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MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING
of the
SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY
and the
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ADVISORY COMMITTEE

August 23, 2010

1. Call to order.

The 373rd joint meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Advisory Committee was called to order by Conservancy Chairperson Ronald P. Schafer at 5:21 p.m. on August 23, 2010 at Temescal Canyon Conference and Retreat Center, Pacific Palisades, California.

The Executive Director administered the Oath of Office to Advisory Committee members Jefferson Wagner and Sean Anderson.

2. Roll Call of Conservancy.

The Conservancy roll was called and the following members were present: Sara Wan, Elizabeth A. Cheadle, Woody Smeck, Jerome C. Daniel, Linda Parks, Bryan Cash, and Ronald P. Schafer, Chairperson. A quorum was present. The following member was present subsequent to roll call: Antonio Gonzalez. The following members were absent: Irma Muñoz, and James Berkus.

3. Roll Call of Advisory Committee.

The Advisory Committee roll was called and the following members were present: Sean Anderson, Caroline Brown, David Brown, Elaine Freeman, Richard Gould, Mary Sue Maurer, Paul Rabinov, Paul Rockenstein, Wendy-Sue Rosen, Marc Stirdivant, Jefferson Wagner, Timothy Wendler, Garen Yegparian, George Lange, Vice Chairperson, and Donald Robinson, Chairperson. A quorum was present. The following members were present subsequent to roll call: Allison-Claire Acker, Michael Cacciotti, and Roseann Mikos. The following members were absent: Michael Blanton, Anita Fromholz, Alan Kishbaugh, Harry Schwarz, Charles Stringer, and Donald Voss.

Staff present: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Director; Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Director; Laurie Collins, Chief Staff Counsel; Paul Edelman, Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning, and James Yeramian, Board Secretary.

4. Introduction of Legislative Participants or their staff.

The Chair announced that Louise Rishoff, Rebekah Rodriguez-Lynn, and Manuel Guoveia were present.

5. Reports.

The Conservancy received an oral report from the Executive Director.

6. Members comments on matters not on the agenda.

Comments were made Ms. Maurer.

7. Comments from members of the public on items not on the agenda and public testimony on all agenda items.

The following persons addressed the Conservancy:

Mr. Joseph Smith, representing the City of Malibu, on items 9 and 10.

Mr. Greg Aftergood, representing Malibu Road Association, on items 9 and 10.

Mr. Steven A. Amerikaner, representing Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund, on items 9 and 10.

Ms. Kathryn Hollguin, representing Ramirez Canyon Association, Inc., on items 9 and 10.

Mr. Bill Rhodes, representing Malibu Road Association, on items 9 and 10.

Mr. Stanley Lamport, representing Winding Way/Murphy Way Home and Landowners Association, on items 9 and 10.

Mr. Navy F. Banvard, member of the public, on items 9 and 10.

Mr. Don Wallace, representing ETI, Corral 36 Mountain Ridge Riders, on items 9 and 10.

Ms. Pamela Conley Ulich, representing City of Malibu, on items 9 and 10.

Mr. Rick Mullen, representing Ramirez Canyon, on items 9 and 10.

Ms. Joyce Ball, member of the public, on items 9 and 10.

Ms. Dixie Moore, member of the public, on items 9 and 10.

Ms. Susan Tellem, member of the public, on items 9 and 10.

Ms. Megan Williams, member of the public, on items 9 and 10.

Ms. Cece Loftus, representing Ramirez Canyon, on items 9 and 10.

Ms. Jenny Mullin-Wahl, representing Ramirez Canyon, on items 9 and 10.

Mr. Elliot Megdal, member of the public, on items 9 and 10.

Ms. Alessandra De Clario, member of the public, on items 9 and 10.

Ms. Lotte Cherin, representing Ramirez Canyon Homeowners Association, on items 9 and 10.

8. Consideration of resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Final budget for the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.

The staff report for this item was presented by Jeff Jones, Assistant Financial Officer for the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Gould, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 10-39.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Cheadle, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 10-39.

The Chair recessed the meeting at 7:21 p.m. for dinner.

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

9. Consideration of resolution certifying Final Environmental Impact Report, adopting findings and mitigation monitoring and reporting program pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, Malibu Parks Public Access Enhancement Plan—Public Works Plan, SCH No. 2009091018, City of Malibu and surrounding unincorporated area.

Discussion for items 9 and 10 were held concurrently.

The staff report for this item was presented by the Executive Director and the Deputy Director for Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Brown, Ms. Maurer, the Chair.

Comments were made by the Executive Director, the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning, Messrs. Troy White and Michael Huff, representing Dudek, and Mr. Bob McMurry, representing Paul Hastings.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Yegparian, and Ms. Maurer.

Comments were made by Ms. Wan and Ms. Rosen.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Freeman.

Comments were made by the Executive Director.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Wagner, Ms. Acker, and Ms. Wan.

Comments were made by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning, and Mr. Troy White.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Maurer, the Chair, Mr. Yegparian, Ms. Freeman, and Ms. Mikos.

Comments were made by the Executive Director, the Chair, Mr. Gonzalez, Ms. Cheadle, and Ms. Rosen.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Rosen, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution Nos. 10-40.

Mr. Wagner was noted as voting in opposition of this item.

Mr. Anderson was noted as abstaining.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Cash, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 10-40.

10. Consideration of resolution adopting Malibu Parks Public Access Enhancement Plan—Public Works Plan and authorizing submission thereof to the California Coastal Commission.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Rosen, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution Nos. 10-41.

Mr. Wagner was noted as voting in opposition of this item.

Mr. Anderson was noted as abstaining.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Gonzalez, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 10-41.

- 11. Closed Session: (The Conservancy may hold a closed session on the following items pursuant to Section 11126 Subdivision (c)(7)(A), Section 11126.3(a), and Section 11126 Subdivision (e) of the Government Code. Confidential memoranda related to the following items may be considered during such closed session discussions.) Discussion and possible action regarding pending and/or potential litigation: Pending litigation – *Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. California Coastal Commission, et al.*; *Lt-WR, LLC v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy SC105587*; *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Case No. LC077488*; *Friends of Temescal Pool v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*; *Robings v Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Case No. BC377233*, *City of Malibu v. California Coastal Commission, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Case No. BS121650*, and *Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy v. City of Malibu*, and related actions.**

No closed session was held.

12. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

The Chair announced that the next meeting would be held on September 27, 2010 at the Los Angeles River Center and Gardens, Los Angeles, California.

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:55 p.m. in memory of Hal Ross and Betty Lou Young.

Respectfully submitted:

JOSEPH T. EDMISTON, FAICP
Executive Director

Approved:

RONALD P. SCHAFER
Chairperson