development
Mike Anaya – Community Development

Other Staff:

Dawn Coomer, LRT
Don Yennie, Police Dept.

Guests Present (Presentation):

Tom Wilhite – Engineering
Bob Pohlit – Parks & Recreation

Other Guests:

Meeting convened at 4:05 P.M.
Phil Amorosi called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 - Consideration of Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2008 Meeting Minutes – Approved, 1 abstention

Q&A/Comments –

Agenda Item 2 – Announcements/Questions

Phil Amorosi

- Regarding APAC going away after December 2008, Phil asked that the membership forward a summary of their thoughts and experiences.
- Ground breaking of the Park & Ride on Apache and McClintock, there was good membership attendance.
- Don Yennie is the acting Commander until the 26th of May. Commander Bob Gage will be taking over after the 26th. The new Beat Sergeant is Liz Lenzen.

Heidi Graham

- Open House for the Station Area Planning Document May 20th, at the Apache Blvd PD Substation. Once it is completed, it will be made available for review online.
- Campus Edge will be breaking ground in 2-4 weeks.

Q&A/Comments – Any plans for the parcel next to Campus Edge? – *Yes there is a student housing project – the Retreat @ 1000 Apache.*

Have you heard of any plans for the former Pappas School location? – *No, we have not heard anything yet.*

The RFP is out for the former ACME Location development (8th and Rural Road)

Agenda Item 3 – Bob Pohlit, City of Tempe Parks and Recreation – Update on Esquer Park

Introduction

- 6 months to completion
- Sprinkler system
- Waiting to cut sod – possibly first week of May. Issue is sod overseeded with rye grass.
- Have a way to go with completion of the skate park and frontage along McArthur.
- The majority of the park is complete – benches, play structures are waiting to be installed.
- Esquer Park will be one of the most well-lit parks in Tempe.
- U-Haul owns the parcel to the south of the park and still wants to build a single story storage facility.

Q&A/Comments – Isn't the U-Haul parcel zoned for mixed use commercial? –

The use proposed for the new building is not allowed within the TOD. This is a corporate U-Haul location, not a franchise.

Which parks will be renovated in the near future? – *Hudson Park will go out to bid this week. Hallman and Daley Parks are in the process of negotiations for renovations. In July, selection of designers will take place for Goodwin, Scutter, and SVOB Parks. Once selected, we will start construction documents (around December).*

The Committee's next meeting will be Monday, May 12th, 2008 at the Escalante Community Center – Brio/Bravo Rooms.

The following meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 9th, 2008 at the Escalante Community Center – Brio/Bravo Rooms.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Prepared by Mike Anaya

Authorized Signature
Heidi Graham, Senior Planner