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MINUTES
of the
Advisory Committee
of the
WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

June 11, 2008

I. Call to order.

The special meeting of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Advisory Committee was called to order by Tom Greene at 5:40 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11, 2008, in Rooms 1 and 2 at the Whittier Community Center located at 7630 Washington Avenue, Whittier, California.

II. Roll Call.

The Advisory Committee roll was called and the following members were present: Shelly Andros, Roland vom Dorp, Anne Coté, Stephen Davis, Bill Herrick, Tom Greene, Chairperson, Alissa Ing, Sona McCoy, and Claire Schlotterbeck.

William Madden, Wilbur Smith, and Bob Turner arrived subsequent to roll call.

The following members were absent: Bob Kanne, Lidia Yoshida, Helen Rahder, Vice Chair, and Jeff Yann.

Staff present: Judi Tamasi, Project Analyst; and Tammy Lee, Board Secretary. Paul Edelman, Chief of Natural Resources and Planning arrived later.

III. Election of Secretary.

Bill Herrick nominated Helen Rahder for Secretary.

Helen Rahder was unanimously elected as Secretary.

IV. Reports from staff:

(a) 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.

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

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

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

A report was given by Ms. Tamasi.

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

A report was given by Ms. Tamasi.

(c) Update regarding increasing membership fees for Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority members.

A report was given by Ms. Tamasi.

Questions were propounded by Mr. vom Dorp.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi, Ms. Schlotterbeck, and Mr. vom Dorp.

V. Comments by members of the public on items not on the agenda and public testimony on all agenda items. Except for items noticed 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 Chair announced that Item V will be revisted.

VI. Advisory Committee and staff response to public comment. At this time the Advisory Committee and staff will respond to public comment and questions.

The Chair announced that Item VI will be revisited.

VII. Approval of minutes from the meeting of September 6, 2007.

On motion of Ms. Schlotterbeck, duly seconded, minutes from the meeting of September 6, 2007, were unanimously adopted.

VIII. Update on the Governing Board meeting held on September 27, 2007.

An update was given by Ms. Tamasi.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Turner.

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

Questions were propounded by Mr. vom Dorp.

Comments were made by Ms. Schlotterbeck.

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The following member address the Authority:

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

The Chair announced that Item VI would be revisited.

VI. Advisory Committee and staff response to public comment. At this time the Advisory Committee and staff will respond to public comment and questions.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Schlotterbeck.

Comments were made by Ms. Eiser.

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Questions were propounded by the Chair.

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Questions were propounded by Mr. vom Dorp.

Comments were made by Ms. Eiser.

IX. Comments and announcements from Advisory Committee Members.

Comments were made by the Chair and Ms. Schlotterbeck.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Schlotterbeck.

Comments were made by the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Schlotterbeck.

Comments were made by Ms. Ing.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Herrick.

Comments were made by Ms. Ing, Mr. vom Dorp, the Chair, and Ms. Schlotterbeck.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Smith.

Comments were made by Messrs. vom Dorp, Smith, Ms. Schlotterbeck, and Mr. Madden.

X. Discussion of development projects in the wildlife corridor area.

No comments were made.

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 the Chair and Ms. Tamasi.

Questions were propounded by Mr. vom Dorp.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi and the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. vom Dorp.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi.

On motion of Mr. vom Dorp, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee unanimously recommended for the Governing Board and staff to continue communicating with the Sheriff's department and National Park Service in an aggressive manner regarding the potential acquisition of Los Angeles Defense Area Nike Site 29, Parcel 2, and getting an update regarding the status of each application.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Madden.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

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

Questions were propounded by Mr. Turner and Ms. Schlotterbeck.

Comments were made by Ms. Ing and the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Madden.

Comments were made by Ms. Schlotterbeck and Messrs. vom Dorp and Davis.

XII. Discussion and possible action regarding State Route 91 Corridor Improvement Project proposed by Riverside County Transportation Commission including (a) recommending that the Governing Board appoint a member and alternate to attend the Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meetings, and (b) recommending that the Governing Board authorize 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. Schlotterbeck.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

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Questions were propounded by Ms. Coté, Mr. vom Dorp, and the Chair.

Comments were made by Ms. Schlotterbeck, the Chair, Mr. Turner, and Ms. Ing.

Questions were propounded by Mr. vom Dorp.

Comments were made by the Chair.

On motion of Mr. vom Dorp, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee unanimously (a) recommended that the Governing Board appoint Claire Schlotterbeck and Bob Turner as member and alternate to attend the Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meetings, (b) recommended the Governing Board authorize staff to write a comment letter on the NOP of a Draft Environmental Impact Report/NOI to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Chairperson's signature when the NOP/NOI is released, and (c) recommended that staff obtain more information about the proposed interchange and toll lanes at Coal Canyon.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Tamasi.

Comments were made by Ms. Schlotterbeck, and the Chair.

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

Comments were made by the Chair and Ms. Schlotterbeck.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Madden and Ms. Eiser.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Andros.

Comments were made by Messrs. Madden and Davis, and Ms. Andros.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Coté and Ms. Ing.

Comments were made by Mr. Davis.

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Comments were made by Mr. Davis, Ms. Ing, Ms. Schlotterbeck, Messrs. Madden and vom Dorp, and Ms. McCoy.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Andros.
Comments were made by Messrs. Madden and vom Dorp, Ms. Coté, and Mr. Davis.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Andros.

Comments were made by Messrs. Davis and Madden, Ms. Schlotterbeck, and the Chair.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Davis.

Comments were made by the Chair.

On motion of Ms. Ing, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee unanimously recommended staff to obtain more information regarding the project and keep Advisory Committee members updated with information.

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

Comments were made by the Chair, Ms. Schlotterbeck, and Ms. Ing.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Coté.

Comments were made by Ms. Eiser, Ms. Coté, and Mr. vom Dorp.

On motion of Ms. McCoy, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended the Governing Board authorize a comment letter regarding the Montebello Hills Specific Plan. Mr. Davis was noted as abstaining from the recommendation of this item.

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 Ms. Schlotterbeck.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Schlotterbeck.

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

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Comments were made by Ms. Schlotterbeck.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

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

Questions were propounded by Mr. Davis.

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

On motion of Mr. vom Dorp, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee unanimously recommended that the Governing Board pursue the acquisition of the Rowland Heights "Reed" property.

XVI. Reports from Advisory sub-committees:

a. Outreach subcommittee, Roland vom Dorp, Chair.
b. Media Liaison subcommittee, Helen McKenna Rahder, Chair.
c. Ecological subcommittee.
d. Fund Raising subcommittee, Roland vom Dorp, Chair.
e. Habitat subcommittee, Bill Madden, Chair.
f. Legislative subcommittee, Claire Schlotterbeck, Chair.

No comments were made.

XVII. Statements, responses, questions, or directions to staff pursuant to Section 54956.2(a) of the Government Code which states the following:

> "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."

No comments were made.

XVIII. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Judi Tamasi
Project Analyst

Approved:

Tom Greene
Chairperson