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

June 29, 2016

I. Call to order.

The special meeting of the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority was called to order by Chairperson George Lange, at 2:03 p.m. on Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at King Gillette Ranch, Dormitory Conference Room, 26800 Mulholland Highway, Calabasas, California.

II. Roll Call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: Larry Peterson; Jim Hasenauer; Jerome C. Daniel, Vice Chairperson, and George Lange, Chairperson. A quorum was present.

Staff Present: Joseph T. Edmiston, Executive Officer, FAICP, Hon, ASLA; Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer; Paul Edelman, Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning; Jeff Maloney, Chief Staff Counsel; Dash Stolarz, Director of Public Affairs; Walt Young, Chief of Operations; James Yeramian, Staff Services Manager.

III. Public Testimony on all agenda items, public comment on matters not on the agenda.

No members of the public addressed the Authority.

IV. Consideration of resolution declaring intention to establish Community Facilities District No. 2016-1.

The staff report for this item was presented by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

Comments were made by Ms. Jeanette Hynson, representing SCI Consulting Group.

Questions were propounded by the Chair, Mr. Hasenauer, Mr. Peterson, and Mr. Daniel.

Comments were made by Ms. Hynson, the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning, the Executive Officer, and the Chief of Operations.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 16-90 was unanimously adopted.

V. Consideration of resolution declaring intention to establish Community Facilities District No. 2016-2.

The staff report for this item was presented by the Director of Public Affairs.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Hasenauer and the Chair.

Comments were made by the Director of Public Affairs, Ms. Hynson, the Chief of Operations, and the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

On motion of Mr. Hasenauer, duly seconded, Resolution No. 16-91 was unanimously adopted.

VI. Consideration of resolution authorizing a professional services contract with SCI Consulting Group for analysis, research, planning and proceedings to formulate two Community Facilities Districts.

The staff report for this item was presented by the Director of Public Affairs.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Daniel.

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

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 16-92 was unanimously adopted.

VII. Consideration of resolution directing staff to implement steps required for establishing Community Facilities Districts No. 2016-1 and 2016-2.

The staff report for this item was presented by the Director of Public Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Hasenauer, duly seconded, Resolution No. 16-93 was unanimously adopted.

VIII. Consideration of resolution authorizing submission of a grant application to, and authorizing entering into a grant agreement with, the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for Proposition 12 funds for project planning and design services for coastal trail and access projects, unincorporated Los Angeles County and City of Malibu.

The staff report for this item was presented by the Executive Officer.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Daniel and Mr. Peterson.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer and Mr. Daniel.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, Resolution No. 16-94 was unanimously adopted.

IX. Consideration of resolution authorizing the acquisition of APN 2017-005-020 totaling approximately 30.7 acres using Proposition 1 funds and in-lieu mitigation fees, Woolsey Canyon, Chatsworth, City of Los Angeles. Negotiators: Joseph T. Edmiston and Tim Barden. Under consideration: price and terms. (This item may be heard in closed session pursuant to Government Code § 54956.8.)

The staff report for this item was presented by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Daniel and the Chair.

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

On motion of Mr. Hasenauer, duly seconded, Resolution No. 16-95 was unanimously adopted.

X. Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a donation of approximately 0.13 acres, APN 4380-030-011, adjacent to existing MRCA open space, Beverly Glen Canyon, City of Los Angeles.

The staff report for this item was presented by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Daniel and the Chair.

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

On motion of Mr. Hasenauer, duly seconded, Resolution No. 16-96 was unanimously adopted.

XI. Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the California Coastal Commission for acceptance of funds for the development of low-cost visitor serving overnight accommodations in Puerco Canyon.

This item was postponed to a later date.

XII. 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: eleven (11). (1) *Malibu-Encinal Homeowners Association v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*, Case No. BC431798; (2) *Morris v. City of Los Angeles, et al.*, Case No. BC448511; (3) *Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. City of Whittier, Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, et al.*, Case No. BS136211, and related cases, (4) *Friends of the Hastain Trail, et al. v. Coldwater Investments, et al.*, Case No. BC469573; (5) *Prop "A" Protective Association, LLC v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, et al.*, Case No. BS 145771 and related cases; (6) *Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, The Trust for Public Land, et al. v. City of Whittier, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, et al.*, Case No. BS146670 and related cases; (7) *Denman, et al. v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*; (8) *LADWP v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, et al.*, Case No. BC582732; (9) *Geffen v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*; (10) *Michael F. Ashley, Trustee of Ashley Construction, Inc. Money Purchase Pension Plan v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, et al.*, Case No. BC614622, and (11) *Brentwood Hills Homeowners Association, the Hillside Federation, and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MCRA) v. Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority (LA-RICS Authority)*.

No closed session was held.

XIII. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

The Chairperson announced that the next meeting would be held on July 6, 2016.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joseph T. Edmiston
Executive Officer

George Lange
Chairperson