MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

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

DATE: January 4, 2017

SUBJECT: Agenda Item XX: Consideration of resolution entering into an agreement regarding the construction and maintenance of trails and open space at the La Vina development in Altadena.

Staff Recommendation: That the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) authorize entering into an agreement regarding the construction and maintenance of trails and open space at the La Vina development in Altadena.

Background:

In 2014, the MRCA applied for and received a grant from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (“Conservancy”) to improve and maintain certain multi-use trails and open space in and around the La Vina development in Altadena.

The proposed resolution will authorize the MRCA to enter into a follow up agreement with the Conservancy and the County of Los Angeles (“County”) to more particularly describe the obligations of the parties to the agreement, including the provision of $100,000 in funding for said purposes from the County.

Ultimately, the Conservancy will accept fee title to certain real property in the development and the MRCA will be responsible for the improvement of the public trails and the management of the open space properties.

Upon execution of the proposed agreement, there will be a total of $200,000 available (minus costs already incurred for survey work) for the improvement of the trails.