

Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control and Greenway District  
Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 5, 2016 – 1:00 PM

1. Call to Order and Introductions: The meeting was held at Fountain City Hall, 116 S. Main Street, Fountain, Colorado. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m.

Joan Armstrong	Pueblo County Planning & Development
Jeff Bailey	City of Pueblo, Stormwater
John Chavez	El Paso County, Stormwater
Pat Coffee	Pueblo County Engineering
Peter Galusky	PPACG
Duane Greenwood	City of Fountain, City Engineer
Nancy Keller	City of Pueblo, Water Quality
Greg Langer	NRCS
Brian Mihlbachler	USAF Academy
Robert Miner	At Large, Palmer Lake
Mark Shea	Colorado Springs Utilities, Watershed Planning

Others in Attendance:

- Larry Small, Executive Director, Watershed Board of Directors
- Jeff Besse, Colorado Springs Engineering
- Jeff Rice, El Paso County Engineering
- Steve Rothstein, The Greenway Fund
- Joseph Rasmussen, Colorado Springs Utilities
- Dan Bare, Matrix Design Group
- Barbara Biggs, CDM Smith
- Chris Tagert, Michael Baker International
- Lucas Babbitt, Michael Baker International
- Brian Murphy, CDM Smith

2. Approve Agenda: A motion was made by John Chavez to approve the agenda of the October 5th meeting with the addition of updates in the report section (5.e.v) to add in the Pueblo Levee dredging and Masciantonio project, seconded by Pat Coffee, approved by unanimous vote.

3. Approved Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes with the addition of “campaign has started.” Under Section 9 of the September 7th meeting, was made by Duane Greenwood, seconded by Nancy Keller, and approved by unanimous vote.

4. Presentations - none

5. Reports

- a. The Governing Board met a week early on September 16. The land use application for the Hanna Ranch Diversion Structure was approved with the condition that 90% design

plans were to go before the TAC in December. The project can't go to construction until it has gone through the CAG and TAC.

- b. The CAG meeting centered around a discussion of Creek Week. All nine participants in the Fountain Creek District plus Woodland Park gave resolutions of support. It is believed that 2000 took part. The TAC had discussion on how to promote cleanups beyond the Creek Week time frame.
- c. The Monetary Mitigation Committee received additional details on the Masciantonio project from Matrix. The 2017 budget for the district and the authority were reviewed. It will be presented to the TAC at a future date.
- d. AFCURE – Mark Shea had a meeting last week of stakeholders regarding the e coli watershed plan. They are attempting to get a handle on the up-coming sampling. John Chavez offered to share the sampling plan prepared by El Paso County. Next stakeholders meeting is October 17.
- e. Projects Updates:
  - i. The Monument Creek Restoration Master Plan is complete. The final draft will be ready for review by October 10. The stakeholders meeting is scheduled for October 20 and it will be presented to the District Board on October 28. The plan is to take the 204 projects and prioritize the top 40. The top 10 projects will have a design and cost associated with them.
  - ii. Evaluation of Flood Control Alternatives – a dam was looked at along with alternative dam sites. Site detention consisting of 10 sites was also looked at. It is hard to find sufficient area to accommodate all 10 sites. Survey work will be done and the project tentatively should be finalized in January.
  - iii. WARSSS – 200 miles of creek bank have been assessed and 215 issues identified and prioritized. 17 have been identified as high priority and they will be looking at the top 5 this month and will bring them to the TAC in November. Highway 47 Bridge over the Fountain was added in and will be brought to the Monetary Mitigation Committee. Larry Small has been talking to CDOT.
  - iv. District Drainage Criteria Manual & Floodplain Policy – Dan Bare with Matrix provided a handout regarding 24-hour design storm/50% quartile. Michael Baker International representatives gave a handout on floodplain administration and policy issues. Some discussion was had on No Adverse Impact floodplain management. They outlined options for implementation.
  - v. The District enterprise and Pueblo Stormwater enterprise reached an agreement on the Pueblo Levee dredging. A statement of work was prepared by Matrix. The scope includes dredging the channel from 8<sup>th</sup> Street to the confluence with the Arkansas (1.6 miles). This will restore the levee design capacity, remove vegetation along the east bank and, possibly, remove the railroad bridge piers. Larry will get with CDOT to see if there is a possibility of combining this project with the Highway 47 project.

- vi. The Masciantonio project has been assessed. Three options, all involving rechanneling the creek, are being looked at.

6. New Business

- a. The TAC discussed its project review process. The question was asked at what point in design should the TAC become involved. Larry Small will furnish TAC members with his criteria for 30% plans. Colorado Springs is also working on a process. The TAC wants to make meaningful recommendations without holding up projects. Further discussion will need to be had to determine what will work well for all involved.

7. Old Business - none

8. Future Business – Future presentations will be brief.

9. Public Comment - none

10. The next meeting will be held on November 2nd 2016 at 1:00 pm at Fountain City Hall.

11. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bob Miner, seconded by John Chavez, approved by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 3:37 pm.