



AGENDA

ORANGE COUNTY PARKS COMMISSION

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2025, 6:00 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 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 Commission meeting will be an in-person meeting held at the Mess Hall at OC Parks' Headquarters (13042 Old Myford Road, Irvine, CA 92602).

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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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I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

III. 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.

IV. 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 7, 2025 MEETING

V. DISCUSSION CALENDAR (ITEM(S) A–C)

A. BROWN ACT PRESENTATION

County Counsel will provide a presentation on the various provisions of the Brown Act.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file.

B. OC PARKS FALL AND WINTER EVENTS PREVIEW

Staff will present a preview of upcoming OC Parks fall and winter events.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file.

C. COMMISSION 2025 MEETING AND FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE AMENDMENT

Staff propose to amend the Commission's 2025 Meeting and Field Trip Schedule to hold a field trip either on Friday, December 5 or 12, 2025 to Heritage Hill Historical Park in lieu of a meeting on December 4, 2025.

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RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

OC Parks Commission to select and recommend one of the following actions:

1. Amend the Orange County Parks Commission 2025 Meeting and Field Trip Schedule to cancel the meeting on December 4, 2025 and hold a field trip at Heritage Hill Historical Park on Friday, December 5, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

OR

2. Amend the Orange County Parks Commission 2025 Meeting and Field Trip Schedule to cancel the meeting on December 4, 2025 and hold a field trip at Heritage Hill Historical Park on Friday, December 12, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

VI. OC PARKS DIRECTOR'S REPORT (ITEM(S) A–B)

A. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

B. UPCOMING OC PARKS EVENTS

Fall-O-Ween – Heritage Hill Historical Park – October 10–12 & 17–19, 4:30 – 8:30 p.m.

- Tour the decorated historical grounds and take your picture at a variety of Halloween and fall-themed photo opportunities during special park hours. Try to find your way through the straw maze and complete a scavenger hunt for ghoulish goodies at this family-friendly event. Costumes are encouraged and pets are welcome on leashes no longer than 6 feet.

Boo at the Oaks – Santiago Oaks Regional Park – October 18, 5:30 – 9:30 p.m.

- Visit Santiago Oaks Regional Park after dark to discover the critters that call the canyon home. The night will include fun activities like nature stations, creative crafts, scavenger hunt for prizes and guided night hikes throughout the evening!

Halloween Zoo-tacular at the OC Zoo – October 25, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

- Activities include a scavenger hunt, trick-or-treating, and spooky crafts for kids! Come see the zoo animals receive treat-filled pumpkins throughout the day!

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Boo at the Bay: Family Halloween Party – Upper Newport Bay Nature Preserve – October 25, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

- We will read spooky stories, make creepy crafts, conduct wacky science experiments, meet bizarre animals and play hair-raising games. The event will also feature booths and exhibits from nature-minded community partners including the Orange County Bird of Prey Center, the Environmental Nature Center, and Critter Squad: Wildlife Defenders.

VII. 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.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT