



The Mission of the Community Council is to facilitate a connected and welcoming community that instills pride and a sense of belonging in each DC Ranch resident. The Council's work includes visioning and facilitating initiatives that enhance residents' quality of life, serve collective interests and promote the DC Ranch brand. These benefits make DC Ranch a very special place to live.

DC Ranch Community Council
Board Meeting Minutes
March 27, 2025 |
5:30 p.m.
Desert Camp – Trailblazer Room and Zoom

Board Members Present:

Ethan Knowlden, President; Elizabeth Kepuraitis, Vice-President (virtual); Dinesh Kakwani, Secretary (Virtual); Ron Belmont, Director; Kris James, Director; Heidi Rosner, Director.

Board Members Absent:

Rolland Dickson, Director.

Staff Members Present:

Jenna Kohl, Executive Director; Jona Davis, Deputy Executive Director; Dee Nortman, Director of Finance; Elizabeth Bird, Communications Sr. Manager; Chris Irish, Director of Public Affairs; Jackie Flores, Community Center & Amenities Director; Lynette Whitener, Events & Programs Sr. Manager; Cheri Maki, Executive Assistant (Recorder).

I. Call to Order

President Knowlden called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

II. Establish Quorum

A quorum was established with six directors present.

III. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes: Jan. 23, 2025

Mr. Belmont moved, and Ms. Rosner seconded, to adopt the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Staff Reports

Mr. Belmont moved, and Mr. James seconded, to approve the minutes of the Jan. 3, 2025, meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

V. President's Report

Mr. Knowlden recognized Outgoing Executive Director, Ms. Kohl, for her seven years of service to the Ranch. Her last day will be April 18, 2025.

The Board voted to withdraw from the governance agreement, which will result in each entity having its own executive director.

John Crow and Elizabeth Kepuraitis were appointed to the Board for terms from April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2028.

The Board approved an agreement with Ms. Kohl continue supporting the Council in a consulting capacity, assisting with the transition, and completing key projects.

VI. Staff Reports

- a. Ms. Davis provided the Staff Update
- b. Ms. Dankert presented the 2024 Annual Report
- c. Ms. Irish presented the Public Affairs Report
- d. Ms. Nortman presented the Financial Report

VII. Old Business

Ms. Kohl presented an overview on DCSIP (Desert Camp Site Improvement Project): Consideration of Authorization of Parking Lot Reconstruction Funding. Following discussion, Ms. Rosner moved to approve a change order not to exceed \$60,000 for the parking lot reconstruction at the Desert Camp Community Center, to be funded from the Owner's Contingency. Mr. Belmont seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Kohl will schedule a meeting with Haydon and Architekton next week to review final punch list items before releasing retainage.

VIII. New Business

- a. The Board briefly discussed the Master Plan and Use of Benefit Fee and decided to hold a separate work session next week to develop a long-term strategy for allocation and use of benefit fees.
- b. The Board approved the updated meeting schedule, moving from Thursdays to Wednesdays starting in April 2025.

IX. Other Comment

Mr. Knowlden called for any additional comments. There weren't any.

X. Adjourn Meeting

Mr. Knowlden adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

These minutes were attested by:



Dinesh Kakwani

Community Council Board Secretary/Treasurer

May 20, 2025

Date

COMMUNITY VALUES

●Sense of Community
●Healthy Lifestyles
●Artistic and Cultural Opportunities
Community

●Diversity and Inclusiveness
●Lifelong Learning

●Family
●Environmental Stewardship
●Relationship with the Larger