



MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM: 
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DATE: December 4, 2019

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item XI: Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a revocable open space easements, or similar instruments, from the City of Los Angeles over all or parts of APNs 4416-007-902, 903, 904, 905 in the Paseo Miramar area, Pacific Palisades.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of a revocable open space easements, or similar instruments, from the City of Los Angeles over all or parts of APNs 4416-007-902, 903, 904, 905 in the Paseo Miramar area of the Pacific Palisades.

Background: In approximately 2015 the City of Los Angeles took ownership of the four subject parcels after a legal action regarding land slippage from the prior owner. The Miramar Homeowners Association has been working with the City since 2016 to have conservation easements or similar open space easements placed on the property in favor of another public entity. The attached motion is moving through the City Council approval process to grant such revocable easements to the MRCA. The properties lie in between MRCA and State Parks property. For watershed, viewshed, and ecological purposes it makes sense for the MRCA to accept the subject easements at no cost. The MRCA would have no liability. The HOA and City desire for the MRCA to recommend a landscape firm from an established list to plant the easements for aesthetic and habitat benefits.