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MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING  
*of the*  
SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY  
*and the*  
SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 28, 2010

**1. Call to order.**

The 371<sup>st</sup> joint meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Advisory Committee was called to order by Conservancy Chairperson Ron Schafer at 7:53 p.m. on June 28, 2010 at Franklin Canyon Park, 2600 Franklin Canyon Drive, Beverly Hills, California.

**2. Roll Call of Conservancy.**

The Conservancy roll was called and the following members were present: Sara Wan, Evan Jones, Jerome C. Daniel, Linda Parks, Antonio Gonzalez, Vice Chairperson, and Ron Schafer, Chairperson. The following members were absent: James Berkus and Bryan Cash. A quorum was present.

**3. Roll Call of Advisory Committee.**

The Advisory Committee roll was called and the following members were present: Caroline Brown, Dave Brown, Alan Kishbaugh, Mary Sue Maurer, Paul Rabinov, Roseann Mikos, Paul Rockenstein, Wendy-Sue Rosen, Marc Stirdivant, Donald Voss, Timothy Wendler, Garen Yegparian, George Lange, Vice Chairperson, and Don Robinson, Vice Chairperson. The following members were absent: Michael Blanton, Michael Cacciotti, Elaine Freeman, Richard Gould, Dennis Seider, Harry Schwarz, Nancy Stephens, and Charles Stringer. A quorum was present.

Staff present: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Director; Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Director; Laurie Collins, Chief Staff Counsel; Paul Edelman, Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning, and James Yeramian, Board Secretary.

**4. Introduction of Legislative Participants or their staff.**

No legislative participants were present.

**5. Approval of Minutes.**

The minutes of May 24, 2010 were submitted for review.

Comments were made by Mr. Daniel.

The minutes of May 24, 2010 were approved as amended.

The Chair was noted as abstaining.

**6. Reports.**

The Conservancy received oral reports from the Chair, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lange, and the Executive Director.

**7. Members comments on matters not on the agenda.**

Comments were made by Mr. Robinson.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Yegparian.

Comments were made by Mr. Robinson and Executive Director.

**8. Comments from members of the public on items not on the agenda and public testimony on all agenda items.**

No members of the public addressed the Conservancy.

**9. Consent Calendar:**

- (a) **Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a memorandum of understanding with the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the management, operation, and improvement of the portion of Franklin Canyon Park owned by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.**
- (b) **Consideration of resolution authorizing settlement of a claim against the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority for damages to a kiosk and other property at Temescal Gateway Park.**

- (c) **Consideration of resolution authorizing budget amendment SMM-0761.**
- (d) **Consideration of resolution authorizing a letter supporting designation of additional wilderness area and wild rivers in the Angeles National Forest.**
- (e) **Consideration of resolution retroactively authorizing a comment letter on the Mitigated Negative Declaration for a RV and contractor storage facility at 890-900 West Los Angeles Avenue, Simi Valley.**
- (f) **Consideration of resolution approving the Santa Clarita Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority FY 2010-2011 Budget.**
- (g) **Consideration of resolution authorizing the amended Santa Clarita Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority Memorandum of Understanding with the Conservancy, City of Santa Clarita, and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.**

Item 9(c) was removed from the agenda.

Item 9(e) was removed from the Consent Calendar.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Kishbaugh, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution Nos. 10-24, 10-25, 10-27, 10-29, and 10-30.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution Nos. 10-24, 10-25, 10-27, 10-29, and 10-30.

- 9(e). Consideration of resolution retroactively authorizing a comment letter on the Mitigated Negative Declaration for a RV and contractor storage facility at 890-900 West Los Angeles Avenue, Simi Valley.**

Comments were made by Ms. Mikos.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Rosen.

Comments were made by the Deputy Director of Natural Resources and Planning.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Mikos, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 10-28.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 10-28.

**10. Presentation of the Puente Hills MRCA Ranger program.**

This item was removed from the agenda.

**11. Consideration of resolution approving the preliminary FY 2010-2011 budget of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.**

The staff report for this item was presented by Jeff Jones, Assistant Financial Officer of the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority.

Comments were made by the Executive Director and Mr. Lange.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Mikos and Ms. Parks.

Comments were made by Mr. Jones, the Chair, and the Executive Director.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Mikos, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 10-31.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Gonzalez, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 10-31.

**12. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant augmentation and scope change for SMM-0776 to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for work associated with the Malibu Parks Public Access Enhancement Plan – Public Works Plan.**

The staff report for this item was presented by the Executive Director.

Comments were made by Ms. Rosen.

Questions were propounded by Messrs. Daniel and Voss.

Comments were made by the Executive Director and Ms. Wan.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Rosen, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee, by a show of hands, unanimously recommended adoption of Resolution No. 10-32.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Daniel, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 10-32.

- 13. Closed Session: (The Conservancy may hold a closed session on the following items pursuant to Section 11126 Subdivision (c)(7)(A), Section 11126.3(a), and Section 11126 Subdivision (e) of the Government Code. Confidential memoranda related to the following items may be considered during such closed session discussions.) Discussion and possible action regarding pending and/or potential litigation: Pending litigation – *Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. California Coastal Commission*, et al.; *Lt-WR, LLC v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy SC105587*; *Robings v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Case No. LC077488*; *Friends of Temescal Pool v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*; *Robings v Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Case No. BC377233*, *City of Malibu v. California Coastal Commission, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority Case No.BS121650*, and *Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy v. City of Malibu*, and related actions.**

No closed session was held.

- 14. Announcement of future meetings and adjournment.**

The Chair announced that the next meeting would be held on a July 26 2010 at King Gillette Ranch in Calabasas, California.

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

JOSEPH T. EDMISTON, FAICP  
Executive Director

Approved:

RONALD P. SCHAFER  
Chairperson