



AGENDA

ORANGE COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2025, 10:00 a.m.



**RAMON PERALTA ADOBE
AND HISTORIC YORBA CEMETERY
6398 E. Santa Ana Canyon Road
Anaheim, CA 92807**

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Brianna Lopez

The Orange County Historical Commission welcomes you to this field trip. This agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The Commission shall not hold a field trip unless the number of members participating constitutes a quorum of the Commission. The Commission encourages your participation and welcomes public comments on items under the purview of the Commission. If you wish to speak on a matter that does not appear on the agenda, you may do so during the Public Participation period at the beginning of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda. When addressing the Commission, please state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Speakers may be limited to three (3) minutes. Public speaker request forms will be available onsite.

The Commission meeting will be an in-person meeting held at the Peralta Adobe (6398 E. Santa Ana Canyon Road, Anaheim, CA 92807). In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring accommodations for this meeting should notify OC Parks 72 hours prior to the meeting at (714) 973-6606.

All supporting documentation is available for public review <https://ocparks.com/about-us/commissions-and-committees/oc-historical-commission> under the "Meeting Agenda" link or by calling (714) 973-6606 during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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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 today's agenda.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEM(S) A)

The following item(s) on the consent calendar will be approved by one motion unless a Commissioner requests to pull a specific item.

A. APPROVE COMMISSION MINUTES FOR THE OCTOBER 7, 2025 MEETING

IV. STAFF UPDATE (ITEM(S) A)

A. CULTURAL RESOURCES OPERATIONS FACILITY UPDATE

Staff will give an update on the recent happenings within the Cultural Resources Operations at historical facilities.

V. DISCUSSION CALENDAR (ITEM(S) A)

A. SELECTION OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR COMMISSION OFFICERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026

Discussion and selection of Commissioners to serve on a committee to nominate candidates for Chair and Vice Chair positions for Calendar Year 2026. Selection of officers will take place during the Commission's December 2, 2025 meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Select three (3) Commissioners to serve on a Nominating Committee to nominate Commission officers for Calendar Year 2026 for consideration and election at the Commission's December 2, 2025 meeting.

VI. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORT

At this time Commissioners may comment on agenda or non-agenda matters, provided that no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law.

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VII. RAMON PERALTA ADOBE AND HISTORIC YORBA CEMETERY TOUR

The Ramon Peralta Adobe is located on land that once was part of the Rancho Santiago de Santa Ana. Currently, the Adobe contains a small museum featuring the history of the Santa Ana Canyon from the first Spanish explorers to the area in 1769 to the present. Located in the neighborhood Woodgate Park, the Yorba Cemetery is one of the oldest cemeteries in Orange County. Established on land originally part of Bernardo Yorba's 13,000-acre Rancho Cañon de Santa Ana, many of the descendants of pioneering rancho-era families were buried at this cemetery from 1860 until the cemetery's closure in 1939.

Both sites are currently undergoing minor improvements, such as additions of unique pieces at the Peralta Adobe and the fixing of the lambs' heads on some grave markers at the Cemetery.

- **10:00 a.m.:** Ramon Peralta Adobe
Address: 6398 E. Santa Ana Canyon Road, Anaheim, CA 92807
 - Parking is recommended in the nearby parking spaces to the Adobe.
 - Tour the facility and learn about site's history, see current exhibits, and learn what is being done to connect with the public.
- **10:45 a.m.:** Historic Yorba Cemetery
Address: Woodgate Park, 6749 Parkwood Ct, Yorba Linda, CA 92886
 - The Historic Yorba Cemetery does not have a direct address but the best address would be 6749 Parkwood Court, Yorba Linda, CA 92886. Additional navigating directions will be provided from the docent at the end of the Adobe tour.
 - Parking is limited in this area. Carpooling is highly recommended, if possible.
 - Tour the site and learn about ongoing care at the cemetery.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT