

Meeting Notes
Council District 5
Meeting #1 on Parks Planning and Greenprint Update
September 27, 2007
Alum Rock Youth Center

A. Community Needs Assessment

- How much more parkland does Council District 5 need to fulfill per acreage numbers?
- How come the per acreage numbers have not changed for the past 10 years? Does that mean that CD 5 has not acquired any new land to build parks?
- Need dog parks (2)
- Need more neighborhood parks
- Community Centers need to be adequately staffed.
- We need pocket parks
- Link parks with trails
- Pursch Park –
 - bathrooms need maintenance
 - Staff very rude and slow to respond
- Promote mountain biking
- Promote volunteerism to maintain parks
- Inline skating rink

B. Community Programs and Services

- Fire/Earthquake preparedness classes
- Lighted pools need to be open late
- Programs in mountain biking
- Promote environmental classes
- All parks need better maintenance
- Need more trees to be planted
- Open the PAL Stadium to the community
- Need a Community Center by Lobue Park

C. Trails

- Need mileage markers
- Need more trails to connect existing trails
- Trails in the Hamilton Clayton route
- Treaded trail paths need to be marked and converted to proper trails
- Exercise and resting stations along Alum Rock Park

D. Acquisitions

- Vacant lot in the corner of Kirk/Alum Rock
- Lot on Fleming/Nob Hills
- Space for a potential park around Capitol and Gay Avenue

E. Regional Parks

- Alum Rock – can the City do something to allow us to walk our dogs in Alum Rock
- Some of the area along Alum rock Park is unsafe and therefore not in use

F. Other

- Need to collaborate with community
- Develop partnerships with schools and other educational institutions
- Give the public clear reality expectations on what is do able.
- Collaborate with County on projects. eg. Fleming