



AGENDA



ORANGE COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

PETER AND MARY MUTH INTERPRETIVE CENTER

2301 University Drive
Newport Beach, CA 92660

LYNNE YAUGER, Chair
Third District

STEVE SARKIS, Vice Chair
First District

KRISTINA SENFT
Fourth District

BARBARA GOSSETT
First District

BARBARA FORCE JOHANNES
Fifth District

MARY ANN REMNET
First District

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Fifth District

MARYANNE SKORPANICH
Second District

MARIANNE TAYLOR
Fifth District

PHILIP CHINN
Second District

VACANT
Second District

PAMELA HARRELL
Third District

VACANT
Fourth District

MARILYN THOMS
Third District

VACANT
Fourth District

Executive Officer
Dennis Shaffer

Staff Support
Brianna Lopez

The Orange County Historical Commission welcomes you to this meeting. This agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The Commission shall not hold a meeting unless the number of members participating constitutes a quorum of the Commission. 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 Participation 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. Public speaker request forms will be available onsite. The OC Parks Historical Commission meeting will be an in-person meeting held at the Peter and Mary Muth Interpretive Center (2301 University Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660). 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 (714) 973-6606.

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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 today's agenda.

III. CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEM(S) A)

The following item(s) on the consent calendar will be approved by one motion unless a Commissioner requests to pull a specific item.

A. APPROVE COMMISSION MINUTES FOR THE AUGUST 6, 2024 MEETING

IV. STAFF UPDATE (ITEM(S) A)

A. CULTURAL RESOURCES OPERATIONS FACILITY UPDATE

Staff will give an update on the recent happenings within the Cultural Resources Operations at historical facilities.

V. DISCUSSION CALENDAR (ITEM(S) A–D)

A. COMMISSION FISCAL YEAR 2024–2025 AD-HOC COMMITTEE

The Chair will discuss the creation of a limited-duration ad-hoc committee to assist in discussion and development of the Commission Fiscal Year 2024–2025 Budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Recommend the Chair establish the Orange County Historical Commission Fiscal Year 2024–2025 Budget Ad-Hoc Committee with a dissolution date of December 31, 2024.
2. Recommend the Chair select up to three Commissioners to serve on the Orange County Historical Commission Fiscal Year 2024–2025 Budget Ad-Hoc Committee until the designated dissolution date.

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B. AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR DRAFTING LETTER TOWARDS THE GENERAL PLAN

The Chair will discuss the creation of a limited-duration ad-hoc committee to assist in the creation of a letter to be issued to OC Public Works in support of OC history in the County of Orange's General Plan.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Recommend the Chair establish the General Plan Letter Ad-Hoc Committee with a dissolution date of December 31, 2024.
2. Recommend the Chair select up to three Commissioners to serve on the General Plan Letter Ad-Hoc Committee until the designated dissolution date.

C. COMMISSIONER ROLES REPORTS

Commissioners will provide updates on the latest developments or request input from the Commission in their assigned roles.

1. Administrative — Vacant
2. Arden: Helena Modjeska — Harrell
3. Cooper Center — Gossett
4. Grants — Remnet
5. Heritage Hill — Taylor
6. Historic Preservationist — Chinn
7. OC Archives — Skorpanich
8. Oral History — Remnet
9. Plaque Program — Thoms
10. Publications — Richonne
11. Public Events — Johannes
12. Treasurer — Senft

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RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

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D. PETER AND MARY MUTH INTERPRETIVE CENTER TOUR

The Upper Newport Bay’s Peter and Mary Muth Interpretive Center, located in the County’s premier nature preserve of Upper Newport Bay, features the area’s natural beauty within a state-of-the-art-facility. Considered a “critical estuary” habitat – Upper Newport Bay is one of the most pristine remaining estuaries in Southern California. This tour will showcase the interpretive center and how it helps visitors better learn about and appreciate the Upper Newport Bay Nature Preserve.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file.

VI. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORT

At this time Commissioners may comment on agenda or non-agenda matters, provided that no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law.

VII. ADJOURNMENT