

Community Services Advisory Commission  
Special Meeting  
City Hall - Caldwell Park Conference Room  
777 Cypress Avenue  
Redding, California  
March 7, 2015

## MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 9:00a.m.

### ATTENDANCE

The following Commissioners were present; John Deaton, Erin Resner and Judy Salter. Also present were Community Services Director Kimberly Niemer and Mayor Francie Sullivan.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public.

### FIELD TRIP TO OREGON GULCH

On the morning of March 7<sup>th</sup>, Mayor Francie Sullivan, Community Services Director Kimberly Niemer, Commissioners John Deaton, Erin Resner and Judy Salter visited the City of Redding property referred to as Oregon Gulch.

Located West of CA Route 273 beyond Kenyon Drive, Oregon Gulch consists of 385 acres of intact habitat of foothill oak, woodland and native chaparral plants. The property presents an opportunity to preserve a large scenic parcel complete with a creek, abundant wildlife and an array of native plants with connectivity to neighborhoods and the Westside Trails network. Organizations such as the Audubon Society, Native Plant Society, Trails and Bikeway, and Sierra Club have all recognized the value of the area's natural-state.

Given there have been a number of discussions regarding Oregon Gulch's significance as an important open space area worthy of protection and designation as a public park, the field trip was taken in order to evaluate the property in the context of the Open Space Strategy of the Parks Master Plan currently under review.

### ADJOURNMENT



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Erin Resner, Chair