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

July 1, 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 10:03 a.m., on July 1, 2020 via zoom call.

II. Roll Call.

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

The following member was absent: Irma R. Muñoz.

Staff Present: Joseph T. Edmiston, Executive Officer, FAICP, Hon; Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Executive Officer; Paul Edelman, Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning; Jeff Maloney, Chief Staff Counsel; Amy Lethbridge, Deputy Executive Officer of Outreach and Engagement; Walt Young, Deputy Executive Officer of Operations; Tim Miller, Deputy Executive Officer of Construction; Fernando Gomez, Chief Ranger; Ken Nelson, Chief of Fire Division; Brian Baldauf, Chief of Park Development; Sarah Rascon, Urban River Projects Officer; Elena Eger, Special Counsel; Maribelle Franco, Deputy Chief of Developed Resources, Cara Meyer, Deputy Executive Officer of Urban Projects; Basem Mosaad, Deputy Financial Officer; Melissa Smith, Chief Deputy Financial Officer, and James Yeramian, Staff Services Manager.

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

No members of the public addressed the Authority.

IV. Consideration of resolution reestablishing regular meetings of the Authority pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act and in compliance with Executive Order N-29-20.

A local public agency exercising joint powers of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, the Conejo Recreation & Park District, and the Rancho Simi Recreation & Park District pursuant to Section 6500 et seq. of the Government Code.
The Executive Officer presented the staff report for this item.

A roll-call vote was administered.

On motion of Mr. Paranick, duly seconded, Resolution No. 20-69(a) was unanimously adopted.

V. 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.

VI. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.

The Chairperson announced that the next meeting would be held on July 29, 2020.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:                             Approved:

Joseph T. Edmiston                                      George Lange
Executive Officer                                        Chairperson