



A G E N D A

ORANGE COUNTY PARKS COMMISSION

Thursday, January 6, 2022 7:00 p.m.



**IRVINE RANCH HISTORIC PARK
OC PARKS HEADQUARTERS
13042 OLD MYFORD ROAD
IRVINE, CA**

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The Orange County Parks Commission welcomes you to this meeting. This agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The Commission encourages your participation and welcomes public comments on items under the purview of the Commission. If you wish to speak on a matter that does not appear on the agenda, you may do so during the Public Comment period at the beginning of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda. When addressing the Commission, please state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Speakers may be limited to three (3) minutes.

The OC Parks Commission meeting will be an in-person meeting held at the Mess Hall at OC Parks' Headquarters (13042 Old Myford Road, Irvine, CA 92602). Please be advised that County health guidelines apply to this meeting: <https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/article/oc-health-officers-orders-recommendations>

Public speaker request forms will be available onsite.

All supporting documentation is available for public review at <https://www.ocparks.com/about/commission> under the "Agendas and Minutes" link or by calling 949-923-3785 during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

OC COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Orange County Parks Commission Duties and Responsibilities

(O.C. Codified Ordinances Sec. 2-2-19: Paraphrased)

Except as otherwise provided, the Orange County Parks Commission shall be advisory to the Board of Supervisors and to the Director of OC Parks, and shall have the power and duty:

1. To recommend to the Board of Supervisors plans and policies for the acquisition, development, maintenance and operation of the harbors, beaches and regional parks of the County;
2. On request of the Board of Supervisors, to advise the Board and make recommendations on any matter pertaining to harbors, beaches and regional parks, and any other matters referred by the Board;
3. On request of the Director, to advise on any question of administrative policy and regarding any matter to be decided by the Director under this division;
4. On appeal from an administrative decision by the Director, to act as a board of administrative review;
5. To make such investigations as it may deem necessary in the exercise of its powers;
6. To perform the duties and functions of the County Fish and Game Commission assigned by either statute or this code, and consider methods for the propagation and protection of fish and game in the State of California and County of Orange. The Commission shall be advisory body to the Board of Supervisors.

OC Parks Commission Regular Meeting Schedule: First Thursday, Monthly, 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2022 — 7:00pm

I. ROLL CALL

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

At this time, members of the public may address the Commission on items of public interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission and are not contained in tonight's agenda.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR (Item A)

The following item on the consent calendar will be approved by one motion unless a Commission member requests to pull a specific item.

A. Approve Commission minutes for November 4, 2021.

IV. DISCUSSION CALENDAR (Items A–D)

A. IRVINE LAKE REAL ESTATE INSTRUMENTS

The County of Orange ("County"), Serrano Water District, Irvine Ranch Water District, and The Irvine Company are working on real estate instruments related to Irvine Lake, primarily to memorialize arrangements already set forth in an item that was brought to the County Board of Supervisors in 2014. As part of this transaction, easements between the County and the Water Districts to memorialize existing access and an assignment to transfer water recreation rights from The Irvine Company to the County are proposed.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file.

B. PARK RANGER ACADEMY PRESENTATION

Staff will provide a presentation that details the recruitment and training process for Park Rangers.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file.

C. AMENDMENTS TO THE COMMISSION BYLAWS REGARDING COMMISSION MEETING TIME CHANGE AND VOTING MAJORITY REQUIREMENTS

Amendment of the bylaws to change the meeting time for future meetings from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m. is proposed, following Commission discussion at its November 2021 meeting. Addition of a majority vote provision to the bylaws,

which is consistent with the County Board-approved Bylaws Template, is also proposed.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Approve amendment of the Orange County Parks Commission Bylaws to change the meeting time to 6:00 p.m.
2. Approve amendment of the Orange County Parks Commission Bylaws to add a voting majority provision.

D. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2022

The bylaws of the Commission require that the Commission elect a Chair and Vice-Chair for the calendar year at the first meeting of that year.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Nominate and select Commissioners to serve in the following positions for Calendar Year 2022:

1. Orange County Parks Commission Chair.
2. Orange County Parks Commission Vice-Chair.

V. OC PARKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

B. UPCOMING OC PARKS EVENTS

Wilderness Access Day — Black Star Canyon | Black Star Canyon Wilderness Park — Saturday, January 8, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- Black Star Canyon offers designated trails for self-guided hiking, biking, and equestrian use. A variety of trail loops offer extended exploration throughout the canyons. Take time to explore the local plant communities and beautiful scenery.
- No pre-registration is required. An information booth with trail maps and suggested routes will be available in the staging area.
- Parking is limited on Black Star Canyon Road and carpooling is strongly recommended.

Winter Birding Basics — Upper Newport Bay Nature Preserve — Saturday, January 15, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

- Upper Newport Bay is known for hosting thousands of migratory birds during the fall and winter. On this introductory walk, learn the basics of

bird watching and identification to enjoy this amazing seasonal phenomenon.

- All ages welcome. Binoculars will be available for bird viewing.
- Pre-registration is required on lets goooutside.org/ocparks/activities.

Restoration Day – Planting at Peters Canyon — Peters Canyon Regional Park — Saturday, January 23, 7:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

- Lend a helping hand to help improve the native habitat in Peters Canyon Regional Park. Plant and water dozens of native plants that will encourage the local wildlife to thrive.
- Bring strong gardening gloves, trail snacks and water, and wear sun protection and clothes you don't mind getting dirty in.
- Pre-registration is required on lets goooutside.org/ocparks/activities.

VI. COMMISSION COMMENTS AND REPORT

At this time Commissioners may comment on agenda or non-agenda matters and ask questions of or give direction to staff, provided that no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law.

VII. ADJOURNMENT