SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES

(Action Items Displayed in Italics)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026 — 10:00 a.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Chair Skorpanich, Vice Chair Richonne, and Commissioners Brown, Chinn, Gossett, Harrell, Johannes, Maahs (arrived during Item IV.A.), Moodian, Sarkis, Thoms, and Yauger were present. Commissioner Senft was 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 OCTOBER 6, 2026 MEETING

Motion: Commissioner Sarkis
2nd: Vice Chair Richonne
Approved 10–0–1 (Commissioner Brown 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–C)

A. DISCUSSION OF ANNUAL NETWORKING EVENT

Review plans for the upcoming Annual Networking event, including venue options, budget considerations, scheduling and timeline. Identify any upcoming needs and outline next steps to ensure timely preparation.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Discuss preparations for Commission' Annual Networking Event and authorize any action items for further preparations, if necessary.

Committee provided an update on possible planning for upcoming event. Commissioner Moodian recommended a future site.

B. SELECTION OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR COMMISSION OFFICERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2027

Discussion and selection of Commissioners to serve on a committee to nominate candidates for Chair and Vice Chair positions for Calendar Year 2027. Selection of officers will take place at the Commission's December 2026 meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Select three (3) Commissioners to serve on a Nominating Committee to nominate Commission officers for Calendar Year 2027 for consideration and election at the Commission's December 2026 meeting.

A motion was made that Commissioners interested in a position would inform Commissioner Moodian in the next two weeks, and otherwise the nominations of the current roster would be renominated.

Motion: Chair Skorpanich
2nd: Commissioner Gossett
Approved 12–0

C. 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 *10:45 a.m.*

ORANGE COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

STAFF REPORT

FROM: Dennis Shaffer, Executive Officer **DATE:** December 1, 2026

SUBJECT: OC Historical Commission's 2027 Meeting and Field Trip Schedule Amendments

Following the adoption of the Commission's 2027 Meeting and Field Trip Schedule at its October 2027 meeting, amendments to the field trip locations have become necessary due to location availability. Below is an amended 2027 Meeting and Field Trip Schedule for the Commission's review. The Commission meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m., unless otherwise indicated. Seasonal field trips provide the Commission with valuable onsite experiences at various historical sites within the County. The locations and dates of these field trips have been tentatively scheduled for 2027, as noted below. Please note that meetings may be cancelled, rescheduled, or moved at the Chair's discretion.

January 5	Irvine Ranch Historic Park (Regular Meeting)
February 2	Flying Leatherneck Aviation Museum ~~Ralph B. Clark Regional Park Interpretive Center~~ (Field Trip)
March 2	Irvine Ranch Historic Park (Regular Meeting)
April 6	Irvine Ranch Historic Park (Regular Meeting)
May 4	San Juan Capistrano Mission Cemetery (Field Trip)
June 1	Irvine Ranch Historic Park (Regular Meeting)
July 6	No Meeting
August 3	Irvine Ranch Historic Park (Regular Meeting)
September 7	Ralph B. Clark Regional Park – Interpretive Center ~~Irvine Historical Museum~~ (Field Trip)
October 5	Irvine Ranch Historic Park (Regular Meeting)
November 2	Crystal Cove State Park (Field Trip)
December 7	Irvine Ranch Historic Park (Regular Meeting)
January 4, 2028	Irvine Ranch Historic Park (Regular Meeting)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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

ON BEHALF OF:
Dennis Shaffer