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

**June 24, 2020**

**I. Call to order.**

The special telephonic meeting of the Governing Board of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority was called to order by Chairperson George Lange, at 10:15 a.m., on June 24, 2020 via zoom call.

**II. Roll Call.**

The roll was called and the following members were present: Irma R. Muñoz; Dan Paranick; Jim Hasenauer, Vice Chairperson, and George Lange, Chairperson. A quorum was present.

Staff Present: Joseph T. Edmiston, Executive Officer, FAICP, Hon; Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer; Paul Edelman, Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning; Angelica Ochoa, Staff Counsel; Walt Young, Deputy Executive Officer of Operations; Fernando Gomez, Chief Ranger; Sarah Rascon, Urban River Projects Officer; Cara Meyer, Deputy Executive Officer of Urban Projects; Dash Stolarz, Director of Public Affairs, and James Yeramian, Staff Services Manager.

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

The following members of the public addressed the Authority:

- Elva Yañez, member of the public, on matters not on the agenda.
- Carolina Soloranzo, member of the public, on matters not on the agenda.
- Ileana Wachtel, member of the public, on matters not on the agenda.
- Bahara Stapleberg, member of the public, on matters not on the agenda.
- Alan Yañez, member of the public, on matters not on the agenda.
- John Given, representing Hillside Federation, on matters not on the agenda.
- Martine Anderson, member of the public, on matters not on the agenda.

**IV. Approval of minutes.**

The minutes of June 24, 2020 were submitted for approval.

The minutes of June 24, 2020 were approved as submitted.

**V. Consent Calendar:**

- (a) **Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of the offers to dedicate scenic easements and/or open space easements associated with Coastal Development Permit No. 5-91-436 (BMIF/BSLF Rancho Malibu), incorporated and unincorporated Malibu.**
- (b) **Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of the offers to dedicate scenic easements and/or open space easements associated with Coastal Development Permit No. 5-90-525 (Fred Winograd), incorporated and unincorporated Malibu.**
- (c) **Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of the offers to dedicate scenic easements and/or open space easements associated with Coastal Development Permit No. 4-98-196 (Omata), incorporated and unincorporated Malibu.**
- (d) **Consideration of resolution supporting SB 1296 (Durazo).**

On motion of Mr. Hasenauer, duly seconded Resolution Nos. 20-63 through 20-66 were unanimously adopted.

Item VII was heard next.

**VII. Consideration of resolution declaring intention to establish Community Facilities District No. 2020-1, City of Los Angeles.**

[Ms. Muñoz was noted as leaving the meeting at 10:54 a.m.]

The Authority received an oral report by Mr. Tim McLarney, representing True North Research.

Questions were propounded by the Chairperson and Mr. Paranick.

Comments were made by the Chief Deputy Executive Officer; Mr. McLarney; Mr. Gerard Van Styne and Ms. Jeanette Hynson, representing SCI Consulting Group, and the Director of Public Affairs.

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Hasenauer, duly seconded, Resolution No. 20-67 was unanimously adopted.

**VI. Consideration of resolution authorizing a sole source contract with SCI Consulting Group for the formation and administration of proposed Community Facilities District 2020-1, City of Los Angeles.**

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

Questions were propounded by Messrs. Hasenauer and Paranick.

Comments were made by Mr. Van Styne and Ms. Hynson, representing SCI Consulting Group.

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Paranick, duly seconded, Resolution No. 20-68 was unanimously adopted.

**VIII. Consideration of an amendment to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Park Ordinance Establishing Park Rules and Regulations and Prescribing the Punishment for Violation Thereof.**

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

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Paranick, duly seconded, the item was adopted.

**IX. 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: seven(7). (1) Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. Berggruen***

***Institute et al.; (2) Sycamore Park Private Community Group, et al. v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy; (3) Fishback v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority; (4) Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. GSV Sustainability Partners, Inc.; (5) Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. Morrison, et al.; (6) Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority v. Southern California Edison, and (7) Limbocker v. Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.***

No closed session was held.

**X. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.**

The Chairperson announced that the next meeting would be held on July 1, 2020.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joseph T. Edmiston  
Executive Officer

George Lange  
Chairperson