SANTA FE COUNTY COUNTY OPEN LAND AND TRAILS PLANNING AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE (COLTPAC)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2009, 6:00 p.m.

Santa Fe County Community Services Department 901 West Alameda Santa Fe, NM 87501

Meeting Minutes

- I. Meeting Called to Order by Beth Mills
 - A. Roll Call
 - **B.** Attendees and Introductions
 - 1. Members Present
 - a. Sandra Massengill
 - b. Jerry Rogers
 - c. Scott Stovall
 - d. Brent Bonwell
 - e. Todd Brown
 - f. Martin Gabaldon
 - g. Sam Pallin
 - h. Matthew McQueen
 - i. Jan Willem Jansens
 - j. Judy McGowan Alternate
 - k. Jack Frost Alternate
 - 2. County Staff
 - a. Colleen Baker
 - b. Beth Mills
 - c. Allison Moore
 - d. Scott Kaseman
 - 3. Members of the Public
 - a. Steve Schoninger
 - b. Bill Baxter
 - c. Steve Thompson
 - d. Ted Harrison
 - C. Agenda Approved
- II. Elections
 - A. Matthew McQueen unanimously elected Chairman, Matthew Mc Queen and Martin Gabaldon remained neutral
 - **B.** Sam Pallin unanimously elected Vice Chairman, Sam Pallin abstained, Martin Gabaldon remained neutral

- III. Matters From Staff
 - A. Written Report of Program activities presented
 - **B.** Beth Mills presented an overview of the new Growth Management Plan and upcoming community Charrettes
 - C. Colleen Baker discussed the Program's funding sources, allocations and current budget balances
 - D. Colleen Baker discussed the status of Mt. Chalchihuitl and Cerrillos Gravel Products properties
- IV. Action Items
 - A. Beth Mills gave a PowerPoint presentation on the application for acquisition of approximately 468 acres of Commonweal's Ananda Valley and 75 West Basin Properties for \$1,575,000, representing a discount of 9% of the appraised value of \$1,725,000. Also, Commonweal has offered to donate 12% (\$189,000) instead of only 5% of the purchase price back to the Open Space and Trails Program's maintenance fund.
 - 1. 75 West Basin Road is approximately 260 acres
 - a. The County has a conservation easement on approximately 165 acres that they paid \$400,000 for.
 - b. The County would be acquiring the under lying fee to this acreage plus, approximately 95 acres that are not under the easement
 - 2. Ananda Valley portion is approximately 197 acres comprised of two parcels, approximately 37 and 160 acres.
 - 3. Benefits o f Acquisition
 - a. Ties together the land management and control over land west and south of County Road 42
 - b. Ties together the land between the County's other Open Space property, Thornton Ranch and the rail line as part of future trail alignments along the Burlington-Northern to connect to Lamy and Cerrillos
 - c. Historic Kennedy site and Kennedy rail alignment is located on the Ananda Valley Parcel
 - d. Critical to Regional Trail Development
 - e. Commonweal is donating 6 miles of trails that come off the Lamy Crest near the Rail Trail and Highway 285. They spent \$43,000 constructing these trails.
 - f. Commonweal's much needed donation of \$189,000 back to the program
 - g. 20% discount off the appraised value

4. Discussion of Funding

- V. Moved into closed session to discuss acquisition
- VI. Back into Open Session Sam Pallin made a motion to approve the project proposal titled Application for Petroglyph Hill Expansion, 75 West Basin Ridge and Ananda Valley, submitted by Commonweal Conservancy dated February 19, 2009 for the purchase price of \$1,575,000 with a return donation of \$189,000. Mr. Jansen second and a unanimous decision was returned in favor of the motion.
- VII. The Meeting adjourned at 9:35pm