

## MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: The Governing Board,

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

DATE: February 1, 2017

SUBJECT: Agenda Item X: Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a Chapter 8 Agreement with Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector

to acquire parcels removed from the 2016B public auction.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing entering into a Chapter 8 Agreement with Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector to acquire parcels removed from the 2016B public auction.

<u>Background</u>: The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) has historically entered into many Chapter 8 Agreements with Los Angeles County to acquire tax defaulted properties. The MRCA has acquired over 1,500 acres though this process.

Three parcels were successfully pulled from the 2016B auction in June 2016. Los Angeles County Tax Collector's Office has issued Chapter 8 Agreement 2762, containing these three subject parcels: APNs 2845-005-001, 5462-009-014, and 5549-015-018. A brief description of the parcels follows along with attached aerial photographs with the parcel boundaries.

APN 2845-005-001 abuts a cluster of MRCA parcels in a Kagel Canyon subwatershed drainage just south of the Angeles National Forest.

APN 5462-009-014 contains canyon bottom habitat, protected trees, and a trail in an undeveloped Glassell Park drainage.

APN 5549-015-018 in the Hollywood Heights area of Los Angeles contains oak woodland in a habitat block connected to the Hollywood Bowl Open Space.