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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Douglas Bosco (Public Member), Chair
Ann Notthoff (Public Member), Vice Chair
Marce Gutiérrez-Graudiņš (Public Member)
Joseph Alioto Jr. (Public Member)
Bryan Cash (Designated, Department of Natural Resources)
Gayle Miller (Designated, Department of Finance)
Stephen Padilla (Coastal Commission)

OVERSIGHT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Assemblymember Monique Limón (District 37)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer
Amy Roach, Chief Counsel

LOCATION:

Teleconference

MEETING START TIME: 10:10 A.M.

1. ROLL CALL

Douglas Bosco (Public Member), Chair
Ann Notthoff (Public Member), Vice Chair
Marce Gutiérrez-Graudiņš (Public Member)
Joseph Alioto Jr. (Public Member)
Bryan Cash (Designated, Department of Natural Resources)
Stephen Padilla (Coastal Commission)
Gayle Miller (Designated, Department of Finance) joined at 10:37 A.M, after the Executive Officer report.

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2. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** of the Conservancy's May 05, 2020 public meeting. Stephen Padilla and Joseph Alioto Jr. abstained. Item was moved and seconded. Approved by unanimous vote.

3. **CONSENT ITEMS**

Chair Bosco asked the board if any member requested any consent item be removed. Hearing no such request, the following consent items were moved for approval, seconded, and approved unanimously.

A. CACHAGUA CREEK FISH PASSAGE

Resolution:

"The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to the Resource Conservation District of Monterey County ("the grantee") to plan, design, conduct environmental review, and prepare grant and permit applications to remove a fish passage barrier on Cachagua Creek by replacing a concrete ford with a bridge at the Weston-Champagne Property in unincorporated Monterey County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project."

Findings:

"Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 5.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding integrated coastal and marine resources.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines."

B. SULPHUR CREEK FISH PASSAGE

Resolution:

"The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed one hundred ninety-six thousand one hundred twenty-three dollars (\$196,123) to

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California Trout, Inc. (the grantee) to conduct studies and prepare engineering designs for the Sulphur Creek Fish Passage Improvement Project to remove a fish passage barrier on Sulphur Creek in St. Helena, Napa County, California. This authorization is subject to the condition that prior to disbursement of any funds for the project, the grantee shall submit for review and approval by the Conservancy's Executive Officer a work plan, schedule, budget, the names of any contractors or subcontractors to be retained for the project, and a plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding and Proposition 1 as the source of that funding."

Findings:

"Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the San Francisco Bay Conservancy Program.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.
3. California Trout, Inc. is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code."

C. CLIFFORD KAMPH MEMORIAL PARK

Resolution:

"The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed ninety-six thousand dollars (\$96,000) to the County of Del Norte ("the grantee") to assess the feasibility of expanding camping opportunities and develop a park improvement plan for Clifford Kamph Memorial Park, the northern gateway to the California Coastal Trail, in Del Norte County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding."

Findings:

"Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

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1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapters 9 and 10 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding public access and lower cost coastal accommodations respectively.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.
3. The proposed project serves greater than local needs.”

D. MOAT CREEK BEACH PUBLIC ACCESSWAY

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed ninety-four thousand three hundred and seventy-one dollars (\$94,371) to the Moat Creek Managing Agency (“the grantee”) to design, permit, and construct accessibility improvements at Moat Creek Beach accessway and to maintain and operate the accessway for three years, at Moat Creek in Mendocino County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 9 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding a System of Public Accessways.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.
3. Moat Creek Management Agency is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.”

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E. CRESCENT CITY COASTAL TRAIL

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to the City of Crescent City (“the grantee”) to construct a new section of the California Coastal Trail connecting the Crescent City Harbor to Crescent City’s Beachfront Park in Del Norte County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding and Proposition 12 as the source of that funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. To the extent appropriate, the grantee shall incorporate the guidelines of the Conservancy’s ‘Standards and Recommendations for Accessway Location and Development’ into the project.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 9 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding a system of public accessways.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.
3. The Conservancy has independently reviewed and considered the Initial Study/Negative Declaration for the Sunset Circle Multi-Use Trail Project adopted by the City of Crescent City on September 17, 2017 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) and attached to the accompanying staff recommendation as Exhibit 3. The Conservancy finds that the proposed project as designed avoids any potentially significant environmental effects and that there is no substantial evidence based on the record as a whole that the Project may have a significant effect on the environment, as defined in 14 Cal. Code Regulations Section 15382.
4. The proposed project serves greater than local needs.”

