

**MINUTES - DRAFT**

**City of Orange**

**Santiago Creek Commission**

January 22, 2025

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The Santiago Creek Commission of the City of Orange, California convened on January 22, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in a Regular Meeting in the Council Chamber, 300 E Chapman Avenue, Orange, California.

**1. OPENING/CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Moeller called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by Commissioner Robert Baca

**1.2 ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Galera, Adams, Baca, Hillman, Knight, Tillou, and Moeller

**Absent:** None

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**3.1. Approval of minutes of the Santiago Creek Commission Regular Meeting held on October 23, 2024.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Tillou, seconded by Commissioner Knight, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Galera, Adams, Baca, Hillman, Knight, Tillou, and Moeller

**Noes:** None

**Absent:** None

**4. COMMISSION BUSINESS**

**4.1. Review and discuss the Santiago Creek Strategic Plan - Segment One recommended projects and vision statement as well as the Santiago Creek Strategic Plan - Segment Two area and property ownership map.**

Senior Assistant to the City Manager Jack Morgan presented the staff report for the Santiago Creek Segment One recommended projects and shared the Segment Two area and property ownership map.

Commissioners Moeller, Baca, Hillman and Tillou reviewed their proposed projects listed on the First Segment Planning Sheet.

Public Speakers:

Ron Newcomb shared his visit to the Santiago Creek and highlighted natural features of the area.

Adrienne Gladson recommended incorporation of the watershed areas into the segment vision statement and encouraged development of active recreational areas.

Dru Whitefeather clarified the bed of the creek is federal water. He highlighted nearby developments that may impact the trail and requested the bridge on Cannon St. be horse accessible.

Theresa Sears is impressed with the projects proposed and suggested working groups for each segment.

It was commission consensus that the vision statement for Segment Two should focus on historic significance, active recreation, educational opportunities, convenient access, improving public safety, and preservation. Additionally, Commissioners discussed and requested city owned properties be accurately marked on the area map.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tillou, seconded by Chair Moeller, to include the projects as presented in Segment One and incorporate the circulation element of the General Plan. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Galera, Adams, Baca, Hillman, Knight, Tillou, and Moeller

**Noes:** None

**Absent:** None

## 5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

The next Regular Santiago Creek Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber.

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Jack Morgan  
Sr. Assistant to the City Manager