

Minutes to the February 8, 2018 Preserve Management Team Meeting

Attending: Director Cory Linder, Administrative Analyst/Open Space Manager Katie Lozano, Associate Planner Irving Anaya, Maintenance Intern Scherman Singh, Recreation Supervisor David Pearce, Recreation Specialist Keith Hunter, PVPLC Executive Director Andrea Vona, PVPLC Stewardship Associate Josh Weinik and Los Angeles County Sheriff Deputies Kevin Kuwata and Pablo Jimenez.

Preserve Maintenance

- Active Preserve Projects: Administrative Analyst Lozano announced that McGee Surveying will be doing the annual landslide survey and entering the Preserve starting this month.
- Review of Habitat Projects: Executive Director Vona announced phase four planting at Alta Vicente Reserve is complete. Stewardship Associate Josh Weinik announced that the Toyon Restoration Project plantings have a low survival rate, and Analyst Lozano responded that the City will plan for remediation.
- Trail Projects/Maintenance:
 - Beach School Trail Improvements: Maintenance Intern Singh reported that repaving will begin on February 20th.
 - Sacred Cove and Sea Dahlia Trails Status: Analyst Lozano announced that the City is considering repair of these trails.
 - PV Drive South Reroute Project: Intern Singh says this project is under long-term consideration.
 - Eagles' Nest Hitching Post: Based on a suggestion by a member of the equestrian community, Recreation Supervisor Pearce announced the City's approval of a simple hitching post to be installed on Eagles' Nest.
 - GIS Attributes: Analyst Lozano announced that a GIS survey of Preserve attributes is underway by Recreation & Parks staff.
 - Sandbox Trail Repair: Director Vona announced that the PVPLC Volunteer Trail Crew in cooperation with Recreation & Parks Volunteers will be repairing Sandbox Trail on February 17th.
- Preserve Signage Plan: Director Vona announced that the locations for the monument signs and panels have been selected for Aqua Armaga Reserve. Supervisor Pearce added that graffiti seen on these new sign posts along Peppertree Trail were successfully removed using a soft brush with de-natured alcohol.
- Encroachments in Forrestal Reserve and on McBride Trail: Director Vona asked about a gazebo encroachment near Cool Heights Trail, landscaping near Alta Vicente Reserve and across McBride Trail. Associate Planner Anaya said the Community Development Department will be checking on these and sending out letters to homeowners involved. He also said he would look into reports of someone along McBride Trail feeding coyotes.
- Fuel Modification: Director Vona requested coordinating the use of goats for fuel modification in April for the Lunada Canyon area.

Preserve Operations

- Review of Public Events in Preserve: Supervisor Pearce announced the Los Serenos docents will lead a tour of East Portal and Gnatcatcher Trails on February

17th. Director Vona announced that PVPLC will conduct a nature walk on February 10th in the Vicente Bluffs Reserve.

- Review of Enforcement/Patrol/Education:
 - Sheriff's Report: Deputies gave a summary of their activities in the Preserve. They described an uptick in the use of electric bikes and this sparked a discussion. Deputy Jimenez mentioned that he is going to court soon for a citation he gave for a bike user on Landslide Scarp Trail.
 - OSM Report: Supervisor Pearce reported on 3,138 public contacts the Preserve Staff encountered in the Preserve in January. He distributed copies of the OSM Preserve Log while reporting the Preserve Staff accomplished 28 maintenance tasks in the Preserve in January. He also announced that an information booth calendar for 2018 will be forthcoming soon.

Additional Items

- Noticing/Transparency Enhancements (upcoming projects/activities): Analyst Lozano announced that the notifications for the HP Communications utility project in Portuguese Bend Reserve have been completed.
- Status of Grant Contracts/Agreements: No report.
- Upcoming Council Agenda Items: March 29th (special meeting) – Consideration of NCCP; April 3rd (consent) – 1st reading of Special Event Permit Process Ordinance; April 17th (regular) – Public Drinking & Smoking Ordinance; (regular) Adoption/2nd reading Special Event Permit Process Ordinance.
- Preserve Ad Hoc Committee: March 7th.
- Public Forum Meeting Dates 2018: April 18th, July 18th & Oct. 17th.
- VTW/City Monthly Coordination Meeting: February 28th.

Next Meeting: March 1, 2018 @ 9:30 a.m.