

INFORMATIONAL BOARD REPORT

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

April 07, 2022

TO: BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

FROM: MICHAEL A. SHULL, General Manager



SUBJECT: VARIOUS COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications addressed to the Board have been received by the Board Office, and the action taken thereon is presented.

<u>From</u>		<u>Action Taken</u>
1) Comments regarding Griffith Park Pony Ride	#9054acv- #9054aid	Referred to General Manager
2) Eric Drachman comments regarding Glen Alla Dog Park	#9081a	Referred to General Manager
3) Margaret Molloy comments regarding Glen Alla Dog Park	#9081b	Referred to General Manager
4) Elizabeth Lovins comments regarding Wings of Mexico	#9087b	Referred to General Manager
5) John Betz comments regarding Westminster Park	#9092i	Referred to General Manager
6) Shakti Naidoo comments regarding Westminster Park	#9092j	Referred to General Manager
7) John Betz comments regarding Westminster Park	#9092k	Referred to General Manager
8) John Baginski comments regarding Westminster Park	#9092l	Referred to General Manager
9) John Betz comments regarding Westminster Park	#9092m	Referred to General Manager
10) John Baginski comments regarding Westminster Park	#9092n	Referred to General Manager
11) Lisa Gaines comments regarding Westchester Park	#9094c	Referred to General Manager

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12) Jay Park comments on behalf of Pico Union Neighborhood Council as President regarding renaming Pico Union Park	#9096	Referred to General Manager
13) Greg Pritikin comments regarding Echo Park Fence	#9097	Referred to General Manager
14) Imani Ballard comments regarding Silver Lake Recreation Center	#9098	Referred to General Manager
15) Christina Spitz on behalf of Pacific Palisades Community Council regarding George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon	#9099	Referred to General Manager
16) Christina Spitz on behalf of Pacific Palisades Community Council regarding George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon	#9099a	Referred to General Manager
17) Christina Spitz on behalf of Pacific Palisades Community Council regarding George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon	#9099b	Referred to General Manager
18) Christina Spitz on behalf of Pacific Palisades Community Council regarding George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon	#9099c	Referred to General Manager
19) Christina Spitz on behalf of Pacific Palisades Community Council regarding George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon	#9099d	Referred to General Manager
20) Jerome Puttler comments regarding Park Ranger	#9100	Referred to General Manager
21) Jerome Puttler comments regarding Park Ranger	#9100a	Referred to General Manager
22) Elizabeth Lovins comments regarding Prometheus Vandalism in MacArthur Park	#9101	Referred to General Manager

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23) Jennifer Massey comments regarding Nighttime Bocce at Palisades Recreation Center	#9102	Referred to General Manager
24) Jennifer Massey Nighttime Bocce at Palisades Recreation Center	#9102a	Referred to General Manager
25) Alex Shin comments regarding Golf reservations	#9103	Referred to General Manager
26) Jeremiah Christopher comments regarding Hollywoodland Bikes and Hikes LA tours	#9104	Referred to General Manager
27) Levi Zollinger comments regarding Spring Park	#9105	Referred to General Manager
28) Paul Moore comments regarding Runyon Canyon Bathrooms	#9106	Referred to General Manager
29) Alex Stern comments regarding Runyon Canyon parking lot	#9106a	Referred to General Manager
30) Zohra Fahim comments regarding Griffith Park Pony Ride	#9107	Referred to General Manager
31) City Council Motion regarding Recreation and Parks Assessment appropriation/transfer need to hire Consultant	#9108	Note and File
32) City Council Motion regarding Summer Olympics and Paralympics Games	#9109	Note and File
33) Brooke comments regarding Potrero Canyon Park Irrigation	#9110	Referred to General Manager
34) Cindy Pease comments regarding proposed Dog Park on behalf of Villas Cabrini Homeowners Association	#9111	Referred to General Manager

