

WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MINUTES of the GOVERNING BOARD of the WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

September 5, 2014

I. Call to Order.

The special telephonic meeting of the Governing Board of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority (WCCA) was called to order by Chairperson Glenn Parker at 11:42 a.m. on September 5, 2014 at the following locations:

- (a) Whittier City Hall, Administration Committee Room, 13230 E. Penn Street, Whittier, California.
- (b) Brea Civic and Cultural Center, Hickory Conference Room, One Civic Center Circle, Brea, California.
- (c) Diamond Bar City Hall, Gateway Conference Room, 21810 Copley Drive, Diamond Bar, California.

II. Roll Call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: Glenn Parker, Chair (Brea), Michael Hughes, Vice-Chair (Whittier), Kelly Elliott (Brea), Jack Tanaka (Diamond Bar), Andrea Avila (Whittier). Quorum present. The location where the Board member participated is shown in parentheses.

The following members were absent: Bob Henderson, Christine Marick, Dickie Simmons, Jane L. Williams.

Staff present: Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer; Paul Edelman, Chief of Natural Resources and Planning; Laura Ratcliffe, Staff Counsel; Judi Tamasi, Project Analyst.

Public present: George Edwards, The Avocado Express (Whittier); Steve Blagden, La Habra Heights (Brea); Claire Schlotterbeck, Vice-Chair, Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Advisory Committee (Brea).

- III. 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.**

Comments were made by Messrs. Blagden and Edwards, the Vice-Chair, the Chair and Ms. Schlotterbeck.

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

Comments were made by the Chief Deputy Executive Officer, the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning and Mr. Tanaka.

- V. Consent calendar:**

- (a) Approval of minutes from the meeting of May 23, 2014.**
- (b) Consideration of resolution adopting budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.**
- (c) Review and approval of Treasurer's report for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2013-2014 submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.**

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of the Vice-Chair, duly seconded, the consent calendar was unanimously approved.

(The full text of resolution 14-04 for Item V(b) is attached.)

- VI. Appointment of Advisory Committee Members.**

Comments were made by the Chair.

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Ms. Avila, duly seconded, Item VI was unanimously approved.

VII. Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to City of Chino Hills on Draft Environmental Impact Report for City of Chino Hills 2014 General Plan Update.

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

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Project Analyst.

Questions were propounded by the Chair and Ms. Avila.

Comments were made by Ms. Avila, the Chair and the Vice-Chair.

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Tanaka, duly seconded, Resolution No. 14-05 was approved, with revisions to the letter. Ms. Avila abstained.

(The full text of this resolution is attached.)

VIII. Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to President Barack Obama on proposal to designate San Gabriel Mountains a National Monument.

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

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Tanaka, duly seconded, Resolution No. 14-06 was adopted. Ms. Avila abstained.

(The full text of this resolution is attached.)

IX. Update on status of obtaining project agreements with the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District on Southeast Los Angeles County Habitat Connector and North Slope Rowland Heights-Puente Hills projects.

Update was made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Comments were made by Ms. Avila.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning, Ms. Avila, the Vice-Chair and the Chair.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

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

X. Discussion and possible action on proposed subdivision at 2342 Via Cielo (Tentative Tract Map No. 060973), Hacienda Heights, San Jose Creek and Turnbull Canyon watersheds.

Update was made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Comments were made by the Chair, Mr. Tanaka and the Vice-Chair.

XI. Update and discussion regarding the Los Angeles County 2035 General Plan.

Update was made by the Chief of Natural Resources and Planning.

Comments were made by Mr. Tanaka and the Vice-Chair.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Avila.

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

Questions were propounded by the Chief Deputy Executive Officer.

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

Questions were propounded by Ms. Avila.

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

XII. 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 Ms. Elliott.

XIII. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chief Deputy Executive Officer.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2014.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA
Executive Officer

Glenn Parker
Chairperson