I. ROLL CALL

Chair Curry, Vice Chair Ashland, Commissioners Fuentes, Hanson, Kott, and Kusumoto present. Commissioner McCusker 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.

Members of the public introduced themselves to the Commission and provided comments about the trails and upcoming events.

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 July 2, 2015.

Motion: Commissioner Kott
2nd: Commissioner Ashland
Approved 5-0, Commissioner Curry abstained

IV. DISCUSSION CALENDAR MATTERS (Items A – C)

A. TREE MANAGEMENT PRESENTATION (continued from 7/2/15 meeting)

OC Parks staff will provide a presentation on its tree management program.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive and file.

Bill Kirk, Systems & Resources Manager, made a presentation and answered the Commissioners’ questions.

B. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES UPDATE

An amended ordinance and resolution was recently approved by the Board of Supervisors to allow alcoholic beverage possession and consumption at County-implemented events and at OC Parks concert events this summer. An update on the concerts and the Alcoholic Beverages Policy is provided.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1. Provide feedback on OC Parks Alcoholic Beverages Policy.
SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES
(Action Items Displayed in *italics*)

2. Concur with implementation of the OC Parks Alcoholic Beverages Policy.

*Stacy Blackwood, OC Parks Director, made a presentation and answered the Commissioners’ questions.*

*Motion: Commissioner Ashland
2nd: Commissioner Hanson
Approved unanimously*

C. PROPOSED 2016 OC PARKS COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

A schedule of meeting dates for the upcoming year is proposed.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve the 2016 Commission Meeting Schedule and provide input to staff on field trip locations.

*Stacy Blackwood, OC Parks Director, made a brief presentation and answered the Commissioners’ questions.*

*Motion: Commissioner Kott
2nd: Commissioner Fuentes
Approved unanimously*

V. OC PARKS DIRECTOR’S REPORT

A. PERFORMANCE AUDIT UPDATE

An update will be provided on the OC Parks audit conducted by the County’s Performance Audit Department.

*Stacy Blackwood, OC Parks Director, made a presentation and answered the Commissioners’ questions.*

B. UPCOMING OC PARKS EVENTS

Carbon Canyon Regional Park – Hoot 'N Howling Night Hike: Saturday, November 7, 5:30pm – 8:00pm
- Hike to the Redwood Grove with Park Rangers showcasing natural wonders that can only be seen at night.
- Event will also include a live animal presentation.
Irvine Ranch Historic Park – A Day at Irvine Ranch: Saturday, November 21, 10:00am – 2:00pm
• Join us for a ribbon cutting and public opening of phase 1 of Irvine Ranch Historic Park’s restoration.
• There will be live entertainment and plenty of fun activities, including crafts and exhibitors.

Laguna Coast Wilderness Park – Thanksgiving Wobble Walk: Friday, November 27, 9:30am – 11:30am
• Walk off your Thanksgiving dinner on this slow-paced, 2-mile moderate hike with OC Parks staff and Laguna Canyon Foundation volunteers.

Heritage Hill Historical Park – Victorian Christmas: Saturday, December 5, 11:00am – 3:00pm
• See Heritage Hill decked out for the holidays.
• Event includes festive Traditional Christmas performances and music, children’s crafts, historical exhibits, handicraft vendors, tours through decorated historic buildings, and visits with Santa.

Heritage Hill Historical Park – Candlelight Walk: Saturday and Sunday, December 12 and 13, 5:30pm – 8:30pm
• Experience two magical evenings with Luminaria-lit paths and historic buildings and trees aglow with holiday lighting.
• Event features historical buildings adorned in period décor, Victorian carolers, live entertainment, storytellers, and visits with Santa.

Stacy Blackwood, OC Parks Director, made a presentation and answered the Commissioners’ questions.

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: 8:27 pm