Prepared by Carolyn Shannon-Joyner, RAP Commission Office



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Kathleen Cullen <>

Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 1:53 PM

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 11:02 AM Kathleen Cullen <> wrote:

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Kathy Cullen

Sent from my iPhone

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Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 1:53 PM

To: Paige Parsons Roache <

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Good afternoon,

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 11:25 AM Paige Parsons Roache <

> wrote:

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~Paige

Paige Parsons Roache
Los Angeles County resident

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To: Matt Florin <

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 11:29 AM Matt Florin <

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To: Nyka Lopez >

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 11:32 AM Nyka Lopez < > wrote:

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 12:35 PM Fernando Spindola <
Hi Lieutenant Peregrina,

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Timothy Hurwitz <

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 12:41 PM Timothy Hurwitz < > wrote:
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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 12:45 PM Mike Fujimori < > wrote:
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Best Wishes,
Jessica Dacher

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

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Kind Regards Mr M. Owen (

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 3:20 PM

To: Veda Stram <

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Good afternoon,

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 2:23 PM Veda Stram <

> wrote:

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To: Timothy Hurwitz <

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 2:37 PM Timothy Hurwitz < > wrote:
Hi Lieutenant Peregrina,

Date: 3/13/22
Time: 4:45 pm

The location of the violation is Griffith Park and Pony Ride:

4400 Crystal Springs Drive
Los Angeles C.A. 90027

Thank you for taking my concerns seriously.

On Mon, Mar 14, 2022, 1:59 PM Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> wrote:
Good afternoon,

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 12:41 PM Timothy Hurwitz < > wrote:
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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: I would like to request a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Wendy Hollis <>

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 7:48 AM

Good morning,

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 3:34 PM Wendy Hollis <> wrote:

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Wendy Hollis

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1 message

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Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 7:48 AM

To: Elham <

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 4:19 PM Elham <

> wrote:

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Theresa Elizabeth <t

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 6:01 PM Theresa Elizabeth <

> wrote:
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1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Betsy Burmeister <

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 7:49 AM

Good morning,

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 6:28 PM Betsy Burmeister < wrote:
Hi Lieutenant Peregrina,

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Respectfully,

Betsy Burmeister

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 7:50 AM

To: ginny <

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 6:30 PM ginny <

wrote:

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Sincerely,
Ginny Rankin

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: KURT & ELLEN KRONINGER >

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 7:50 AM

Good morning,

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 6:44 PM KURT & ELLEN KRONINGER < > wrote:

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Kind regards,
Ellen Kroninger

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 7:51 AM

To: Dana Buchanan < >

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 6:44 PM Dana Buchanan < > wrote:

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Best, Dana

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 8:17 AM

To: maria rios <

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 7:44 PM maria rios <

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To: Rubi Ramirez <

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 7:45 PM Rubi Ramirez < > wrote:

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To: lynn freudenberg <

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The public is watching Griffith Park and the pony rides. I am appalled that LA County is not responding to the complaints made by citizens of Los Angeles. The ponies are suffering. Please do not turn a blind eye to animal abuse.

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1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Anthony Shale <

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To: EDC <

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 8:24 AM

To: Sara Podwol <

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Good morning,

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 9:22 PM Sara Podwol <

wrote:

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Alondra Reveles <

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 8:25 AM

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Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 8:26 AM

To: Javier Ramirez <

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Susan Willard <

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 8:28 AM

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 8:29 AM

To: karen elger <

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Valerie DeLuccia <

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 8:40 AM

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On Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 8:30 AM Valerie DeLuccia < wrote:
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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Cheryl Travers < >

Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 11:53 AM

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On Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 8:42 AM Cheryl Travers < >
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wrote:

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On Mar 15, 2022, at 11:27, Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> wrote:

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Linda Middlesworth <

Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 11:54 AM

Good afternoon,

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On Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 12:55 PM Linda Middlesworth <

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Zarghona Santos >

Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 11:57 AM

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On Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 10:10 AM Zarghona Santos < > wrote:
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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Please cancel contract, and replace park with non-animal model!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 12:11 PM

To: Samuel Astrof <

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Good afternoon,

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On Fri, Mar 11, 2022 at 11:20 AM Samuel Astrof <

Dear Commissioners and Michael Shull,

Griffith Park and Pony Rides shall pay Rec and Park a revenue-sharing fee of 25 % of their gross income, and as a LA constituent, I do not want city funds generated from animal abuse.

