

**CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS OPEN
SPACE PRESERVATION ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NUMBER TWO**

MINUTES

of the

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I. Call to Order.

The special meeting of the Citizens Oversight Committee of the Santa Monica Mountains Open Space Preservation Assessment District Number Two was called to order by the Chair at 7:41 p.m. on April 13, 2004 at the Berkeley Hall School, Hodges Theater, 16000 Mulholland Drive, Los Angeles.

II. Administration of oaths of office to new members.

There were no new members.

III. Roll call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: Eric Edmunds, Chairperson; Gordon Murley, Vice Chairperson; Dave Wilcox; Chuck Milbourne; John Given; Helen Itria Norman; and Desmond McDonald. Quorum present.

Members absent: Barbara Leonard and Dale Surowitz.

Staff present: Paul Edelman, Chief of Natural Resources and Planning and Melissa Chigaridas, Board Secretary.

IV. Approval of Minutes from meeting of August 5, 2003.

On motion of Mr. Given, duly seconded, the minutes were approved as submitted. The motion was approved by the Chair, Mr. Murley, Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Milbourne, Ms. Itria Norman, Mr. Given, and Mr. McDonald.

V. Chairperson's Report.

The Chair gave a report and discussion followed.

VI. Public testimony on all agenda items and public comment on matters not on the agenda. Public testimony will also be taken before each item.

No comments were made by members of the public.

VII. Reports from staff:

(a) Bond sale and proceeds;

Paul Edelman gave a report.

(b) Brush clearance program;

Tim Miller gave a report discussing brushing procedures, use of Camp 13 crews, and brushing progress.

(c) Acquisitions completed to date;

Paul Edelman gave a report.

(d) MRCA Governing Board acquisition approvals and status since August 2003;

Paul Edelman gave a report.

(e) Remaining funding in Acquisition Areas;

Paul Edelman gave a report.

(f) District general benefit contributions.

Paul Edelman gave a report.

The committee requested clarification on MRCA Agenda Item X, dated April 7, 2004.

VIII. Consideration of resolution recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) add APN 2075-027-010 in Acquisition Area F (Woodland Hills) and APNs 4416-008-033, 4422-033-011, and 4431-022-003 in Acquisition Area H (Pacific Palisades), to the District No. 2 Engineer's Report and determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire said properties is thereby consistent with the criteria and requirements established in said amended report.

On motion of Mr. Given, duly seconded, Resolution No. 04-01 was approved as amended. The motion was approved by the Chair, Mr. Murley, Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Milbourne, Ms. Itria Norman, Mr. Given, and Mr. McDonald.

IX. Members comments on matters not on the agenda.

Comments were made by the Chair.

X. Statements, questions, or directions to staff pursuant to Government Code § 54954.2(a).

Mr. Given requested an update via e-mail between meetings.

XI. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.

Next meeting will be held in the beginning of June. Exact date to be determined.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Paul Edelman
Chief of Natural Resources and Planning

Approved:



Eric Edmunds
Chair