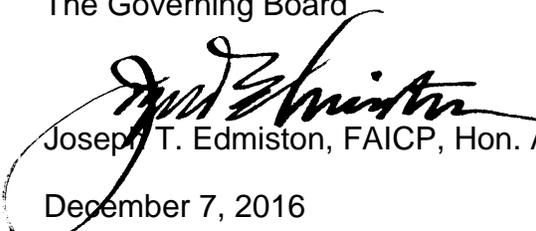


# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: December 7, 2016

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item XI: Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into an agreement with the Trust for Public Land to accept a conservation easement totaling approximately 10.2 acres over portions of APN 5571-025-042 in Curson Canyon watershed and authorizing acceptance of said conservation easement, City of Los Angeles.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing entering into an agreement with the Trust for Public Land (TPL) to accept a conservation easement totaling approximately 10.2 acres over portions of APN 5571-025-042 in Curson Canyon watershed and authorizing acceptance of said conservation easement.

Background: The Trust for Public Land has put together a complex land deal to acquire twenty acres located between the City of Los Angeles' Runyon Canyon Park and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority's (MRCA) Trebek open space in Nichols and Curson canyons. There are multiple secured funding sources totaling over \$7,000,000. The deal provides both fee simple open space to be held by the City's Department of Recreation and Parks and conservation easements that are being offered to the MRCA. The City also acquires a key trail easement. The attached figures show the subject land interest additions.

At no cost to the MRCA, the MRCA would accept 10.2 acres of conservation easement (in two sections) on APN 5571-025-042 in the Curson Canyon watershed. An attached figure shows the boundaries of the subject 10.2 acres. The proposed action authorizes entering into an agreement with TPL and subsequent acceptance of the conservation easement(s). There is no liability legal or financial associated with holding the easement.