

AGENDA

INVOCATION – Commissioner Kusumoto

PLEDGE – Commissioner Hanson

I. ROLL CALL

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

At this time, members of the public may address the Commission on items of public interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission and are not contained in tonight's agenda.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR (Item A)

The following items on the consent calendar will be approved by one motion unless a Commission member requests a specific item.

A. APPROVE COMMISSION MINUTES OF AUGUST 4, 2016.

IV. DISCUSSION CALENDAR (Item A - C)

A. TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER SELECTION AND AGENDA

Trails Subcommittee Commissioners Kusumoto and Kott have reviewed applications and provided recommendations for members of the Subcommittee and content for the Subcommittee's first meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

1. Confirm five candidates as recommended by Commissioners Kusumoto and Kott to serve as Trails Subcommittee at-large members.
2. Approve Trails Subcommittee first meeting agenda.

B. TALBERT REGIONAL PARK PAMPAS GRASS MANAGEMENT

Non-native pampas grass has been an ongoing issue at Talbert, with the significant density and quantity of the grass overtaking native habitat and enabling transient encampments. Removal of pampas grass is recommended by staff to address habitat and fire and safety issues.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Recommend that OC Parks procure contracts, secure expedited Coastal Development Permit, and implement removal of invasive pampas grass as soon as possible, prior to completion of Talbert Resource Management Plan.

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C. MILE SQUARE REGIONAL PARK MULTIPURPOSE FACILITY

A multipurpose facility at Mile Square is being developed that would offer 10,000 square feet of indoor recreation space for various sports, meetings, and events, consistent with the active recreation amenities already existing in the park.

Staff will provide a presentation on the facility at the meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive and file.

V. OC PARKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. UPCOMING OC PARKS EVENTS

Whiting Ranch Poker Ride 2016 – Whiting Ranch Wilderness Park: Saturday, October 8, 9:00am – 1:00pm

- Mountain bike event at Whiting Ranch where participants will ride bikes through an adventurous course of trails and receive a poker hand to compete for Oakley and Cygolite prizes.
- Mountain bike exhibits and food for purchase will also be available at the event.

Haunt at Heritage Hill – Heritage Hill Historical Park: Friday and Saturday, October 14 and 15, 6:00pm – 10:30pm

- Halloween event featuring a haunted schoolhouse, mazes, goblins, stage performances, and a classic horror movie screening.
- Suitable for children ages 12 and up.

Prehistoric OC – Clark Regional Park: Saturday, October 15, 10:00am – 3:00pm

- Family festival celebrating local archaeology, paleontology, history, culture, and science.
- The event features exhibits, demonstrations, lectures, crafts, and a junior science camp.

Halloween Zoo-tacular – OC Zoo, Irvine Regional Park: Saturday, October 29, 10:00am – 4:00pm

- Halloween event featuring themed activities including trick-or-treating, kids crafts, a scavenger hunt, and other games.
- Visitors will also see zoo animals receive treat-filled pumpkins throughout the day.

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VI. COMMISSION COMMENTS AND REPORT

At this time Commissioners may comment on agenda or non-agenda matters and ask questions of or give direction to staff, provided that no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law.

A. CHAIR HANSON – CAMERA INSTALLATION AT PARKS

VII. ADJOURNMENT