

MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

Governing Board Meeting April 5, 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Government Code § 54954 that the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at the Conejo Recreation and Park District, 403 West Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, California.

AGENDA

- I. Call to order.
- II. Roll call.
- III. Public Testimony on all agenda items and public comment on matters not on the agenda.
- IV. Approval of Minutes.
- V. Reports from Staff:
 - (a) Fire Division;
 - (b) Ranger Services;
 - (c) Legal;
 - (d) Natural Resources and Planning;
 - (e) Outreach and Engagement;
 - (f) Developed Resources;
 - (g) Construction;
 - (h) Finance.
- VI. Consent Calendar:
 - (a) Consideration of resolution accepting the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority warrant disbursements for the period of February 17, 2017 to March 16, 2017.
 - (b) Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of donation of approximately 0.36 acres, APN 4444-026-024, Topanga Canyon, unincorporated Los Angeles County.

- (c) Consideration of resolution authorizing entering in a contract with the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority for pre-acquisition and acquisition services, Puente Hills Wildlife Corridor east of Colima Road, County of Los Angeles.
 - (d) Consideration of resolution authorizing contract with Vision y Compromiso for training for the Community Liaison Pilot Project.
 - (e) Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract with SCI Consulting Group for administration of Community Facilities Districts 1 and 2 (Open Space Protection and Fire Prevention) for fiscal years 2017-18, 2018-19 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22.
 - (f) Consideration of resolution approving the application for grant funds for California Climate Investments Urban Greening program for land acquisition and trail and public access improvements at Elephant Hill.
 - (g) Consideration of resolution in opposition to proposed zone change of the Weddington Golf and Tennis property (APN 2375-018-020) adjacent the Upper Los Angeles River, and in support of Councilmember Paul Krekorian's (Council District 2) efforts to preserve said property as public open space, authorizing the use of the MRCA name and logo on relevant sign-on letters and related materials, City of Los Angeles.
 - (h) Consideration of resolution accepting transfer of approximately 4.12 acres, APN 5762-002-005, from the Sierra Madre Conservancy.
 - (i) Consideration of resolution authorizing application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for a Proposition 1 Project Planning and Design grant to produce wildland – development interface watershed protection plans for portions of Decker, Lachusa, Encinal, Ramirez, Escondido, Latigo, Solstice, Corral and Puerco Canyons, incorporated and unincorporated Malibu.
 - (j) Consideration of resolution authorizing designation of applicant's agent resolution for non-state agencies.
- VII. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for Proposition 84 funds for improvements at Zev Yaroslavsky Greenway project.
- VIII. Consideration of resolution authorizing: (1) acceptance of an approximately 3-acre conservation easement over a portion of APN 3137-007-020; (2) entering into a

management and monitoring agreement, and (3) acceptance of management and monitoring fees, City of Lancaster.

- IX. Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a Project Agreement with the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District to acquire APN 2052-013-040 and authorizing acquisition of said parcel, Liberty Canyon, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
- X. Consideration of resolution (a) authorizing acceptance of conservation easements over APNs 2813-015-011, 012 and 2813-016-013, approximately 124-acres, and (b) acceptance of easement monitoring funding, Vasquez Canyon, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
- XI. Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a Project Agreement with the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District to acquire Ballard Mountain parcels and authorize the acquisition of APN 2058-008-023, approximately 40 acres, Lobo Canyon watershed, unincorporated Los Angeles County.
- XII. Report from the Chief Ranger regarding MRCA Ranger General Order 17-1, concerning cooperation with Federal Law Enforcement Officers during immigration enforcement activities on MRCA owned or managed property.
- XIII. 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: ten (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) *Prop "A" Protective Association, LLC v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, et al.*, Case No. BS 145771 and related cases; (5) *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; (6) *Denman, et al. v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*; (7) *Geffen v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*; (8) *Sycamore Park Private Community Group, et al. v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy*; (9) *Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, et al. v.*

Southern California Edison; (10) Compean v. Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conser., et al., and (11) Cruz v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, et al.

XIV. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

Public comment is welcome on any agenda item and matters not on the agenda. During the meeting, the Governing Board may hold a closed session on any item pursuant to Government Code §§ 54956.8 and 54956.9. Unless otherwise ordered, individuals will be allowed three minutes to speak and representatives and organizations/agencies will be given five minutes. For further information on any agenda item please contact Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer, at (310) 589-3230, extension 112.

Note: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, if you require a disability-related modification or accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please call James Yeramian at 310-589-3230, extension 118, at least 10 hours prior to the meeting.

Note: The entire agenda package and any meeting related writings or documents provided to a majority of the Board members after distribution of an agenda package, unless exempt from disclosure pursuant to California Law, will be available at the Conejo Recreation and Park District offices, 403 West Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, California.