Animal abuse is tying a pony for almost seven hours a day on a turnstile, plodding around in endless circles.

Pony rides regardless of who is operating them, are no longer acceptable in these modern times when we reject the exploitation of animals for amusement and profit. The institution, itself, the pony rides are problematic because they inevitably teach children the wrong lessons about animals, that they are not sentient beings but objects for amusement.

I request that you recommend to the Arts and Park Committee that the pony ride contract not be renewed and that a study be undertaken to consider alternative proposals for the site that would engage children and families, that are generated from a non-animal model.

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 2:01 PM

To: go to LolitaDarkMusic <

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Sincerely,
Reiko AA Takahashi

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Griffith Park Pony Rides

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 2:02 PM

To: Tridoshic 1 <

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On Thu, Mar 17, 2022 at 5:38 AM Tridoshic 1 <

> wrote:

Hi Commissioners,

The ponies at Griffith Park are abused, neglected, and depressed. Please watch the youtube video of Griffith Park footage. Thank You

<https://youtu.be/2dLAnBX2YFc>

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

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1 message

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To: V L < >

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On Thu, Mar 17, 2022 at 10:55 AM V L < > wrote:

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Concerned Citizen



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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: JedSoliz >

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

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Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 2:16 PM

To: Adam Larrea <

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

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To: Sandra Bell >

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Anyone having charge or custody of animal overworks, deprives of necessary sustenance, drink, or shelter, or fails to provide the animal with proper food, drink, or shelter or protection from the weather, is guilty of a crime.

Your investigation provided no violations for California Penal Code 597 overworking elderly ponies, pushing elderly ponies to perform rides in extreme hot temperatures, not providing water to elderly ponies for almost seven hours in 90 F on turnstile, and no water for petting zoo animals.

As a California constituent I want my tax payer dollars allocated to enforcing animal welfare laws, thus I want to submit a welfare check with your agency.

Thank you for everything that you do in the community.

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Please cancel contract, and replace park with non-animal model!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Betsy Burmeister <

Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 2:16 PM

Good afternoon,

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On Sun, Mar 20, 2022 at 4:22 PM Betsy Burmeister <

> wrote:

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To: Priscilla Mezrahi <

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On Sun, Mar 20, 2022 at 5:06 PM Priscilla Mezrahi <

> wrote:

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To: karen elger <

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On Sun, Mar 20, 2022 at 5:25 PM karen elger < > wrote:

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To: Laurie Paladino >

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On Sun, Mar 20, 2022 at 6:28 PM Laurie Paladino < > wrote:

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To: Anthony Shale <a >

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On Sun, Mar 20, 2022 at 6:45 PM Anthony Shale < > wrote:

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To: Cat Intoci <

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On Sun, Mar 20, 2022 at 7:02 PM Cat Intoci <

> wrote:

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To: "philsky888@yahoo.com" >

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On Sun, Mar 20, 2022 at 7:36 PM < > wrote:

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To: Jim Kilby <

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Thank you.

Thank you,
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To: David Tang <

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On Sun, Mar 20, 2022 at 7:49 PM David Tang <

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On Sun, Mar 20, 2022 at 8:13 PM Timothy Hurwitz wrote:

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To: MATT FLORIN <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 7:10 AM MATT FLORIN <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 11:27 AM Jesse Raya > wrote:
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To: Linda Logan >

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 12:21 PM Linda Logan < > wrote:

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 1:20 PM Nyka Lopez < > wrote:

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1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 2:19 PM

To: "vedastram@outlook.com" <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 9:04 AM

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Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 2:10 PM

To: Mars Green <

Good afternoon,

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 2:30 PM Mars Green < > wrote:

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These ponies are suffering !

