

# **WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**

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## **MINUTES of the Advisory Committee of the WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**

**May 4, 2011**

### **I. Call to order.**

The regular meeting of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairperson Helen Rahder at 5:40 p.m. on May 4, 2011 in the Council Chambers, Whittier City Hall, 13230 E. Penn Street, Whittier, California.

### **II. Administration of oath of office to new member.**

The Project Analyst administered the oath of office to Ken Kietzer.

### **III. Roll Call.**

The roll was called and the following members were present: Helen Rahder, Chair, Claire Schlotterbeck, Vice-Chair, Sona McCoy, Secretary, Alissa Ing, Bob Kanne, Ken Kietzer, and Robert Turner. Quorum present.

The following members were absent: Shelley Andros, Stephen Davis, William Madden, Roland vom Dorp, and Jeff Yann.

Staff present: Judi Tamasi, Project Analyst and Diane Sacks, Board Secretary.

Public present: Mangal Gulshan and Evonne Liew, Diamond Bar Patch.

### **IV. Election of Officers.**

The Vice-Chair nominated Helen Rahder for Chair.

Ms. Rahder was unanimously elected as Chair.

The Chair nominated Claire Schlotterbeck for Vice-Chair.

Ms. Schlotterbeck was unanimously elected as Vice-Chair.

**V. Special recognition of Wilbur Smith, former Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Advisory Committee member, for extraordinary accomplishments.**

Comments were made by the Chair.

**VI. Special recognition of John Beauman, former Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Governing Board member, for extraordinary accomplishments.**

Comments were made by the Chair, Vice-Chair and Mr. Turner.

**VII. Comments by members of the public on items not on the agenda and public testimony on all agenda items. Except for items noticed as public hearings, all public comments shall be heard during the public comments section of the agenda. Individuals will be allowed three minutes to speak and representatives of organizations/agencies will be allowed five minutes to speak.**

No comments were made.

**VIII. Advisory Committee and staff response to public comment. At this time the Advisory Committee and staff will respond to public comment and questions.**

No comments were made.

**IX. Approval of minutes from the meeting of October 6, 2010 (including bullet minutes).**

Comments were made by the Vice-Chair.

Questions were propounded by Ms. Ing.

On motion of the Vice-Chair, duly seconded, minutes from the meeting of October 6, 2010 were approved with changes.

**X. Update on Governing Board meeting held on October 6, 2010.**

An update was given by the Project Analyst.

**XI. Comments and announcements from Advisory Committee Members.**

Comments were made by the Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Ms. Ing and Mr. Turner.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Vice-Chair, Secretary and Ms. Ing.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Kietzer.

Comments were made by the Chair, Vice-Chair and Ms. Ing.

Questions were propounded by the Vice-Chair.

Comments were made by Messrs. Turner, Kanne, and Gulshan.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Turner.

Comments were made by the Chair, Vice-Chair, and Messrs. Turner and Kanne.

**XII. Consideration of resolution recommending that the Governing Board authorize a comment letter to County of Los Angeles on the Draft 2035 General Plan, including proposed Significant Ecological Areas.**

Comments were made by the Chair.

A report was given by the Project Analyst.

Comments were made by Ms. Ing.

Questions were propounded by the Vice-Chair

Comments were made by the Project Analyst.

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Comments were made by the Project Analyst and Ms. Ing.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Vice-Chair, Project Analyst and Ms. Ing.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chair, Vice-Chair, Project Analyst, Ms. Ing and Mr. Gulshan.

Questions were propounded by the Project Analyst.

Comments were made by Ms. Ing.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chair, Vice-Chair and Ms. Ing.

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Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chair, Vice-Chair, Project Analyst, Ms. Ing and Mr. Turner.

On motion of the Vice-Chair, duly seconded, Resolution No. 11-01 was unanimously adopted with the Advisory Committee recommending changes be incorporated into the letter.

***(The full text of this resolution is attached.)***

**XIII. Discussion and possible action regarding United States Army Corps of Engineers Vegetation Policy for Levees, San Gabriel Valley.**

A report was given by the Project Analyst.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Turner.

Comments were made by the Project Analyst.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Turner.

Comments were made by the Chair, Vice-Chair, Ms. Ing and Mr. Kanne.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

The Chair recommended adopting the letter incorporating the discussed changes to the letter.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Turner.

Comments were made by the Vice-Chair and Ms. Ing.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Turner.

Comments were made by the Chair, Vice-Chair, Ms. Ing and Mr. Turner.

On motion of the Chair, duly seconded, the letter was unanimously adopted.

**XIV. Update and discussion regarding Whittier Main Oil Field Development Project.**

The Chair announced hearing this item at a future meeting.

**XV. Reports from Advisory sub-committees:**

- a. Outreach subcommittee, Roland vom Dorp, Chair.
- b. Media Liaison subcommittee, Helen Rahder, Chair.
- c. Ecological subcommittee.
- d. Fund Raising subcommittee, Roland vom Dorp, Chair.
- e. Habitat subcommittee, William Madden, Chair.
- f. Legislative subcommittee, Claire Schlotterbeck, Chair.

No comments were made.

**XVI. Statements, responses, questions, or directions to staff pursuant to Section 54956.2(a) of the Government Code which state the following:**

“No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public, a member of a legislative body or its staff may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities. Furthermore, a member of a legislative

body, or the body itself, subject to rules or procedures of the legislative body, may provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.”

Comments were made by the Chair and Vice-Chair.

Questions were propounded by the Vice-Chair.

Comments were made by the Chair.

**XVII. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

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Judi Tamasi  
Project Analyst

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Helen Rahder  
Chairperson