

**Minutes of the Meeting  
of the  
Governing Board  
of the  
BALDWIN HILLS REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**

**September 1, 2022**

**AGENDA**

**I. Call to order.**

The regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority was called to order by Hon. Holly J. Mitchell at 2:05 p.m. on September 1, 2022 at various locations via internet and telephone pursuant to Government Code § 54953 (b).

**II. Roll call.**

The roll was called and the following members were present; William Vanderberg; Norma E. Garcia, Vice Chairperson, and Hon. Holly J. Mitchell, Chairperson.

Staff present: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer; Thomas Parker, Deputy County Counsel, Laura Muraida, Senior Deputy, and Liz Jennings, MRCA.

**III. Adopt findings to hold meetings by teleconference pursuant to Government Code § 54953 (b).**

A roll-call vote was administered. On motion of Ms. Garcia, the findings were unanimously adopted.

**IV. Approval of minutes for the August 6, 2021 meeting.**

A roll-call vote was administered. On motion of Ms. Garcia, the minutes of August 6, 2021 were unanimously adopted.

**V. Public testimony on all agenda items and public comment on matters not on the agenda.**

The Authority received no public comment, but noted that David McNeil was present, representing the Baldwin Hills Conservancy.

**VI. Consideration of resolution #22-001 delegating authority to the Chairperson and/or Executive Officer to negotiate and execute a Memorandum of Understanding and easement with both the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation related to responsibility for operations and maintenance of the Park-to-Playa Phase II Trail Segment, and County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works related**

**to responsibility for maintenance of the Park-to-Playa Pedestrian Bridge over La Cienega Blvd.**

A roll-call vote was administered. On motion of Mr. Vanderberg, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

**VII. Consideration of resolution #22-002 delegating authority to the Chairperson and/or Executive Officer to enter into a new Staffing Agreement and augment the funding for the existing Staffing Agreement with the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy by way of an amendment to the existing agreement.**

A roll-call vote was administered. On motion of Ms. Garcia, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

**VIII. Consideration of resolution #22-003 adopting the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget for the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority.**

A roll-call vote was administered. On motion of Ms. Garcia, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

**IX. Receive and file Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority Management and Financial Reports for Fiscal Year 2020-21**

No roll-call vote was administered.

**X. Discussion regarding Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority's current portfolio of property assets, leases and or easements, and fiscal, administrative, operational status and responsibilities, as well as current obligations to be considered under a membership representation transition from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to the Baldwin Hills Conservancy.**

Comments were made by Mr. Vanderberg; the Executive Officer; Ms. Garcia; Hon. Holly J. Mitchell, and County Counsel. A 1-year transition period was proposed and agreed to ending at the end of Fiscal Year 22-23. County Counsel explained that the transition process requires approval by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Governing Board, the Baldwin Hills Conservancy Governing Board, and ultimately the LA County Board of Supervisors. This item can return for discussion and updates but does not need to be voted on by the BHRCA Governing Board.

**XI. Statements, questions, and directions to staff pursuant to Section 54954.2 of the Government Code.**

No comments were made

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

The next meeting of this Board will be held on a date to be determined. The Chair announced that the Board will have a regular quarterly meeting in 2023 with at least one

occurring in person and that the Chair's staff will reach out to coordinate future scheduling.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  
Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, ASLA  
Executive Officer

Approved:  
Hon. Holly J. Mitchell  
Chairperson