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Resolution No. 16-38

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING A GRANT FROM THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY FUND TO THE MOUNTAINS RECREATION AND CONSERVATION AUTHORITY FOR PROJECT PLANNING AND FOR SUBCONTRACT WITH THE LOS ANGELES RIVER REVITALIZATION CORPORATION (RIVERLA) AND FRIENDS OF THE LOS ANGELES RIVER (FOLAR) FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A STAKEHOLDER CONSENSUS PROCESS REGARDING FUTURE MASTER PLANNING NEEDS AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING SOURCES, UPPER LOS ANGELES RIVER WATERSHED

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 the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project furthers the work of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy in promoting continued project planning and development of a stakeholder consensus process regarding future master planning needs and appropriate funding sources for the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed; 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, the Rim of the Valley Trail Corridor Master Plan, and the San Gabriel and Los Angeles River Watershed and Open Space Plan as adopted by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy.
- 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).

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- 5. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendations dated July 18, 2016 for this item.
- 6. ADOPTS all of the preceding whereas clauses.
- 7. AUTHORIZES a grant of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Fund to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority not to exceed the amount of \$10,000 for project planning and for subcontract with Los Angeles River Revitalization Corporation (RIVERLA) and Friends of the Los Angeles River (FOLAR) for development of a stakeholder consensus process regarding future master planning needs and appropriate funding sources in the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed.
- 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 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 ~

IHEREBY 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 18th day of July, 2016 in Los Angeles, California.

Dated:		
	Executive Director	