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F. CRYSTAL COVE HISTORIC COTTAGES

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of up to two million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$2,900,000), provided by the California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks), to augment the Conservancy grant of two million dollars (\$2,000,000), authorized on February 6, 2020, to the Crystal Cove Conservancy to restore 17 historic cottages on the North Beach of the Crystal Cove Historic District for the purpose of increasing lower-cost coastal accommodations in California. This authorization remains subject to the same conditions contained in the Conservancy’s February 6, 2020 authorization.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that the proposed project remains consistent with the Conservancy’s findings under its February 6, 2020 authorization.”

G. FIVE WOUNDS TRAIL

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of up to eighty-three thousand dollars (\$83,000) to the City of San José to prepare a plan and environmental review documents for an approximately 1.4 mile segment of the Five Wounds Trail, a part of the Bay Area Ridge Trail in Santa Clara County." Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgment of Conservancy funding.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy Program.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.”

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H. INVASIVE SPARTINA PROJECT

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of up to \$800,000 to the California Invasive Plant Council (grantee), to implement the planning, management, treatment, monitoring, and restoration activities of the San Francisco Estuary Invasive Spartina Project (ISP), subject to the following conditions:

1. The grantee shall submit for review and approval of the Conservancy’s Executive Officer:
 - a. A work plan, schedule and budget.
 - b. A list of applicable mitigation measures from the “Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report, San Francisco Estuary Invasive Spartina Project: Spartina Control Program,” certified by the Conservancy on June 16, 2005.
 - c. Evidence that all necessary permits and approvals for the project have been obtained.
2. In carrying out any ISP activity, the grantee shall comply with all applicable mitigation and monitoring measures that are set forth in the approved site-specific plans, that are required by any permit, the applicable U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Biological Opinion or any other approval for the project, and that are identified in the “Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report, San Francisco Estuary Invasive Spartina Project: Spartina Control Program” (EIS/R), certified by the Conservancy on June 16, 2005.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. Disbursement of funds for the planning, management, treatment, monitoring, and restoration activities of the San Francisco Estuary Invasive Spartina Project is consistent with Public Resources Code Sections 31160-31165.
2. The proposed authorization is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.
3. The California Invasive Plant Council is a nonprofit organization existing under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code.”

I. NELSON SLOAN QUARRY RESTORATION

Resolution:

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"The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) to the California Department of Parks and Recreation (State Parks) to augment a previously authorized Conservancy grant of \$250,000 to prepare a restoration plan and conduct environmental review for the Nelson Sloan Quarry Restoration Project in the Tijuana River Valley region of San Diego County. Prior to disbursement of the additional funds, State Parks shall submit for the review and written approval of the Conservancy's Executive Officer a revised detailed work program."

Findings:

"Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization remains consistent with Chapters 3 and 5.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding funding feasibility studies and integrated coastal and marine resources protection, respectively.
2. The proposed project remains consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines."

4. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

- A. Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer, presented the legislative report.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

5. COYOTE VALLEY OPEN SPACE

Brenda Buxton of the Coastal Conservancy presented the Staff Recommendation.

Speaking in favor of the Staff Recommendation: Matt Freeman of the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority.

Resolution:

"The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed five million dollars (\$5,000,000) to the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority ("the grantee") to acquire the approximately 235-acre Sobrato South property (consisting of Santa Clara County Assessor Parcel Numbers 712-03-111 and 712-03-112) for protection of open space, natural floodplain, wildlife habitat, biological resources, and agriculture; natural resource restoration; and public access compatible with all of the foregoing uses and protections.

This authorization is subject to the following conditions:

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1. Prior to the disbursement of funds for the acquisition, the grantee shall submit for the review and approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer):
 - a. All relevant acquisition documents for the acquisition including, without limitation, the appraisal, purchase and sale agreement, deed, escrow instructions, environmental or hazardous materials assessment, and title report;
 - b. A baseline conditions report; and
 - c. Evidence that sufficient funds are available to complete the acquisition.
2. The grantee shall pay no more than fair market value for the property, as established in an appraisal approved by the Executive Officer.
3. The property acquired under this authorization shall be managed and operated for wildlife habitat protection, water quality protection, agricultural preservation, open space and public access. The property shall be permanently dedicated to those purposes by an appropriate instrument approved by the Executive Officer.
4. Conservancy funding shall be acknowledged by erecting and maintaining a sign on the property or in a nearby publicly-viewable area, the design and location of which are to be approved by the Executive Officer.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.”

Moved and seconded. Approved unanimously.

NORTH COAST

6. COCHRAN CREEK

Su Corbaley of the Coastal Conservancy presented the Staff Recommendation.