Please close this exhibit until all the animals are all in satisfactory health and Steven Weeks can provide except-able living quarters for them !

Provisions at this time are not appropriate for ponies !

Thank you.

Sent from my iPad

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To: rebeldiamond 323 <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 2:31 PM rebeldiamond 323 <

> wrote:

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Your vet evaluation is minimizing the suffering of these ponies for her own person interests.

Thank you
Respectfully,
M Green

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Please cancel contract, and replace park with non-animal model!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 2:11 PM

To:

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To: Helen Carlisle <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 3:21 PM Helen Carlisle <

> wrote:

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1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Erin Riley-Carrasco >

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Show compassion for ponies, now!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: "mshopperj@aol.com" <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 3:24 PM

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To: Mike Fujimori <

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To: Chey Vegan <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 3:41 PM Chey Vegan <

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Melanie Ross
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1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 2:15 PM

To: Linda Middlesworth <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 4:51 PM Linda Middlesworth <

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1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: "davelvia@yahoo.com" <

Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 2:15 PM

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 5:00 PM

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Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 2:15 PM

To: Pauline doucet <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 5:36 PM Pauline doucet < > wrote:

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Thanks for your attention,
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To: Stephanie Long <

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Thank you for your consideration!
Stephanie Long

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To: Dave Santucci <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 6:12 PM Dave Santucci <

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To: Maria Amaral <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 6:22 PM Maria Amaral <

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Jeremiah Benjamin

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 7:18 PM Jeremiah Benjamin <
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Re: Please cancel contract, and replace park with non-animal model!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 2:29 PM

To: Annie

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 8:03 PM Annie <

wrote:

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 8:09 PM Laurie <

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 8:48 PM LYGIA ORTA < > wrote:

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 9:14 PM Barbara Inatsugu < > wrote:

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Re: Please please please I beg you please stop the abuse at Griffith Park and ban pony rides

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 7:41 AM Mike Fujimori < > wrote:

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To: leslie davies <

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 8:56 AM leslie davies <

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Please cancel contract, and replace park with non-animal model!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 9:19 AM

To: "davelvia@yahoo.com" <

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Good morning,

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 2:58 PM

> wrote:

Dear Commissioners and Michael Shull,

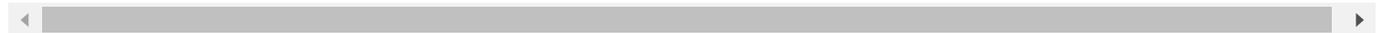
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To: Mark Owen <

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 3:06 PM Mark Owen <

> wrote:

Thank you for your assistance.

On Tue, 22 Mar 2022, 21:40 Rap Commissioners, <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> wrote:

Good afternoon,

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 9:05 AM Mark Owen <

wrote:

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Yours Sincerely, Mr M. Owen ().

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 3:20 PM Brandon Beck <

wrote:

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To: LAWRENCE MACHTINGER <

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 4:14 PM LAWRENCE MACHTINGER < > wrote:

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Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 9:20 AM

To: Malvina Landau <

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 4:25 PM Malvina Landau <

> wrote:

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To: Mark Freeman <

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 4:55 PM Mark Freeman <
Dear Commissioners and Michael Shull,

> wrote:

HEY YOU...Griffith Park and Pony Rides shall pay Rec and Park a revenue-sharing fee of 25 % of their gross income, and as a LA constituent, I do not want city funds generate FROM ANIMAL ABUSE.

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END THIS NOW!!

