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

August 26, 2013

**1. Call to order.**

The 402<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairperson Irma Muñoz, at 7:35 p.m. on August 26, 2013 at the Los Angeles River Center and Gardens, Los Angeles, California.

**2. Roll Call of Conservancy.**

The Conservancy roll was called and the following members were present: Jerome C. Daniel; Craig Sap; Elizabeth Cheadle; Linda Parks, Vice Chairperson, and Irma Muñoz, Chairperson. A quorum was present. The following member was absent: Bryan Cash.

**3. Roll Call of Advisory Committee.**

The Advisory Committee roll was called and the following members were present: Sean Anderson; Sean Arian; Richard Gould; Alan Kishbaugh; Mary Sue Maurer; Mike Mishler; Anthony Portantino; David Ross; Wendy-Sue Rosen; Bob Thompson; Effie Turnbull Sanders; Nancy Stephens; Marc Stirdivant, and George Lange, Vice Chairperson. A quorum was present. The following members were absent: Allison-Claire Acker; Caroline Brown; Dave Brown; Illece Buckley Weber; Michael Cacciotti; Elaine Freeman; Jeffrey Jennings; Roseann Mikos; Tim Wendler; Garen Yegparian, and Don Robinson, Chairperson.

Staff present: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Director; Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Director; Jeff Maloney, Chief Staff Counsel; Melissa Cartelli, Associated Government Program Analyst, and James Yeramian, Board Secretary.

**4. Introduction of Legislative Participants or their staff.**

The Chairperson announced that Tim Pershing, Representative for Assemblymember Richard Bloom was present.

**5. Approval of Minutes.**

The minutes of July 22, 2013 were submitted for approval.

The minutes of July 22, 2013 were approved as submitted.

**6. Reports.**

The Conservancy received oral reports from the Chairperson; Mr. Sap, representing State Parks; the Executive Director; Mr. Lange, representing the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, and the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Lange, Ms. Rosen, and Ms. Cheadle.

Comments were made by the Executive Director, the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning, and the Chief Staff Counsel.

**7. Members comments on matters not on the agenda.**

Comments were made by Ms. Turnbull Sanders, Ms. Maurer, and the Executive Director.

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

No members of the public addressed the Conservancy.

**9. Special recognition to Barbara Romero.**

Comments were made by the Executive Director, Ms. Romero, and the Chairperson.

**10. Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a management agreement with the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the following APNs: 4470-021-900, 4470-028-900 through -918, 4470-001-900, 4470-024-900, -901; 4470-021-008, -009; and portions of APNs 4470-001-003, -004, -005, -006, -008, -012, -013, Lechuza Beach, City of Malibu.**

The staff report for this item was presented by the Chief Staff Counsel.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Kishbaugh.

Comments were made by the Chief Staff Counsel and the Chairperson.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Gould, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 13-62.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Sap, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 13-62.

**11. Consideration of resolution authorizing adoption of Santa Clarita Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority FY 13/14 budget.**

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

Comments were made by the Executive Director and Mr. Gould.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Maurer, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 13-63.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 13-63.

**12. Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to California Department of Pesticide Regulation on Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action making all second generation anticoagulant rodenticide products restricted materials, and other related actions.**

The comment letter was presented by the Executive Director.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Ross; Ms. Parks; Ms. Cheadle, and Mr. Mishler.

Comments were made by the Chief Deputy Director; Mr. Sap; Ms. Maurer; Mr. Anderson; the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning; Mr. Pershing, and Ms. Rosen.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Kishbaugh, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 13-64.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Parks, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 13-64.

**13. Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to the City of Simi Valley regarding All Valley RV Storage project, CP-S-591-MOD#1, Arroyo Simi and Alamos Canyon.**

The comment letter was presented by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Parks.

Comments were made by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning, Mr. Anderson, and Ms. Rosen.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Rosen, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 13-65.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 13-65.

**14. 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 – *Kruells v. La Vina Homeowners Association, Case No. GC035668; Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy v. City of Whittier, et al., Case No. BS138796, and related cases; Morris v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority; Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Case No. BS127089; Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. California Coastal Commission, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Case No. BS129503; City of Malibu v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority and California Coastal Commission, Case No. BS129222 Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. California Coastal Commission,***

**et al. Case No. BS 121820; City of Malibu v. California Coastal Commission, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Case No. BS121650, and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. City of Malibu, and related actions, Case No. SC 092212.**

**Initiation of litigation. Number of cases: 1. Parties: Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy v. Mulholland Estates Homeowner's Association, Bartlein & Company, Inc., et al. The Conservancy may refer the following matter to the Department of Justice for potential initiation of litigation: Action to enforce public access rights to Fossil Ridge Park as recorded in the "Declaration of Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions for Mulholland Estates" recorded on August 29, 1988 as Instrument No. 88-1372488 in the Office of the Los Angeles County Recorder.**

No closed session was held.

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

The Chairperson announced that the next meeting would be held on September 23, 2013.

There being no further business, the Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

JOSEPH T. EDMISTON, FAICP HON. ASLA  
Executive Director

IRMA MUÑOZ  
Chairperson