

Memorandum

To : The Conservancy
The Advisory Committee

Date: June 29, 2015

From :  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Director

Subject: **Agenda Item 11: Consideration of resolution authorizing entering into a joint exercise of powers agreement with the City of Moorpark for open space purposes.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Conservancy adopt the attached resolution authorizing entering into a joint exercise of powers agreement with the City of Moorpark for open space purposes.

Legislative Authority: Government Code Section 6500, *et seq.*

Background:

The City of Moorpark (“City”) currently owns certain real property that it desires to maintain for open space and/or recreational purposes. Conservancy staff and representatives from the City have had discussions about establishing a new joint powers agency to manage and operate the real property currently owned by the City. The proposed new joint powers agency would also be empowered to acquire and maintain additional properties for park and open space purposes.

The proposed joint powers agency would be known as the Moorpark Watershed Recreation and Conservation Authority. Membership of the board of directors would consist four members total: the City Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, the City Manager, and two members appointed by the Conservancy.

Please see the draft copy of the joint powers agreement for further details.