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed six hundred forty thousand dollars (\$640,000) to California Trout, Inc. (“the grantee”) to implement the Cochran Creek Fish Passage and Channel Restoration Project on

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Humboldt Bay near the city of Eureka. This authorization is subject to the following conditions:

1. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy the following:
 - a. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
 - b. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
 - c. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding and Proposition 1 as the source of that funding.
 - d. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
2. Prior to commencing construction of the project, the grantee shall enter into and record an agreement sufficient to enable the grantee to implement and maintain the project and, , sufficient to protect the public interest in the improvements.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 6 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the enhancement of coastal resources.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.
3. The grantee is a nonprofit organization organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.
4. The Conservancy has independently reviewed and considered the Fish Passage and Habitat Enhancement Project, Cochran Creek and Quail Slough Mitigated Negative Declaration adopted by the County of Humboldt on May 2, 2019 pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and attached to the accompanying staff recommendation as Exhibit 6. The Conservancy finds that the proposed project as designed and mitigated avoids, reduces, or mitigates the potentially significant environmental effects to a less-than-significant level, and that there is no substantial evidence based on the record as a whole that the Project may have a significant effect on the environment, as defined in 14 Cal. Code Regulations Section 15382.”

Moved and seconded. Approved unanimously.

7. DUTCH BILL CREEK

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Lisa Ames of the Coastal Conservancy presented the Staff Recommendation.

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) to Sonoma County Regional Parks (“the grantee”) to acquire approximately 515 acres (Sonoma County Assessor Parcel Nos. 096-010-003, -008, -010, 096-020-003, 096-030-004, 096-040-005, 096-050-007 and 096-080-005) in the Dutch Bill Creek watershed in Sonoma County to protect open space, habitat, natural floodplain, and water quality, and to provide public access consistent with these purposes. This authorization is subject to the following conditions:

1. Prior to the disbursement of funds for the acquisition, the grantee shall submit for the review and approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer): a. All relevant acquisition documents including, without limitation, appraisals, environmental or hazardous materials assessment, title report, purchase and sale agreement, escrow instructions and all documents affecting title; b. A baseline conditions report; and c. Evidence that sufficient funds are available to complete the acquisition.
2. The grantee shall pay no more than fair market value for the property, as established in an appraisal approved by the Executive Officer.
3. The property acquired under this authorization shall be managed and operated to protect open space, habitat, natural floodplain and water quality, and to provide public access consistent with these purposes. The property shall be permanently dedicated to those purposes by an appropriate instrument approved by the Executive Officer.
4. Conservancy funding shall be acknowledged by erecting and maintaining a sign on the property or in a nearby publicly viewable area, the design and location of which are to be approved by the Executive Officer.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy Program.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.”

Moved and seconded. Approved unanimously.

CENTRAL COAST

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8. CAPITOLA PIER

Tim Duff of the Coastal Conservancy presented the Staff Recommendation.

Speaking in favor of the Staff Recommendation: Steve Jesper, City of Capitola

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed one million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$1,900,000) to the City of Capitola (City) to renovate the Capitola Wharf, including pier-widening and installation of restrooms, located along the waterfront in the City of Capitola. Prior to the disbursement of funds the City shall submit for the review and approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. To the extent appropriate, the City shall incorporate the guidelines of the Conservancy’s ‘Standards and Recommendations for Accessway Location and Development’ into the pier renovation project.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with the purposes and objectives of Chapter 9 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding public access.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.
3. The Conservancy has independently reviewed and considered the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Capitola Wharf Resiliency and Public Access Improvement Project adopted by the City of Capitola on June 4, 2020, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) and attached to the accompanying staff recommendation as Exhibit 3. The Conservancy finds that the proposed project as designed and mitigated avoids, reduces, or mitigates the potentially significant environmental effects to a less-than-significant level, and that there is no substantial evidence based on the record as a whole that the Project may have a significant effect on the environment, as defined in 14 Cal. Code Regulations Section 15382.”

Moved and seconded. Approved unanimously.

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9. RANCHO CANADA

Tom Gandesbery of the Coastal Conservancy presented the Staff Recommendation.

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of up to \$1 million dollars (\$1,000,000) of funds granted to the Conservancy by the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District (“District”) to retain and manage consultants to prepare a habitat restoration and enhancement plan, environmental impact analyses, and permit applications for the restoration and enhancement of floodplain habitat on the Carmel River at the Rancho Cañada unit of the Palo Corona Regional Park in Monterey County.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 5.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding Integrated Marine and Coastal Resources.
2. The proposed project is consistent with applicable local watershed management plans and water quality control plans.
3. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.”

Moved and seconded. Approved unanimously.

SOUTH COAST

10. HAMNER AVENUE BRIDGE

Greg Gauthier and Joel Gerwein of the Coastal Conservancy presented the Staff Recommendation.

Speaking in favor of the Staff Recommendation: Patricia Lock Dawson, principal consultant for the Santa Ana River Trail Parkway Local Advisory Group.

