

May 23, 2016; Agenda Item No. 12

Resolution No. 16-25

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING A GRANT
FROM PROPOSITION 84 FOR PARK INFORMATION, MATERIALS,
AND NON-PERSONAL INTERPRETIVE SERVICES

WHEREAS, The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy is authorized to award grants to government agencies pursuant to Sections 33204.2 and 33204.27 of the Public Resources Code; and

WHEREAS, The Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority has requested a grant from Proposition 84; and

WHEREAS, Protection is defined in Section 75005(m) of Proposition 84 as those actions necessary to prevent harm or damage to persons, property or natural resources or those actions necessary to allow the continued use and enjoyment of property or natural resources” and includes interpretation as a means of doing so; and

WHEREAS, Interpretation is defined in Section 75005(j) of Proposition 84 as a visitor serving amenity that educates and communicates the significance and value of natural, historical, and cultural resources in a way that increases the understanding and enjoyment of these resources and that may utilize the expertise of a naturalist or other specialist skilled at educational interpretation; and

WHEREAS, Non-personal interpretation includes tangible materials and resources including park information, exhibit design, maps, and digital media; and

WHEREAS, Non-personal interpretation allows visitors freedom and individual exploration, and is often the first line of contact with the park or resource; and

WHEREAS, The proposed action is being taken subject to approval of the grant for compliance with the General Obligation Bond Law; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project protects land and water resources; 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 Conservancy's Strategic Objectives.
2. FINDS that the proposed project implements the goals stated in Proposition 84.
3. FINDS that the proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
5. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated May 23, 2016 for this item.
6. ADOPTS all of the preceding whereas clauses.
7. AUTHORIZES a grant of Proposition 84 funds to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority in the amount of \$300,000 for nonpersonal interpretation.
8. FURTHER AUTHORIZES the Chairperson to execute the grant agreement 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 he shall determine in the exclusive exercise of his 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 May, 2016 at Beverly Hills, California.

Dated:

Executive Director