

# COACHELLA VALLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION (CVCC) AGENDA

## CVCC MEMBERS

### City of Cathedral City

Mayor Kathy De Rosa, Vice Chair

### City of Coachella

Mayor Eduardo Garcia

### City of Indian Wells

Councilmember Bill Powers

### City of Indio

Councilmember Ben Godfrey

### City of La Quinta

Councilmember Stanley Sniff

### City of Palm Desert

Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Finerty

### City of Palm Springs

Mayor Pro Tem Chris Mills

### City of Rancho Mirage

Councilmember Richard W. Kite, Chair

### County of Riverside

1<sup>st</sup> District Supervisor Bob Buster

2<sup>nd</sup> District Supervisor John Tavaglione  
(Terry Henderson, Alternate)

3<sup>rd</sup> District Supervisor Jeff Stone

4<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor Roy Wilson  
(Larry Ward, Alternate)

5<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor Marion Ashley  
(Steven Hernandez, Alternate)

### Coachella Valley Water District

Board Member Corky Larson

### Imperial Irrigation District

Board Member Anthony Sanchez

### CVAG Staff Support

Larry Parrish, Interim Executive Director  
Katie Barrows, Dir. of Environmental Resources  
Jim Sullivan, GIS Program Director  
Linda Rogers, Program Assistant

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA MAY RESULT IN POSSIBLE ACTION TAKEN BY THE COACHELLA VALLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION (CVCC).

## **THIS MEETING IS HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE**

The next meeting of the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC) is as follows:

**Thursday, May 14, 2009**

**11:00 A.M.**

**CVAG Offices**

**73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 119**

**Palm Desert, California 92260**

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Councilmember Richard W. Kite, CVCC Chair

## 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## 3. ROLL CALL

## 4. FINALIZATION OF AGENDA & ADDITIONS AND REVISIONS

The Committee may add an item to the agenda after making a finding that there is a need to take immediate action on the item and that the item came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. An action adding an item to the agenda requires 2/3 vote of the Committee. If there are less than 2/3 of the Committee members present, adding an item to the agenda requires a unanimous vote.

## 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is the time and place for any person wishing to address the CVCC to do so.

## 6. CVCC MEMBER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

8. **RECOGNITION OF PAUL CLARK, AICP** – Chair Richard W. Kite

9. **RESOLUTIONS 09-006 THRU 09-016: ACQUISITION OF PARCELS FROM THE FOLLOWING LANDOWNERS: TONE YEE INVESTMENTS, YU FAMILY TRUST, MARK & CORAZON ELLIOTT & PHI PHI FANG, DONNA SIEGAND & JOHN ADAMS, ROBERT AND NANCY NARD, NORM & MARY SOWARDS, URIOSTEGUI TRUST, EDWARD & LORRAINE LOTSTEIN, MILANOVICH TRUST, ERIC STEVENS TRUST, AND JOSEPH & DENISE LARSEN**

– Bill Havert, Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy

Refer to pages 5- 32

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC) approve attached Resolutions 09-006 thru 09-016 authorizing acquisition of APNs 664-090-002, 664-090-014, 665-020-002, 660-091-005, 660-093-001, 660-101-003, 660-101-004, 660-101-005, 648-130-001, 648-160-007, 648-180-006, 648-190-004, 648-220-028, and 648-220-020, as further described on the attached spreadsheet. The total purchase price of all acquisitions is \$2,755,000 with a not to exceed amount of \$11,000 for the CVCC's share of transaction costs (escrow fees), for a total cost not to exceed \$2,766,000. The final statement of costs will be approved by the Acquisitions Manager (AM) before the request for CVCC funds to be deposited in escrow is made.

10. **CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF CONSERVATION EASEMENT FROM MISSION CREEK 2 INVESTMENTS, LLC AND MISSION CREEK INVESTMENT, LLC**

– Jim Sullivan

Refer to pages 33- 46

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC) authorize the chair to accept the Conservation Easement from Mission Creek 2 Investments, LLC and Mission Creek Investments, LLC in a final form approved by counsel.

11. **REPORT FROM RESERVE MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE** – Katie Barrows

Refer to page 47

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC) receive and file this report.

12. **CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR AT-LARGE MEMBERSHIP OF RESERVE MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE** – Jim Sullivan

Refer to pages 48 - 65

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC) consider the applications of the Desert Tortoise Preserve Committee, Friends of the Desert Mountains and Mission Springs Water District for at-large membership in the Reserve Management Oversight Committee (RMOC).

13. **UPDATE ON STATUS OF LAND MANAGER CONTRACT** - Katie Barrows

Refer to page 66

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC) review and provide direction to staff.

14. **CONSIDER CONTRACT WITH UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, RIVERSIDE FOR BURROWING OWL SURVEYS** – Jim Sullivan

Refer to pages 67 - 69

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission (CVCC) approve a contract with the University of California, Riverside (UCR) for burrowing owl surveys in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

15. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Approval**

15A Approve Minutes of the April 9, 2009 Coachella Valley Conservation Commission.

Refer to pages 70 - 75

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** Approval.

**Receive and File**

15B Report on Contracts Under \$25,000 – Jim Sullivan

Refer to page 76

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the CVCC receive and file this report.

15C Quarterly Financial Statements Update as at March 31, 2009 – Gary Leong

Refer to page 77

**STAFF RECOMMENDED MOTION:** Receive and File.

**Information**

15D CVCC 2009 Attendance Roster

Refer to page 78

16. **CLOSED SESSION**

16A Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Government Code § 54956.8)

Property: Assessors Parcel Number 648-170-001

Agency Negotiator: Bill Havert

Negotiating Parties: Marcel Micallef

Under negotiation: Instruction to negotiator regarding price and terms

Property: Assessors Parcel Number 648-200-001  
Agency Negotiator: Bill Havert  
Negotiating Parties: Stephen Lyon  
Under negotiation: Instruction to negotiator regarding price and terms

Property: Assessors Parcel Number 647-270-002  
Agency Negotiator: Bill Havert  
Negotiating Parties: Carol Iliff  
Under negotiation: Instruction to negotiator regarding price and terms

Property: Assessors Parcel Number 647-270-005  
Agency Negotiator: Bill Havert  
Negotiating Parties: Mark Warila  
Under negotiation: Instruction to negotiator regarding price and terms

17. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ***Trails Management Subcommittee*** - May 20, 2009, 1:30 p.m. at CVAG, conference room 115.
- ***Coachella Valley Conservation Commission*** - June 11, 2009, 11:00 a.m. at CVAG, conference room 119.
- ***Reserve Management Oversight Committee (RMOC)*** - July 22, 2:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. at CVAG, conference room 115.

18. **ADJOURNMENT**