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes disbursement of an amount not to exceed two million nine hundred sixty five thousand dollars (\$2,965,000) to the Riverside County Regional Parks and Open Space District (District) for construction of a segment of trail and two access ramps for the Santa Ana River Trail as part of the Hamner Avenue Bridge construction project. Prior to disbursement of funds to the District, the Conservancy’s Executive Officer shall review and approve in writing:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.

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3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. Evidence that the District has entered into agreements sufficient to enable the District to implement, operate, and maintain the project.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with the purposes and objectives of Chapter 4.6 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the Santa Ana River Conservancy Program and funding for recreational opportunities and trails.
2. The proposed project will serve greater than local needs.
3. The proposed authorization is consistent with the current Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.
4. The Conservancy has independently reviewed the Hamner Avenue Bridge Replacement Project Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration adopted by the City of Norco on April 18, 2019. The Conservancy finds that the project as designed avoids, reduces or mitigates the potentially significant environmental effects to a less-than-significant level, and there is no substantial evidence that the project may have a significant effect on the environment, as defined in 14 Cal. Code Regulations Section 15382.”

Moved and seconded. Approved unanimously.

11. TRIANGLE PARK

Greg Gauthier and Joel Gerwein of the Coastal Conservancy presented the Staff Recommendation.

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed five hundred forty-four thousand dollars (\$544,000) to the City of Santa Ana (“City”) to complete final design and restoration of the City of Santa Ana Triangle Park located along the Santa Ana River Trail at 17th Street in the City of Santa Ana, Orange County. Prior to commencement of the project, the City shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy (Executive Officer) the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.

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3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding.
4. Evidence that all permits and approvals required to implement the project have been obtained.
5. Evidence that the City has entered into agreements sufficient to enable the City to implement, operate, and maintain the project.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 4.6 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding the Santa Ana River Conservancy Program and funding for public access to, enjoyment of, and enhancement of the recreational and educational experience on program lands in a manner consistent with the protection of land and natural resources and economic resources in the Santa Ana River area and its tributaries.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.”

Moved and seconded. Approved unanimously.

12. BARRIO LOGAN

Ella McDougall of the Coastal Conservancy presented the Staff Recommendation.

Speaking in favor of the Staff Recommendation: Dominique Navarro, Environmental Health Coalition.

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed two hundred fifty-four thousand five hundred and thirty dollars (\$254,530) to the Environmental Health Coalition (“grantee”) to increase climate resiliency in the Barrio Logan community of San Diego, CA through development of a proposed Barrio Logan Community Plan Update and preparation of a preliminary plan for the Boston Linear Park. Prior to the commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgment of Conservancy’s funding.

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The grantee shall comply with all applicable requirements associated with the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF), including all requirements set forth in the Air Resources Board's GGRF Funding Guidelines."

Findings:

"Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapter 3, Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, Section 31113, regarding addressing climate change and potential climate change impacts.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.
3. The nonprofit organization proposed under this authorization is organized under section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code."

Moved and seconded. Approved unanimously

13. TIJUANA RIVER VALLEY SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT

Sam Jenniches of the Coastal Conservancy presented the Staff Recommendation.

Resolution:

"The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of an amount not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) to the City of Imperial Beach ("the grantee") to prepare a Sediment Management Work Plan and Monitoring Program for the Tijuana River Valley in San Diego County. Prior to commencement of the project, the grantee shall submit for the review and written approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy the following:

1. A detailed work program, schedule, and budget.
2. Names and qualifications of any contractors to be retained in carrying out the project.
3. A plan for acknowledgement of Conservancy funding."

Findings:

"Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed authorization is consistent with Chapters 3 and 5.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code, regarding funding plans and integrated coastal and marine resources protection, respectively.

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2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Conservancy Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.”

14. CONSERVANCY MEMBER COMMENTS

Stephen Padilla, Gayle Miller, and Joseph Alioto Jr. made remarks regarding the Black Lives Matter social justice movement. Chair Bosco indicated that the Conservancy’s Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) Guidelines will be brought to the Conservancy for adoption in September 2020.

15. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Member Anna Christensen of the Los Cerritos Wetlands Task Force spoke about concerns regarding the Los Cerritos Wetlands Restoration Project.

Hilary Walecka of the Coastal Conservancy read a written comment submitted by Angela Kemsley of WILDCOAST thanking the Conservancy for support of WILDCOAST’s Explore My MPAs Project.

16. CLOSED SESSION

Meeting was closed to the public at 12:17 P.M. and re-opened at 12:31 P.M.

During the closed session, the Conservancy received information and advice from counsel regarding:

Pappas, et al. v. State Coastal Conservancy, et al., Santa Barbara County Superior Court, Case No. 1417388.

Sonoma Land Trust v. Thompson, et al., Sonoma County Superior Court, Case No. SCV 258010.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 12:32 P.M.