SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

(Action Items Displayed in Italics)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2026 — 10:00 a.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Chair Skorpanich, Vice-Chair Richonne, and Commissioners Chinn, Harrell, Sarkis, Thoms, and Yauger were present. Commissioners Brown, Gossett, Johannes, Maahs, Moodian, and Senft were absent.

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.

No comments were received from the public.

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 SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 MEETING

Motion: Commissioner Richonne
2nd: Commissioner Sarkis
Approved 6–0-1 Commissioner Thoms abstained.

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.

Dennis Shaffer, OC Parks Operations Manager, provided an update on current projects at the historical facilities and answered the Commissioners' questions.

V. DISCUSSION CALENDAR (ITEM(S) A–D)

A. NOVEMBER MEETING DISCUSSION

The Commission will consider making changes to its meeting schedule for the November 3, 2026 meeting due to a change in venue availability.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Change the meeting schedule on November 3, 2026, originally a field trip to the SJC Mission, to be a regular meeting at the Irvine Ranch Historic Park.

Motion: Commissioner Richonne
2nd: Commissioner Yauger
Commissioner Thoms abstained.
Approved 7–0

B. COMMISSION'S PROPOSED 2027 MEETING AND FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE

The Commission's meeting and field trip schedule is provided for review and approval.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Approve the Orange County Historical Commission's 2027 Meeting and Field Trip Schedule.

Motion: Commissioner Skorpanich
2nd: Commissioner Richonne
Approved 7–0

C. ARDEN: HELENA MODJESKA HISTORIC HOUSE AND GARDENS UPDATE

Staff will provide an update on the recent developments at Arden: Helena Modjeska Historic House and Gardens.

Katie McKay, OC Parks Curator, provided an update on the site and answered Commissioners' questions.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Receive and file.

Item was received and filed.

D. COMMISSIONER ROLES AND REPORTS

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

1. Brown – Oral Histories

2. Chinn – Historic Preservation

3. Harrell – Arden: Helena Modjeska Historic House and Gardens

4. Johannes – Public Events

5. Moodian – Oral Histories

6. Richonne – Website & Publications

7. Sarkis -- Networking Event

8. Senft – Finance & Website

9. Skorpanich—Website

10. Thoms – Cooper Center

11. Yauger -- Networking Event

12. Gossett – OC Archives

Commissioners provided updates for their roles if they had information to provide.

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 *11:05 a.m.*