June 29, 2020; Agenda Item No. 12

Resolution No. 20-26

RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AUTHORIZING AN OFFICIAL REQUEST AND ACCEPTANCE TO THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS AND CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY OF A PORTION OF THE PENDING VACATION OF VENDELL PLACE FOR LIBERTY CANYON WILDLIFE CORRIDOR PERMANENT HABITAT PROTECTION PURPOSES, CITY OF AGOURA HILLS

WHEREAS, The City of Agoura Hills is proceeding with vacating a portion of Vendell Place adjacent to land owned by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy; and

WHEREAS, The subject vacated land is critical to the Liberty Canyon inter-mountain range wildlife corridor; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is consistent with the Santa Monica Mountains Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the staff report dated June 29, 2020 further describes the project; and

WHEREAS, The proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); Now

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy hereby:

1. FINDS that the proposed action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

2. ADOPTS the staff report and recommendation dated June 29, 2020.

3. FINDS that the proposed section of Vendell Place adjacent to Conservancy property is regionally significant.

4. AUTHORIZES acceptance of vacated portions of Vendell Place from the City of Agoura Hills.

5. AUTHORIZES acceptance of vacated portions of Vendell Place from the California Department of Transportation through a Transfer of Jurisdiction.
5. FURTHER AUTHORIZES the Executive Director, or his assignee, to perform any and all acts necessary to carry out this resolution.

~ End of Resolution ~

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 29th of June, 2020, California.

Dated: 6/29/20

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Executive Director