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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: May 7, 2008

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item XVIII: Consideration of a resolution authorizing approval of Master License and Agreement for management and operation of Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy properties by the MRCA and amendment to Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Operations and Management of Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Properties and Exchange of Services, Equipment, and Office Facilities.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing approval of Master License and Agreement for management and operation of Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy properties by the MRCA and approval of the amendments to Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Operations and Management of Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Properties and Exchange of Services, Equipment, and Office Facilities.

Background: The MRCA Governing Board authorized the above referenced Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in March of 2004. The attached draft includes the following amendments:

Section 3.1 is amended to add Red Rock to the list of Conservancy properties at which facilities are located that are used by the MRCA.

Section 3.2 is amended to add King Gillette Ranch to the list of MRCA properties at which facilities are located to be used by the Conservancy.

Section 3.3 is amended to delete Augustus Hawkins Natural Park from the list of properties to be used by the Conservancy.

Section 3.6 is amended to delete the following language "The Executive Director of the Conservancy may...." and substitute "The Chairpersons of the Conservancy and the MRCA may....."

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The MOU at section 2.1 calls for the parties to enter into a Master License Agreement. The draft agreement entitled Master License and Agreement is attached.