WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MINUTES
of the
GOVERNING BOARD
of the
WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

June 11, 2008

I. Call to Order.

The special meeting of the Governing Board of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority (WCCA) was called to order by Chairperson Bob Henderson at 7:35 p.m. on June 11, 2008 at the Whittier Community Center located at 7630 Washington Avenue, Whittier, California 90602.

II. Roll Call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: John Beauman; Dickie Simmons; Gary Watts; Michael Hughes; Jack Tanaka; Glenn Parker, Vice Chair; and Bob Henderson, Chair. Quorum was present. The following member was absent: Elizabeth Cheadle.

Howard Vipperman arrived subsequent to roll call.

Staff present: Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer; Paul Edelman, Chief of Natural Resources and Planning; Jeff Maloney, Staff Counsel; Judi Tamasi, Project Analyst; and Tammy Lee, Board Secretary.

III. Administration of oath of office to new alternate member.

John Rowe was sworn in as the alternate for California Department of Parks and Recreation.

IV. Election of officers.

Bob Henderson nominated Glenn Parker for Chair.

Glenn Parker was unanimously elected as Chair.

Glenn Parker nominated John Beauman as Vice-Chair.

John Beauman was unanimously elected as Vice-Chair.

V. Reports from staff:

(a) Legislation and funding.

No report was given.

(b) Update regarding development projects in the wildlife corridor area.

1. Aera project and City of Diamond Bar proposed sphere of influence amendment and annexation to include the Aera property, west of State Route 57, Los Angeles County.

A report was given by Ms. Tamasi.

2. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Robert B. Diemer Treatment Plant North Access Road Project.

A report was given by Ms. Tamasi.

3. Canyon Crest Project, Tentative Tract Map No. 15956, City of Brea.

A report was given by Ms. Tamasi.

4. Pacific Heights Project, Tentative Tract Map No. 51153, Hacienda Heights, Los Angeles County.

A report was given by Ms. Tamasi.

Comments were made the Chair, Mr. Henderson, and Mr. Beauman.

(c) Update regarding proposed Diamond Bar acquisition of City of Industry properties.

A report was given by Ms. Tamasi.

[Howard Vipperman arrived at 7:44 p.m.]

VI. Update regarding increasing membership fees for Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority members.

Comments were made by Mr. Simmons.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Simmons.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Chief Deputy Executive Officer, Mr. Beauman, Mr. Henderson, and the Chair.

VII. Comments by members of the public on items not on the agenda and public testimony on all agenda items. Except for items notices as public hearings, all public comments shall be heard during the public comments section of the agenda. Individuals will be allowed three minutes to speak and representatives of organizations/agencies will be allowed five minutes to speak.

The following member address the Authority:

Margot Eiser, Resident of the City of Montebello, on Item XIV.

VIII. Governing Board and staff response to public comment. At this time the Governing Board and staff will respond to public comment and questions.

No comments were made.

IX. Consent calender:

(a) Approval of minutes from the meeting of September 27, 2007.

(b) Receive and file the 2006-2007 audit submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.

(c) Review and approval of Treasurer's report for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2007-2008 submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.

(d) Review and approval of Treasurer's report for the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2007-2008 submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.

(e) Review and approval of Treasurer's report for the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2007-2008 submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.

(f) Consideration of resolution adopting budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

(g) Consideration of resolution authorizing a change to the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Procedural and Operational Policies to update the address of WCCA.

On motion of Mr. Beauman, duly seconded, Items IX(a), IX(b), IX(c), IX(d), IX(e), and IX(g) were unanimously approved.

Item IX(f) was removed from the consent calender for discussion.

IX. (f) Consideration of resolution adopting budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson and the Chief Deputy Executive Officer.

Questions were propounded by the Chair and Mr. Beauman.

Comments were made by the Chief Deputy Executive Officer and the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, Resolution 08-01 was approved by Messrs. Henderson, Parker, Beauman, Hughes, Tanaka, and Vipperman. Mr. Watts abstained. Mr. Simmons was noted voting against the adoption of this item.

X. Report from a representative of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Advisory Committee regarding the Advisory Committee meeting held on June 11, 2008.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Tamasi.

Comments were made by the Chair.

XI. Discussion and possible action regarding potential acquisition of Los Angeles Defense Area Nike Site 29, Parcel 2 by County of Los Angeles, Sheriff's Department, unincorporated area of Rowland Heights, Los Angeles County.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Messrs. Simmons and Henderson, the Chair, the Chief Deputy Executive Officer, and the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Simmons.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi, the Chair, and Messrs. Simmons and Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi, the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning, Mr. Beauman, and the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Simmons.

Comments were made by the Chair, the Chief Deputy Executive Officer, and Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Messrs. Henderson and Beauman.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Simmons.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson and the Chief Deputy Executive Officer.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Simmons.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson, the Chief Deputy Executive Officer, and the Chair.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Beauman, Ms. Tamasi, the Chair, and Mr. Simmons.

