

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

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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 Chairperson Gordon Murley at 7:14 p.m. on August 9, 2005 at the Bel Air Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles.

II. Administration of oaths of office to new members.

The Chief of Natural Resources and Planning reads the Oath to Mr. Jeffrey Eves. Mr. Eves affirms, and signs the oath.

III. Roll call.

The following members were present: Gordon Murely, Chairperson; Dave Wilcox; Chuck Milbourne; John Given; Jeffrey Eves; Norma Spak, Helen Norman, and Desmond McDonald. Quorum present. Members absent: Barbara Leonard.
[Eric Edmunds, Vice Chair arrived at 7:50pm.]

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

IV. Election of Officers.

On motion of Mr. Given, duly seconded, Mr. Gordon Murley was presented for Chairperson.

V. Chairperson's Report.

No report.

VI. Reports from staff:

The Chief of Natural Resources and Planning gave an update on the following areas:

(a) Updates on Area F acquisitions;

(b) Updates on Area G acquisitions;

(c) Updates on Area H acquisitions;

(d) Updates on Area I acquisitions.

VII. 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 public comment.

VIII. Discussion of District No. 2 Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements.

Questions were propounded by the Chair, Mr. Given, Mr. Wilcox and Mr. Milbourne.

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

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Recommendation was made to have the Financial Statement postponed to the next agenda. Discussion followed.

IX. Consideration of resolution recommending that the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) add APN 2076-023-019 in Acquisition Area F (Woodland Hills-Giraud Reservoir adjacent) to the District No. 2 Engineer's Report and determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire said property is thereby consistent with the criteria and requirements established in said amended report.

Discussion followed regarding the Engineer's Report.

Questions were propounded by the Chair, Mr. Given, Mr. Wilcox and Mr. Milbourne, Ms. Norman and Mr. Edmunds.

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

On motion of Mr. Wilcox, duly seconded, Resolution No. 05-01 approved as amended. The motion was approved by the Chair, Mr. Murley, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Eves, Mr. McDonald, Ms. Norman, Mr. Milbourne, Ms. Spak and Mr. Wilcox. Mr. Milbourne voted no.

X. Consideration of resolution determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire APNs 4490-010-001, 002, and 003 in Acquisition Area I (Dirt Mulholland Drive and Westridge Canyonback Park-adjacent) is consistent with the criteria and requirements established in the Final Engineer's Report.

Comments were made by the Chair, Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Given and Mr. Edmunds.

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On motion of Mr. Murley, duly seconded, Resolution No. 05-02 approved. The motion was approved by the Chair, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Eves, Mr. McDonald, Ms. Norman, Mr. Milbourne, Ms. Spak, Mr. Wilcox and Mr. Milbourne.

XI. Consideration of resolution determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire APNs 2292-011-049, 2292-010-026, 2290-025-020, and 2292-010-032 in Acquisition Area G (Encino) is consistent with the criteria and requirements established in the Final Engineer's Report.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Given, Mr. Edmunds, Ms. Spak, Mr. Mcdonald and Mr. Milbourne.

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

On motion of Mr. Edmunds, duly seconded, Resolution No. 05-03 approved. The motion was approved by the Chair, Mr. Murley, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Eves, Mr. McDonald, Ms. Norman, Mr. Milbourne, Ms. Spak , Mr. Wilcox. and Mr. Milbourne.

XII. Consideration of resolution determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire APNs 2184-026-016, 2184-003-005 and 2176-030-037 in Acquisition Area G (Tarzana) is consistent with the criteria and requirements established in the Final Engineer's Report.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Given, Ms. Norman, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Wilcox and Mr. Edmunds.

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

Discussion followed.

On motion of Ms. Norman, duly seconded, Resolution No. 05-04 approved. The motion was approved by the Chair, Mr. Murley, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. McDonald, Ms. Norman, Mr. Eves, Mr. Milbourne, Ms. Spak, Mr. Wilcox and Mr. Given.

XIII. Consideration of resolution determining that the expenditure of Assessment District funds to acquire APNs 4419-015-026 (Lower Marquez Canyon) and 4409-005-007 and 006 (Rivas Canyon) in Acquisition Area H (Parcific Palisades) is consistent with the criteria and requirements established in the Final Engineer's Report.

On motion of Mr. Wilcox, duly seconded, Resolution No. 05-06 approved as amended. The motion was approved by the Chair, Mr. Murley, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Eves, Mr. McDonald, Ms. Norman, Mr. Milbourne, Ms. Spak, Mr. Wilcox and Mr. Given.

XIV. Members comments on matters not on the agenda.

Some discussion from Mr. Milbourne, would like an easement for the entire area for item IX. Ms. Spak and Mr. McDonald would like an appraisal for area G, dirt Mulholland.

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

None offered.

XVI. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 9:31 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Paul Edelman
Chief of Natural Resources and Planning

Gordon Murley
Chairperson