



AGENDA

ORANGE COUNTY PARKS COMMISSION

Thursday, May 5, 2022, 6:00 p.m.



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

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Tom Starnes

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.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those requiring accommodations for this meeting should notify OC Parks 72 hours prior to the meeting at Admin.ocparkscommission@ocparks.com or 949-923-3785.

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, 6:00 p.m.

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THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022 — 6:00 p.m.

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 (Items A–B)

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 March 3, 2022.

B. Approve Commission minutes for April 9, 2022.

IV. DISCUSSION CALENDAR (Items A–B)

A. OC PARKS FISCAL YEAR 2022–2023 BUDGET PRESENTATION

Staff will provide a presentation on the budget for the upcoming 2022–23 fiscal year.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file.

B. ORANGE COUNTY LAKE FISHING PRESENTATION

Staff will provide a presentation that provides details on fishing in County lakes.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file.

V. OC PARKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

B. UPCOMING OC PARKS EVENTS

Wilderness Access Day: Black Star Canyon — Saturday, May 7 — 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

- Black Star Canyon offers pleasant introductory trails for beginner hikers and families as well as challenging experiences for seasoned trail users. Designated trails will be open 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 in easy 30-minute walks or take in 7+ miles in a strong cardio trek.

- Pre-registration is not required for this event, though it is available on the website.
- If you need driving directions, use the online registration to receive a map and instructions for getting to the Baker Canyon Staging Area.
- Parking is limited on Black Star Canyon Road and carpooling is strongly recommended.
- You will not be required to sign-in upon arrival, though an information booth with trail maps and suggested routes will be available in the staging area.
- Dogs are prohibited in the Irvine Ranch Open Space.
- Minors ages 18 and under should be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Rancho Days Fiesta — Heritage Hill Historical Park — Saturday, May 7 — 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

- Come explore the rich history of Orange County's rancho era through hands-on activities, crafts, music, dance and more at the annual Heritage Hill Historical Park Rancho Days Fiesta!
- Activities and performances include Native American and Folklorico dancing, Early California ranching hands-on activities and exhibitors, pinata breaking and crafts for children, Charro horse riding and roping demonstrations and more. Historic buildings will be open for tours.
- No pre-registration required.
- Event and parking are free.
- Pets are welcome outdoors only on leashes no longer than 6 feet.

Creepy, Crawly, and Cool...Bugs Up-Close — Mason Regional Park — Saturday, May 7 — 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

- Join OC Parks and Laguna Canyon Foundation for an event celebrating arthropods. Doodlebug Animal Adventures will bring some of their favorite live, crawly friends. Check out Mason's successful butterfly garden to learn how to create your own!
- Online registration is required prior to the event.
- Parking fee is \$5 per car on weekends.

Friday the 13th Full Moon Hike — Peters Canyon Regional Park — Friday, May 13 — 7:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.

- Come explore the nocturnal sights and sounds as we hit the trails on this leisure night hike.

- Wear warm layers, sturdy footwear, and bring water and a red tinted flashlight if possible.
- This hike is not recommended for very small children or strollers.
- Advance online registration is required.

Global Big Day at the Bay — Upper Newport Bay Nature Preserve — Saturday, May 14 — 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.

- The Global Big Day is an international bird watching event sponsored by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and this year we will be participating at Upper Newport Bay. Last year more than 51,000 people from 192 countries participated help us break the record this year! Learn the basics of the e-bird program and walk the bay, recording birds that you observe.
- No experience is necessary and loaner binoculars will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Minors under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a legal guardian at all times.
- Event and parking are free.
- Walk-ins are welcome, but space is limited. Registration is highly suggested.

Nature Day at Riley — Riley Wilderness Park — Saturday, May 14 — 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

- OC Parks invites children and families to Nature Day at Riley Wilderness Park! Come ready to learn all about local flora and fauna at this free, family-friendly event. Activities will include educational partners and exhibitors, native plant and craft giveaways, a live butterfly enclosure, face painting, storytelling and more.
- No pre-registration required.
- Event and parking are free.

OC Zoo Large Mammal Exhibit Opening Celebration — Orange County Zoo — Friday, May 13 and Saturday, May 14 — 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. and 10 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- Join OC Parks for the opening celebration of the new Large Mammal Exhibit at the OC Zoo! The 2-acre habitat is the zoo's largest expansion project to date and will house several North American cats, including a pair of mountain lion cub sisters. Special activities for people of all ages will be available along with fun giveaways. As part of the weekend celebration, visitors will also have an opportunity to submit their naming suggestions for the mountain lion kittens. The Large Mammal Exhibit will also house an adult mountain lion, a male mountain lion cub and an adult jaguar.

- Zoo admission: \$2 per person ages 3 and over; ages 2 and under are free.
- Celebration activities are free.
- Parking is \$3 per vehicle on weekdays and \$5 per vehicle on weekends.
- No advance registration required.

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