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

March 28, 2011

**1. Call to order.**

The 378<sup>th</sup> joint meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Advisory Committee was called to order by Conservancy Vice Chairperson Jerome C. Daniel at 7:33 p.m. on March 28, 2011 at Franklin Canyon Park, Sooky Goldman Nature Center, 2600 Franklin Canyon Drive, Beverly Hills, California 90210.

**2. Administration of Oath of Office to new members.**

The Executive Director administered the Oath of Office to Advisory Committee member John Edelston.

**3. Roll Call of Conservancy.**

The Conservancy roll was called and the following members were present: Irma Muñoz, Elizabeth Cheadle, Bryan Cash, Craig Sap, and Jerome C. Daniel, Vice Chairperson. A quorum was present. The following members were absent: Woody Smeck, James Berkus, Linda Parks, and Antonio Gonzalez, Chairperson.

**4. Roll Call of Advisory Committee.**

The Advisory Committee roll was called and the following members were present: Sean Anderson, Caroline Brown, John Edelston, Richard Gould, Alan Kishbaugh, Paul Rabinov, Roseann Mikos, David Ross, Effie Turnbull Sanders, Marc Stirdivant, Donald Voss, George Lange, Vice Chairperson, and Donald Robinson, Chairperson. A quorum was present. The following members were present subsequent to roll call: Dave Brown, Mary Sue Maurer, and Nancy Stephens. The following members were absent: Allison-Claire Acker, Michael Cacciotti, Elaine Freeman, Anita Fromholz, Paul Rockenstein, Wendy-Sue Rosen, Dennis Seider, Charles Stringer, Timothy Wendler, and Garen Yegparian.

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; Melissa Cartelli, Associate Governmental Program Analyst

and James Yeramian, Board Secretary.

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

The Vice Chairperson announced that Rebekah Rodriguez-Lynn was present.

**6. Approval of Minutes.**

The minutes of February 28, 2011 were submitted for approval.

The minutes of February 28, 2011 were approved as submitted.

**7. Reports:**

The Conservancy received verbal reports from the Executive Director and Barbara Romero, Chief of Urban Parks for the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority; George Lange, representing the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, and Richard Gould, representing the Santa Clarita Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority.

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

Comments were made by Ms. Maurer and Mr. Voss.

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

The following members addressed the Conservancy:

Mr. John Nagler, member of the public, on item 11.

Mr. Gene Wise, representing Iredell Resident, on item 11.

Mr. Barry Julien, member of the public, on item 11.

Mr. Nathan Fillion, member of the public, on item 11.

Ms. Ellen Scott, representing Save Franklin Canyon, on matters not on the agenda.

The Vice Chairperson announced that the need to add an emergency item to closed session had arisen subsequent to posting of the agenda.

**CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:**

On motion of Ms. Cheadle, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously decided to add the emergency item to the Conservancy's closed session agenda.

**10. Consent Calendar:**

- (a) Consideration of resolution authorizing letter of support for the Ventura County Watershed Protection District application for Department of Water Resources Flood Corridor Protection grant funds, Arroyo Simi, Moorpark area.**
- (b) Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to City of Los Angeles on Forest Lawn Memorial Park – Hollywood Hills Master Plan Draft Environmental Impact Report (SCH No. 2008111048), City of Los Angeles.**

Item 10(a) was removed from the agenda.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Gould, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 11-20.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Cheadle, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 11-20.

Mr. Robinson recused himself from this item.

- 10(a). (Consideration of resolution authorizing letter of support for the Ventura County Watershed Protection District application for Department of Water Resources Flood Corridor Protection grant funds, Arroyo Simi, Moorpark area.**

Comments were made by Mr. Kishbaugh and Ms. Mikos.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Kishbaugh, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 11-19.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Cheadle, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 11-11.

**11. Presentation and discussion of parking issues at Wilacre Park.**

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

Comments were made by Ranger Fernando Gomez.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Anderson, Ms. Brown, Mr. Brown, and Ms. Muñoz.

Comments were made by the Executive Director and Ranger Fernando Gomez.

**12. Consideration of resolution authorizing augmentation of SMM-0754 to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for project planning and design services in the upper Los Angeles River watershed and coastal watersheds of Santa Monica Bay.**

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Kishbaugh, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 11-21.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Parks, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 11-21.

**13. Consideration of resolution authorizing a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for the restoration and improvement of Hollywood Bowl Overlook, City of Los Angeles.**

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

Questions were propounded by Messrs. Cash, Kishbaugh, and Edelston.

Comments were made by the Executive Director and the Vice Chairperson.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Kishbaugh, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 11-22.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Ms. Cheadle, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 11-22.

- 14. Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of donation of fee title on and over APN's 2561-007-010; 2561-007-012; 2561-007-007; 2401-032-008; 2561-033-002; 2561-033-003; 2562-004-011; 2562-005-003; 2562-005-004; 2562-005-006; 2562-005-007; 2401-032-003; 2401-032-005; 2401-032-006; 2401-032-007; 2561-009-005; 2561-009-006; 2561-009-010; 2561-009-012; 2561-009-016; 2545-018-004; 2546-010-009; 2561-007-013; 2545-018-002; 2546-010-005; 2561-007-016; 2561-007-018; 2561-007-019; 2561-007-021; 2561-007-022; 2562-004-008; 2401-034-003; 2561-009-007; 2561-009-013; 2561-009-015; 2561-033-001; 2562-004-006 (portion); 2562-004-014; 2562-006-005; 2562-006-008; 2562-003-012 (portion); 2562-003-015; and 2561-031-004, Verdugo Mountains, City of Los Angeles.**

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

Comments were made by Mr. Rabinov.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Stirdivant, duly seconded, the Advisory Committee recommended adoption of Resolution No. 11-23.

CONSERVANCY CONSIDERATION:

On motion of Mr. Cash, duly seconded, the Conservancy unanimously adopted Resolution No. 11-23.

- 15. 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 – *Morris v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*; *Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*, Case No. BS127089; *Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. California Coastal Commission, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority*, Case No. BS129503; *City of Malibu v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy and Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority and California Coastal Commission*, Case No. BS129222 *Ramirez Canyon Preservation Fund v. California Coastal Commission*, et al. Case No. BS 121820; *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, Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy v. City of Malibu, and Moradzadeh v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, and related actions.***

The Vice Chairperson convened the closed session at 9:00 p.m. to discuss *LT-WE, LLC v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy*.

The Vice Chairperson reconvened the open session at 9:18 an announced that *LT-WE, LLC v. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy* was discussed in closed session.

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

The Vice Chairperson announced that the next meeting would be held on April 25, 2011 at a location to be determined.

There being no further business, the Vice Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

JOSEPH T. EDMISTON, FAICP Hon. ASLA  
Executive Director

Approved:

JEROME C. DANIEL  
Vice Chairperson