

April 23, 2012; Agenda Item No. 16

Resolution No. 12-26

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING A GRANT TO THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY FROM THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY FUND TO PRODUCE A SHORT DOCUMENTARY ABOUT THE EARLY HISTORY OF EFFORTS TO PRESERVE THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS- FOR USE AT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS INTERAGENCY VISITOR CENTER AT KING GILLETTE RANCH AND FOR OTHER PUBLIC SERVICE PURPOSES

WHEREAS, The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is authorized to award grants to local agencies pursuant to 33204.27(a) of the Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, a strategic objective of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is to expand education, public access, and resource stewardship components in a manner that best serves the public; and

WHEREAS, The National Park Service, California State Parks, The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy are opening an interagency visitor center; and

WHEREAS, the visitor center would be an appropriate venue to educate the public with a short documentary about the early history of land conservation in the Santa Monica Mountains and the efforts of citizens and public agencies to preserve the mountains; and

WHEREAS, the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority has compiled archival material pertinent to the project and is uniquely qualified to assemble the components necessary and work with community partners to produce an engaging and informative documentary; and

WHEREAS, The staff report dated April 23, 2012 further describes the project; and

WHEREAS, The proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); Now

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy hereby:

1. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan and the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan.
2. FINDS that the proposed action is consistent with the Conservancy's Strategic Objectives.
3. FINDS that the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
4. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendation dated April 23, 2012.
5. AUTHORIZES a grant from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Fund to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.
6. AUTHORIZES the Chairperson to execute the grant and to perform any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution; without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such authority shall include those provisions that she shall determine in the exclusive exercise of her discretion are necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution and to comply with the policies of the Conservancy, and to otherwise carry out the provisions of state law and regulations.

~ End of Resolution ~

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 23rd day of April, 2012 at Pacific Palisades, California.

Dated:

Executive Director