

May 22, 2006; Agenda Item No. 13

Resolution No. 06-40

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING A GRANT OF PROPOSITION 50 FUNDS TO THE SOCIAL AND PUBLIC ART RESOURCE CENTER FOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OF “REVISING THE FORGOTTEN HISTORY OF LOS ANGELES; THE LOS ANGELES RIVER, THE GREAT WALL OF LOS ANGELES AND THE HERITAGE PARKSCAPE” PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy has entered into a joint powers agreement with the Conejo and Rancho Simi Recreation and Park Districts pursuant to Government Code Section 6500 *et seq.* to create the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA); and

WHEREAS, Section 5096.650 (b) of the Public Resource Code provides for funding to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for development of land and water resources; and

WHEREAS, Section 5096.605 (c) of the Public Resources Code provides that development includes, but is not limited to, improvement, rehabilitation, restoration, enhancement, preservation, protection, and interpretation; and

WHEREAS, Section 33204.27 (a) of the Public Resources Code provides that the Conservancy may award grants to school districts or other local agencies for any of the purposes for which it may award grants to nonprofit organizations pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 33204.2; and

WHEREAS, the Great Wall proposal is an important natural and cultural resource of the Los Angeles River is critical to the park visitor experience; and

WHEREAS, improvements will enhance visitor enjoyment and understanding of the land, air and water resources of the Los Angeles River and Tujunga Wash; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project will be reviewed by the Attorney General to verify that it is in compliance with the General Obligation Bond Law; and

WHEREAS, The staff report dated May 22, 2006 further describes the Great Wall project; Now

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy hereby:

1. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan.

2. AUTHORIZES a grant from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy in the amount not to exceed \$375,000 from Proposition 50 funds to the Social and Public Art Resource Center for the planning and development of “Revising the Forgotten History of Los Angeles: The Los Angeles River, the Great Wall of Los Angeles and the Heritage Parkscape” Project.
3. ADOPTS the staff report dated May 22, 2006 for this item.
4. AUTHORIZES the Executive Director to do any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution and any recommendations made by the Governing Board.

~ End of Resolution ~

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 22nd day of May, 2006 at Beverly Hills, California.

Dated:

Executive Director