MACK FREEMAN

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To: Tammy Mathis >

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 5:35 PM Tammy Mathis < > wrote:
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To: Andrew Sabat <

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 7:55 PM Andrew Sabat <

wrote:

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To: lynn freudenberg <

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 8:36 PM lynn freudenberg <

> wrote:

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To: Sandra Bell <

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 8:59 PM Sandra Bell <

> wrote:

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To: alia michelle <

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 9:58 PM alia michelle <

> wrote:

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To: Helen Carlisle <

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On Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 10:45 AM Helen Carlisle

wrote:

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To: "alison.b.levy" <

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On Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 11:40 AM alison.b.levy <

> wrote:

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Alison Levy
PhD Student, Psychology

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On Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 8:08 PM Liz Jacobelly < > wrote:
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On Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 9:11 PM Analisa Swan < > wrote:
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Analisa Swan, Esq.

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To: Debbie Iannuzzi <

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On Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 9:23 PM Debbie Iannuzzi <

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Please cancel contract, and replace park with non-animal model!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 29, 2022 at 10:38 AM

To: Anne Hager <

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On Thu, Mar 24, 2022 at 4:21 PM Anne Hager <

> wrote:

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To: Anita Butler <

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On Thu, Mar 24, 2022 at 7:08 PM Anita Butler <

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To: Zohra Fahim <

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On Mon, Mar 28, 2022 at 10:23 AM Zohra Fahim < > wrote:
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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 29, 2022 at 10:41 AM

To: mark owen <

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On Mon, Mar 28, 2022 at 10:46 AM mark owen <

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As a kind compassionate person I would hope that you please consider enforcing animal welfare laws, thus I want to submit a welfare check with your agency.

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Kindest Regards. Mr M. Owen ().

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Griffith Park Ponies

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 29, 2022 at 10:41 AM

To: Susan Hirsch <

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On Mon, Mar 28, 2022 at 12:49 PM Susan Hirsch <

> wrote:

Dear Sirs/Madams,

We are pleading with you to NOT renew the contract and let these geriatric ponies retire to sanctuaries. They are suffering and if you have a dog or cat and love them, you would not let them suffer like this.

We hope you will let them retire and bring in non-animal rides which will bring in even more revenue. Also, there could be more children hurt like the little girl last year.

Thank and we hope and pray you look inside your hearts and see the truth and end this cruelty.

Sincerely,

Susan and Sam Hirsch

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Re: I would like to submit a welfare check for elderly ponies!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: KURT & ELLEN KRONINGER <

Tue, Mar 29, 2022 at 10:42 AM

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On Mon, Mar 28, 2022 at 1:02 PM KURT & ELLEN KRONINGER < > wrote:

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On Mon, Mar 28, 2022 at 1:26 PM karen elger < > wrote:

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To: Mike Fujimori <

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Re: Save Griffith Park Pony Rides little kids and their parents who vote LOVE THE PONIES!!!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Mar 30, 2022 at 11:09 AM

To: Lisa Baca < >

Good morning,

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On Mon, Mar 28, 2022 at 8:44 AM Lisa Baca < > wrote:

Dear City Commissioners and Council Members

I am writing in SUPPORT of Steve Weeks and the Griffith Park Pony Rides.

Many 4 year olds grow up to become horse lovers, owners and life time trail riders. Los Angeles is home to over 30,000 equestrian owners who love horses, many because of their first experiences at the Griffith Park Pony Rides. I myself am one of these 4 year olds. Additionally, my children and grand children have also enjoyed going to the ride the ponies and are horse owners and riders today.

Please watch this FB post from yesterday March 27th and the horrible behavior from the LA animal advocates who do not own, ride or know how to care daily for horses.

WHO'S FIRST AMMENDMENT RIGHTS are being protected, clearly not the 4 year olds attending the birthday party!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/617567388316619/permalink/7249499735123318/>

The Griffith Park ponies are very well cared for by any standard of care. They will not end up at a kill pen auctioned for meat then shipped to Mexico for rendering or abandoned in an under funded nonprofit sanctuary pasture thanks to Steve Weeks and his dedicated staff.

Please vote to keep the Griffith Park Pony Rides OPEN.

