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Memorandum

To : The Conservancy
The Advisory Committee

Date: June 26, 2017

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

Subject: **Agenda Item 11: Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to City of Malibu on Pacific Coast Highway Parking Study Draft Final Report.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Conservancy adopt the attached resolution authorizing a comment letter to the City of Malibu on the Pacific Coast Highway Parking Study Draft Final Report.

Legislative Authority: Section 33211(c) of the Public Resources Code.

Background: The Pacific Coast Highway Parking Study Draft Final Report (Study) was issued by the City of Malibu on May 4, 2017. The purpose of the Study is to examine current road and shoulder conditions along Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) in the City, including the existing parking inventory, and analyze parking-related collisions, assess safety, and develop recommendations to improve parking along PCH in Malibu.

Previous drafts of the Study were released in late 2016 and early 2017. However, it is apparent that the Study and its recommendations do not sufficiently address current and future parking accommodations for public access located along PCH in Malibu. Several agencies, including the California Coastal Commission, the State Coastal Conservancy, and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) have submitted extensive comments to the City expressing serious concerns about the problematic study. The attached letters from the MRCA provide key details on the failures of the study in addressing parking for existing and future public access to beaches and trails along PCH in Malibu.

At the June 12, 2017 Malibu City Council meeting, the City Council received and filed the Study.

Staff recommends that the Conservancy Board consider submitting a comment letter similar to those of the MRCA in support of the MRCA's concerns regarding the Study.