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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: June 3, 2009

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item V(k): Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a trail easement or offer to dedicate a trail easement (Coastal Development Permit No. 08-032, Landis) at 5820 Trancas Canyon Road, City of Malibu.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of a trail easement or offer to dedicate a trail easement (Coastal Development Permit No. 08-032, Landis) at 5820 Trancas Canyon Road, City of Malibu.

Background: At the February 17, 2009 City of Malibu Planning Commission meeting, the City considered Coastal Development Permit (CDP) Number 08-032. The project consisted of a remodel of an existing 2,995 square foot, single-story, single-family residence with a 2,695 square foot single-story addition, a detached 2,200 square foot two-story garage/storage/office structure, and installation of an alternative onsite wastewater treatment system, including site plan review for construction in excess of 18 feet in height (22 feet proposed), three minor modifications, and an offer to dedicate a 15 foot wide trail easement at the front property line at 5820 Trancas Canyon Road (Assessor's Parcel Number 4469-001-025). Condition 47 includes the requirement for an offer to dedicate or grant of easement for a hiking and equestrian trail that shall be no less than 15 feet wide and extend along the entire width at the front property line. The easement area is also encumbered with a prior recorded slope easement and future street easement.

Public trails along and near Trancas Canyon Road have been contemplated, planned, and partially dedicated. The City's Malibu Trails System Map (March 8, 2004) identifies Trancas Road Pathway along Trancas Canyon Road, which would eventually connect from Pacific Coast Highway to the Malibu Pacific Trail/Coastal Slope Trail outside the City limits (in unincorporated Los Angeles County) on National Park Service property. Several trail offers to dedicate (or easements) exist along Trancas Canyon Road. There remain gaps along this planned trail and the final location of the trail has not been finalized. Portions may be located on the west side and portions may be located on the east side of Trancas Canyon Road, depending on what other trail easements may be effectuated.