

April 24, 2017; Agenda Item No. 11

Resolution No. 17-25

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING ENTERING INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A MULTIPURPOSE EASEMENT OVER AN APPROXIMATELY 12.5 ACRE PORTION OF APN 5442-002-823, OWNED BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE LOS ANGELES RIVER IN GLASSELL PARK

WHEREAS, the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is authorized to acquire interests in real property and to apply for grants to fund such acquisitions pursuant to Division 23 of the Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to create a regionally significant public amenity along the Los Angeles River in furtherance of the restoration of open space habitat, public recreation, and environmental remediation; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Conservancy and the general public to authorize the creation and acceptance of the proposed multipurpose easement from the City of Los Angeles; 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 Conservancy Act*.
2. FINDS that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the Conservancy's Strategic Objectives.
3. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated April 24, 2017 for this item.
4. ADOPTS all of the preceding whereas clauses.
5. AUTHORIZES entering into a grant agreement with the Wildlife Conservation Board for the purposes of providing funding for the acquisition of the multipurpose easement.

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6. AUTHORIZES transfer and assignment of all rights and obligations under the Wildlife Conservation Board grant agreement to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.
6. FURTHER AUTHORIZES the Executive Director or designee to carry out any and all actions necessary to accomplish the objectives associated with this resolution.

~ 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 24th day of April, 2017 at Agoura Hills, California.

Dated:

Executive Director