Los Alamos County PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

Equine & Livestock Advisory Subcommittee (ELAS)

GUIDELINES

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Equine & Livestock Advisory Subcommittee (ELAS) is to gather public input and advise the Parks and Recreation Board (the Board) on policy issues relating to Los Alamos County equine facilities, trails, resources and education. The ELAS shall be established on a year-to-year basis upon affirmative action of the Board and approval by Council.

The duties and responsibilities of ELAS are:

- 1. Provide a forum for discussion of equine and livestock issues and serve as an advisory body to the Board and a resource to staff.
- 2. When asked, review current policies relating to equine and/or livestock programs, facilities, trails, and resource usage to determine additional needs and submit recommendations to the Board.
- 3. Review and comment on the operation and development of equine and/or livestock facilities, trails, resources and education programs and serve in an advisory capacity to staff and the Board by recommending improvements to and maintenance of facilities, trails, programs and equipment.
- 4. With the cooperation and collaboration persons involved in equine and livestock pursuits via the ELAS, develop and prioritize a list of capital improvements for consideration by the Board.
- 5. When requested, and using the Board's criteria from Los Alamos County Code Section 8-143, sub-paragraph (5), assist staff in the annual review of equine/livestock facilities usage and fees. Inform the Board of the subcommittee's recommendations.
- 6. Provide and/or gather public input on any fees associated with equine and/or livestock facilities located in Los Alamos County.

7. Ensure that all findings, recommendations, or action items identified by ELAS are submitted to the Board for consideration and/or approval.

MEMBERSHIP

ELAS will consist of five (5) official voting members: one appointed by the Los Alamos Stable Owners Board; one (1) appointed by the Pajarito Riding Club; three (3) appointed by the Parks and Recreation Board; and the fifth member being a current member of the Parks and Recreation Board. The non-voting member will be the Parks Superintendent. The Chairperson of ELAS shall be elected annually by the voting members of the subcommittee.

TERMS

Terms for voting members can be up to two (2) years from the date approved by the Board. No voting member shall serve more than two years in succession. After serving two years, a former ELAS member must wait one full year before serving again on the ELAS.

Upon expiration of the term of any regular voting member of ELAS, the Board shall appoint or re-appoint a member for a full term; provided that no member shall be re- appointed to more than two (2) successive full terms. When any vacancy shall occur on ELAS for any cause whatsoever, a member shall be appointed by the Board to fill the unexpired term caused by such vacancy.

All vacancies shall be advertised as determined by the Board and the CSD Director or designee with applications submitted to the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Department Office, 2760 Canyon Road, Los Alamos, New Mexico 87544.

MEETINGS

Meetings will be conducted monthly. The frequency of the ELAS meetings will be reviewed annually by the Board. Additional ELAS meetings may be called as required and approved by the Chair of the Board.

RECORDS

All ELAS records shall be retained by the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Division in accordance with the current Los Alamos County records retention policies.

STAFF LIAISON

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