

**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, Gordon Murley, at 7:16 p.m. on January 16, 2007 at the Bel Air Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles.

II. Administration of oaths of office to new member.

New members Nancy Theroux and Lee Marks were sworn in as new members.

III. Roll call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: John Given; Chuck Milbourne; Norma Spak; Dave Wilcox; Nancy Theroux; Lee Marks; Eric Edmunds, Vice Chair; and Gordon Murley, Chair. The following members were absent: Desmond McDonald, Barbara Leonard, and Ernest Dynda.

Staff present: Paul Edelman, Chief of Natural Resources and Planning; Jeff Maloney, Staff Counsel; and Tammy Lee, Board Secretary.

IV. Approval of minutes from meeting of November 16, 2004, and from meeting of February 21, 2006.

On the motion of Mr. Wilcox, duly seconded, the minutes of meeting of November 16, 2004 was unanimously adopted as submitted.

On the motion of Mr. Wilcox, duly seconded, the minutes of meeting of February 21, 2006 was unanimously adopted as amended.

V. Chairperson's Report.

Comments were made by the Chair regarding Dry Creek Canyon.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Milbourne.

Comments were made by the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox.

Comments were made by the Chair and the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning

Questions were propounded by Mr. Milbourne.

Comments were made the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning, and Staff Council.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning and the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Given.

Comments were made by the Chair and the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

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

No comments were made.

VII. Reports from staff.

(a) Acquisitions completed since February 2006 meeting;

A report was given by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox and Ms. Spak.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

(b) Status report on each Acquisition Area;

A report was given by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning regarding the Mulholland Design Review Board.

A report was given by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning regarding

Mountain Gate.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Vice Chair.

Questions were propounded by the Chair and Mr. Given.

Comments were made by the Vice Chair.

A report was given by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning regarding High Meadow.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

A report was given by the Staff Council regarding Dry Creek Canyon.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Staff Council and the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

A report was given by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning regarding Area H.

(c) Financial report.

A report was given by the Staff Council.

Comments were made by Mr. Wilcox and Mr. Given.

Questions were propounded by the Vice Chair.

Comments were made by the Staff Council and the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

- VIII. Consideration of resolution recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) add APNs 4416-019-029, and 030, in Acquisition Area H (Pacific Palisades-Paseo Miramar) to the District No. 2 Engineer's Report and determining that the expenditure of Assessment**

District funds to acquire said property is consistent with the criteria and requirements established in said amended report.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Spak

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning and Ms. Spak.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox.

Comments were made by Ms. Theroux, and the Staff Council.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Staff Council, the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning, and the Vice Chair.

Questions were propounded by the Chair and Ms. Spak.

Comments were made by the Vice Chair, the Staff Council, and Mr. Wilcox.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Spak.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

On the motion of Mr. Wilcox, duly seconded, Resolution No. 07-01 was unanimously adopted.

- IX. Consideration of resolution determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire APNs 4416-022-042, 043, 044, and 4416-019-029, 030, in Acquisition Area H (Pacific Palisades-Paseo Miramar) is consistent with the criteria and requirements established in the Final Engineer's Report.**

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox and Ms. Theroux.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were made Mr. Milbourne.

Comments were made the Staff Attorney.

On the motion of Mr. Edmunds, duly seconded, Resolution No. 07-02 was unanimously adopted as amended.

- X. **Consideration of resolution determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire APNs 4422-028-018, and 029, in Acquisition Area H (Pacific-Palisades-Temescal Canyon) is consistent with the criteria and requirements established in the Final Engineer's Report.**

Comments were made by Ms. Spak

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Theroux

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Mr. Given.

On the motion of Mr. Given, duly seconded, Resolution No. 07-03, was unanimously adopted.

- XI. **Consideration of resolution determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire APNs 4416-025-030, 031, and 4416-004-043, in Acquisition Area H (Pacific Palisades-Los Lions Canyon) is consistent with the criteria and requirements established in the Final Engineer's Report.**

Comments were made by the Vice Chair.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Staff Council.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox.

Comments were made by the Staff Council, the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning, and the Vice Chair.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Theroux.

Comments were made by Ms. Spak.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Milbourne.

Comments were made by the Staff Council and the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox.

Comments were made by the Staff Council and the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

On the motion of Mr. Given, duly seconded, Resolution No. 07-04, was unanimously approved.

XII. Discussion of Area H potential acquisitions.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Milbourne.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning and the Staff Council.

Questions were propounded by the Vice Chair.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning and Mr. Wilcox.

Questions were propounded by the Chair, Mr. Wilcox, and the Vice Chair.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning, the Chair, Mr. Given, and the Vice Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox and the Chair.

Comments were made by the Vice Chair, Mr. Given, and Ms. Theroux.

XIII. Discussion and possible action regarding use of Area H funds for improvements at Temescal Canyon Park.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Spak.

Comments were made by the Staff Council, the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning, and the Vice Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Milbourne.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources, Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Given, the Chair, and Ms. Spak.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Given.

Comments were made by the Staff Council.

XIV. Discussion and designation of independent auditor for District revenue and expenditures.

On the motion of Mr. Wilcox, duly seconded, Resolution No. 07-05, was unanimously adopted.

XV. Discussion and direction to staff on future acquisitions in District No. 2.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Milbourne.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wilcox.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

XVI. Members comments on matters not on the agenda.

No comments were made.

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

No comments were made.

XVIII. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to April 17, 2007 by the Chair and 9:42 p.m.

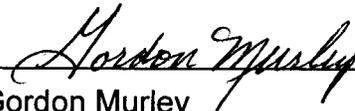
Respectfully submitted:

Approved:



Paul Edelman

Chief of Natural Resources and Planning



Gordon Murley

Chairperson