Questions were propounded by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Comments were made by Mr. Simmons, the Chair, and Ms. Tamasi.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Simmons.

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

Questions were propounded by Mr. Beauman.

Comments were made by the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Beauman.

Comments were made by Messrs. Simmons and Henderson, the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, and the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Beauman.

Comments were made by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, the Chair, Messrs. Beauman and Henderson.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Tanaka.

Comments were made by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Messrs. Henderson and Beauman, and Ms. Jane Beesley of the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Beauman.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson, the Chair, and Mr. Watts.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Beauman.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson.

XII. Discussion and possible action regarding State Route 91 Corridor Improvement Project proposed by Riverside County Transportation Commission including (a) appointing a member and alternate to attend the Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meetings, and (b) authorizing staff to write a comment letter on the Notice of Preparation (NOP) of a Draft Environmental Impact Report/Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Chairperson's signature when the NOP/NOI is released.

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

Questions were propounded by Mr. Simmons.

Comments were made by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, the Chair, and Messrs. Watts and Henderson.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by Mr. Watts, the Chair, and Messrs. Beauman and Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Messrs. Watts and Beauman, and the Chair.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Messrs. Beauman and Watts.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by Mr. Watts, the Chair, and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, the appointment of the Chair as the representative of WCCA and Advisory Committee member Robert Turner as the alternate to attend the Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meetings is unanimously approved.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Simmons.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson, the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, and Mr. Watts.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, the staff recommendation that staff write a letter on the NOP/NOI for the State Route 91 Corridor Improvement Project was approved.

Comments were made by Mr. Rowe.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi and Mr. Beauman.

XIII. Update and discussion regarding potential extraction of minerals in Whittier Hills.

A report was given by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by Messrs. Beauman, Hughes, Henderson, and Watts.

Questions were propounded by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Beauman.

Comments were made by Messrs. Henderson and Simmons, and Ms. Tamasi.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Beauman.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson, the Chair, and Messrs. Simmons and Watts.

XIV. Discussion and possible action regarding Montebello Hills Specific Plan.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi and Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Simmons.

Comments were made by Ms. Eiser and Ms. Tamasi.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Simmons.

Comments were made by Ms. Eiser.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Hughes.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Watts.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Beauman.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson, the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, and the Chair.

Questions were propounded by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer.

Comments were made by Mr. Beauman and the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Hughes, duly seconded, the Governing Board approved for staff to write a comment letter regarding the Montebello Hills Specific Plan.

Comments were made by Messrs. Beauman and Watts.

XV. Discussion and possible action regarding potential acquisition of the Rowland Heights "Reed" property, Tentative Tract Map No. 49411 (APNs 8269-044-008, 8269-096-001 and 002).

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

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson and the Deputy Chief Executive Officer.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Chair and Mr. Simmons.

Comments were made by Ms. Beesley.

Questions were propounded by the Chair and Mr. Simmons.

Comments were made by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, the Chair, Mr. Henderson, Ms. Beesely, and Mr. Simmons.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Ms. Tamasi.

XVI. Statements, responses, questions or directions to staff pursuant to Section 54954.2(a) of the Government Code which provides as follows:

"No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public, a member of a legislative body or its staff may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities. Furthermore, a member of a legislative body, or the body itself, subject to rules or procedures of the legislative body, may provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda."

Comments were made by Messrs. Watts and Henderson.

XVII. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.

Comments were made by Mr. Watts, Ms. Tamasi, and Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer.

Comments were made by the Chair.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Rorie Skei
Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Approved:

Glenn Parker
Chairperson

WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

June 11, 2008 — Agenda Item IX(f)
Resolution No. 08-01

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY ADOPTING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority adopts the budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

Chairperson

AYES: Henderson, Parker, Beauman, Hughes, Tanaka, Vipperman

NOES: Simmons

ABSTENTIONS: Watts

ABSENT: Cheadle

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a special meeting of the Governing Board of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 11th day of June, 2008.

Dated:

Executive Officer

WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

June 11, 2008 — Agenda Item IX(g)

Resolution No. 08-02

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY A CHANGE TO THE WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY PROCEDURAL AND OPERATIONAL POLICIES TO UPDATE THE MAILING ADDRESS

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority:

1. FINDS that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

2. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendation dated June 11, 2008.

3. CHANGE the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Procedural and Operational Policies by switching the mailing address from Brea to Los Angeles River Center and Gardens in Los Angeles.

4. AUTHORIZES the Executive Officer to do any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution and any recommendations made by the Governing Board.

Chairperson

AYES: Henderson, Parker, Beauman, Simmons, Watts, Hughes, Tanaka, Vipperman

NOES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: Cheadle

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Executive Officer