

# BALDWIN HILLS REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

*A public entity of the State of California exercising joint powers of the County of Los Angeles and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy*

**Mark Ridley-Thomas**  
*Chairperson*  
**Russell Guiney**  
*Vice-Chairperson*  
**Jerome C. Daniel**  
**Albert Vera**

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Governing Board of the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority**

**April 9, 2009**

### **I. Call to order**

The meeting of the Governing Board of the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority was called to order by Vice-Chair Russell Guiney at 3:20 p.m. on April 9, 2009 at Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Room 886, Los Angeles,

### **II. Administration of Oath of Office to Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas.**

The Executive Officer administered the Oath of Office to Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas.

### **III. Roll Call**

The roll was called and the following members were present: Jerome C. Daniel, Russell Guiney, Vice Chairperson, and Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Chairperson. A quorum was present. The following member was absent: Albert Vera.

Staff present: Joseph T. Edmiston, Executive Officer; Thomas Faughnan, Staff Counsel; Karly Katona, and David Meyerson.

### **IV. Public comment on matters appearing on this Special Meeting Agenda and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Authority.**

No public comments were made.

### **V. Consideration of resolution authorizing an amendment to Resource Opportunity Group, LLC consulting contract, authorizing additional work facilitating settlement discussions regarding the Baldwin Hills CSD and to prepare a Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority Work Plan.**

This item was continued at the request of the Chairperson.

**VI. Consideration of resolution authorizing expenditure authority up to \$10,000 per fiscal year to the Executive Officer with approval of the Chair to contract for studies and tours required to assist Members of the Board.**

The staff report for this item was presented by the Executive Officer.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 09-02 was unanimously adopted.

**VII. Consideration of resolution adopting a budget for fiscal years 2008/2009 and 2009/2010.**

The staff report for this item was presented by the Executive Officer.

Comments were made by David Meyerson.

The question was divided and two separate motions made.

On motions of Mr. Guiney, duly seconded, Resolution No. 09-03 was unanimously adopted and the preliminary budget for 2008/2009 passed and the joint account budget for 2008/2009 and 2009/2010 also passed.

**VIII. Consideration of resolution authorizing retroactive contract(s) with the President and Fellows of Harvard College for a Design Studio to address urban oil/parkland interface in the Baldwin Hills.**

The staff report for this item was presented by the Executive Director.

The resolution was amended so that the contract with Harvard College would not be paid until the report is reviewed and approved by the Authority.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 09-04 was unanimously adopted.

**IX. Statements, questions, and directions to staff pursuant to Section 54954.2 of the Government Code.**

No comments were made.

**X. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.**

The Chairperson announced that the next meeting will be held on a future date to be determined.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joseph T. Edmiston  
Executive Officer

Mark Ridley-Thomas  
Chairperson