

SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES
(Action Items Displayed in Italics)
THURSDAY, August 06, 2020 – 7.00 p.m.
VIRTUAL MEETING: +1 (415) 655 0001, Access Code 133 108 9243

I. ROLL CALL

Vice-Chair Muller and Commissioners Shawver, Posey and Ashland were present. Chair Koos and Commissioners McCusker and Hanson were absent.

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.

Franklin Currey, resident of Long Beach, provided comments supporting ebikes.

James Brown, resident of Santa Ana, provided comments supporting ebikes.

Melanie Schlotterbeck, representing Safe Trails Coalition, provided comments supporting the decommissioning of unauthorized trails.

Michael Wellborn, representing Friends of Harbors Beaches and Parks, provided comments supporting the decommissioning of unauthorized trails.

Steve Spiro, Executive Director of The Electric Mountain Bike Association, provided comments supporting ebikes on County trails.

Ray Hiemstra, representing Sierra Club, provided comments supporting ebikes.

Martin Kay, resident of North Tustin, provided comments supporting ebikes.

Mercedes Natwig, resident of Trabuco Canyon, provided comments supporting ebikes.

Mary Fegraus, member of the Coastal Greenbelt Authority, provided comments on the importance of habitat protection in the wilderness parks.

Jim Carr, resident of Costa Mesa, welcomed back Commissioner Bert Ashland.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR (Item A)

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

A. Approve Commission minutes for June 18, 2020.

Motion: Commissioner Shawver

2nd: Commissioner Ashland

Abstained: Vice Chair Muller

3-0: item fails for lack of majority vote and will be postponed to the next meeting.

IV. DISCUSSION CALENDAR MATTERS (Items A – C)

A. TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER SELECTION AND PROPOSED THIRD QUARTER AGENDA

Commission selection of a new member for the Trails Subcommittee is required to fill a currently vacant at-large seat.

Additionally, agenda review for the Subcommittee proposed third quarter agenda is requested. The existing Subcommittee guidelines require approval of the agenda by the Subcommittee Chairperson and Alternate Chair as well as review by the Commission. This Third Quarter Subcommittee Agenda includes an important item that provides for Subcommittee discussion of a process to formalize and publicly review OC Parks trail management practices and procedures.

Pam Passow, OC Parks Deputy Director, provided information and answered Commissioners' questions.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

1. Select Virginia Webber to serve as an at-large member on the Trails Subcommittee.
2. Concur with the Trails Subcommittee proposed Third Quarter Agenda.

*Motion: Commissioner Posey
2nd: Commissioner Ashland
Approved 4-0*

B. CAPISTRANO BEACH UPDATE

Staff will provide a presentation on recent weather events, operations, and planning activities for Capistrano Beach.

Scott Thomas, Planning and Design Manager, provided information and answered Commissioners' questions.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive and file.

C. OC PARKS OPERATIONS UPDATE

Staff will provide a presentation on recent and current operations of County parks facilities.

Tom Starnes, OC Parks Deputy Director, provided information and answered Commissioners' questions.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive and file.

V. OC PARKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Joanne Veedor, Director's Office Manager, provided updates and answered Commissioners' questions.

A. UPCOMING OC PARKS EVENTS

OC Parks continues to offer a robust suite of family-friendly virtual programming and highlights to educate, entertain, and support recreation within local neighborhoods. The programs are a combination of live and recorded events that can be accessed on both Facebook and Instagram. Daily themed social media events and highlights include:

- #MondayMemories: Mondays will feature content provided by Archaeology / Paleontology or Historical staff.
- #TriviaTuesdays: Tuesdays will feature OC Parks related trivia.
- #WildlifeWednesday: Wednesdays will feature wildlife updates from the OC Zoo or parks.
- #ThrowbackThursday: Thursdays will feature "throwback" posts highlighting past or classic content.
- #FeatureFriday: Fridays will feature staff sharing interesting information and highlights from their parks or facilities.
- #ScenicSaturday: Saturdays will feature various scenic sights from throughout the parks.
- Sundays will feature "The Week Ahead" infographics alerting followers of weekly content to come.

OC Parks Drive-In Movies

OC Parks held a successful launch of its first drive-in movie featuring Jurassic Park at Mile Square Regional Park on July 17, 18 and 19. Tickets for all dates sold out in less than eight hours, and the event welcomed approximately 300 attendees each night. Additional steps were taken to ensure guests remained physically distanced by strategically parking vehicles to allow for plenty of space and a good view of the screen.

Feedback was overwhelmingly positive, and staff are currently planning more drive-in events to other facilities in the coming months.

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.

VII. ADJOURNMENT *8:38 pm*