

Minutes to the April 14, 2016 Preserve Management Meeting

Attending: Recreation & Parks Director Cory Linder, Community Development Deputy Director Ara Mihranian, Senior Administrative Analyst Matt Waters, Administrative Analyst Katie Lozano, Recreation Specialist David Pearce, MRCA Deputy Chief Ranger Kenn Hughes, PVPLC Executive Director Andrea Vona and PVPLC Conservation Director Adrienne Mohan.

Preserve Maintenance

- Review of Active Habitat / Trail Projects / Maintenance:
 - Review of Trail Crew activities / unauthorized/spur trail closures – the Trail Crew is working on Sunshine Trail in the Three Sisters Reserve
 - City maintenance projects
 - Culvert steps on Marymount Trail – Public Works estimates an excessive construction cost to alter the culvert; PVPLC will investigate potential grant funding for a trail bridge and will send the City the Trail Crew’s proposed Pony Trail bridge design to see if it could be adapted to work on Marymount Trail
 - Garden Trail pipe erosion – Public Works is still looking into this
 - Toyon / Peppertree remediation project – Analyst Lozano reports this is completed with irrigation being an ongoing process.
- City Preserve Maintenance Logs – Presented without discussion.
- Island View / Storm Drain Stairs – Analyst Lozano is contacting Los Angeles County about controlling stair access. Deputy Director Mihranian is in communication with the adjacent H.O.A. regarding closing access from HOA property.
- Conqueror Trail Gully Remedy – PVPLC will be considering their Trail Crew recommendations.
- Gate at Lower Portuguese Bend – The group is looking into the best method to replace the broken fence.

Preserve Operations

- Review of Public Events in Preserve – No discussion.
- Active Preserve Projects –The group discussed a dewatering well project on Burma Rd. and a project for geological test pits in the Abalone Cove Reserve near the Ginsberg property. The Shoreline Park Sanitation District is repairing a sewer line near the bluff and their project will require a Coastal Development Permit.
- Ranger Report – Chief Ranger Hughes says that policy information is being developed by MRCA regarding noise effects on wildlife and he will make that available to the City and PVPLC. The Rangers are focusing their patrols a little more on the Forrestal Reserve. Chief Ranger Hughes reports that the *No Dogs on Beach* signs are missing around Sacred Cove. MRCA Rangers will continue to assist coordinating the enforcement transition to LA County Sheriff.
- Preserve Staffing Update – Analyst Lozano reported that the Preserve Staff will be 100% operational in May.
- Review of Volunteer Trail Watch Reports – No discussion.
- Utility Access & Utilities/Contractors Day Use Permit for Accessing Preserve – An

- online permitting system will be explored.
- Rain Closure Procedure – Signage and an improved notification process will be implemented.
 - Managing Access Points – The City is working to assess access points to Portuguese Bend Reserve.
 - Volunteer Projects in the Preserve – Continued to next meeting.
 - Walking Bikes on Non-bike Trails –Continued to next meeting.

Additional Items

- Status of Grant Contracts / Agreements – Continued to next meeting.
- Upcoming Council Agenda Items: Preserve donor and naming opportunities (April 19th), Preserve Monument Signage (early June).
- The City's Geologist has assessed and designated the areas in Abalone Cove closed to the public for safety.

Announcements

- Public Forum 2016 Dates: April 20th, July 20th & Oct. 19th.
- VTW / City Monthly Coordination Meeting: April 27th.
- VTW Quarterly Meeting: April 27th.

Action Items

- PVPLC will forward the Trail Crew's Pony Trail bridge design to the City for consideration in solving the Marymount Trail culvert crossing.
- Specialist Pearce will submit a work order for replacement *No Dogs on Beach* signs at Sacred Cove.

Next Meeting: May 5, 2016 @ 9:30 a.m.