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MINUTES
of the
GOVERNING BOARD
of the
MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

September 20, 2007

I. Call to Order.

The special meeting of the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority was called to order by Chairperson Michael Berger, at 11:05 a.m. on September 20, 2007 at the Conejo Recreation and Park District, 403 West Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, California.

II. Roll Call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: Ed Hayduk, Jerome C. Daniel, George Lange, Vice Chairperson, and Michael Berger, Chairperson.

Staff present: Laurie Collins, Chief Staff Counsel; Paul Edelman, Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning, and James Yeramian, Board Secretary.

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

No public comment was made.

IV. Consent Calendar:

- (a) **Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Terra Form Landscape Company for the Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project.**
- (b) **Consideration of resolution authorizing an amendment to contract MRCA 110/07 with Powell Constructors Inc. for the Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project.**
- (c) **Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into an agreement with County of Los Angeles for Mentryville Access Road Improvements.**

Items IV(a) and IV(b) were removed from the Consent Calendar.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 07-128 was unanimously adopted.

IV(a). Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with Terra Form Landscape Company for the Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project.

Comments were made by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Lange.

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This item was postponed to a later date.

IV(b). Consideration of resolution authorizing an amendment to contract MRCA 110/07 with Powell Constructors Inc. for the Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project.

This item was postponed to a later date.

V. Consideration of resolution authorizing application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for augmentation of grant number SMM-0692 for the Tujunga Wash Stream Restoration project.

On motion of Mr. Hayduk, duly seconded, Resolution No. 07-129 was unanimously adopted.

VI. Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a project agreement with the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District using

Proposition A Excess Funds to acquire APN's 4467-002-042, 4467-003-044, 4467-002-044, and 4467-002-060 to implement the Coastal Slope Trail and acquisition of the subject parcels, incorporated and unincorporated Malibu area.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Hayduk.

Comments were made by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 07-130 was unanimously adopted.

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

Comments were made by the Chair.

VIII. Closed Session.

The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority may hold a closed session on the following items pursuant to Government Code §§ 54956.8 and 54956.9. Confidential memoranda related to these items may be considered during such closed session discussions. Conference with legal counsel. Number of cases: 6. (1) *Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy*; (2) *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Case No. LC077488*; (3) *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Case No. BC377233*; (4) *Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. City of Malibu, and related litigation*; (5) *City of Malibu v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*, and (6) *Douglas v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*.

The Chair announced the Closed Session at 11:32 a.m. pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 to discuss the matters of *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Case No. LC077488* and *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Case No. BC377233*.

The Chair reconvened the open session at 11:41 p.m. and announced that instructions were given to negotiators regarding the matters of *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Case No. LC077488* and *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, Case No. BC377233*.

IX. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

The Chair announced that the next meeting date would be determined at another time.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP
Executive Officer

Michael Berger
Chair