Thank you,

Lisa Baca
Monteverde Ranch
Equestrian Center

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Glen Alla large dog park

1 message

Eric Drachman < >
 To: RAP ProjectInfo <rap.projectinfo@lacity.org>
 Cc: Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 4:12 PM

Thanks so much! We really appreciate finding a way to close the park as little as possible. Also really hoping additional lighting on the north side of the park is in the plans. Otherwise it's dangerous and we lose track of the dogs in the evening when they run over there.

Best,

Eric Drachman

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 16, 2022, at 3:48 PM, RAP ProjectInfo <rap.projectinfo@lacity.org> wrote:

Hi Eric,

The latest update we have is that we are in the process of repairing the sump and piping. We are hoping to get the main area (Center) open in the next two / three weeks. (It depends on what we find in terms of repairs).

We are hoping to then work on replacing the DG with turf at area #1. Perhaps 2-3 weeks additional work is required for this replacement. This could be done with the center area open.

We're looking into getting more info in regards to the future closure of the park, and the timeframe for that, but it appears these plans have not been finalized yet.

Thanks,
 RAP Project Info Staff

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 (213) 202-2682

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On Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 1:53 PM Eric Drachman < > wrote:

Hello again RAP Project Info Staff –

It's been over a month and I have not heard back. I was hoping to get an update on the next steps for this project. It seems to be stalled. However, I spoke with someone else at the park recently who told me that they'd heard that the park will eventually be 90% covered with artificial turf and new lighting will be added. That sounds fantastic. They also said that the park will be totally closed for months, leaving many of us without a convenient place to bring our dogs. They also had no idea when the project would start. Can you send me an official update on the plans? Also, I heard that it will be closed for months, but I'm hoping that you can manage this efficiently and complete it all in three weeks. Honestly, we've been waiting so long for it to be done, it would be such a shame if it were closed so we could not enjoy our park for a big chunk of the summer. Or if it is going to be a very long time, perhaps you could work it out so that half of the park was closed and then work on the other side?

I will look forward to hearing from you and hoping hoping that you can find a way to make this really welcome improvement less of an inconvenience for everyone who depends on it. That includes, of course, those who use the park who are disabled and therefore cannot go to another dog park that does not have an artificial turf surface.

Thanks!

Eric

On Feb 10, 2022, at 10:04 PM, Eric Drachman < > wrote:

Thanks so much for your reply and your help with this. We'll look forward to the next steps! :)



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Questions about the Alla Road Dog Park.

1 message

Margaret Molloy < > Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 4:36 PM
To: Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
Cc: Tristen Marler <tristen.marler@lacity.org>, Mike Bonin <mike.bonin@lacity.org>, Jason Douglas <jason.douglas@lacity.org>

Please Share with Commissioners

Hello RAP Commissioners,

First, I would like to say how much I have enjoyed the dog park at Alla Road, in spite of problems such as plumbing. The dog owners are responsible and dogs of all sizes thoroughly enjoy the off-leash freedom provided at a legitimate dog park!

But I want to let you know that reconstruction of the entire Alla Road dog park started on Monday morning, March 14th, with zero advance notice to the community. Dog owners arrived as usual to the unexpected scene. And, there is no signage indicating the expected duration of this construction. Just zero communication by RAP.

Please provide information on the (1) original contractor, (2) existing problems, (3) clearly plumbing has been screwed up from the beginning but please include all issues, (4) who is responsible financially for each of these issues, 5) the expected timeline for reconstruction, and (6) RAP's plans to inform the public and all dog owners who visit Alla Road Dog Park about that timeline.

As you can see below, our Council Office was told by RAP that the public would be given plenty of notice before construction started. There was none.

Appreciatively,

Margaret Molloy

On Jan 31, 2022, at 4:21 PM, Tristen Marler <tristen.marler@lacity.org> wrote:

Latest status update:

"Hello Tristen, I spoke with our construction teams and they are going to need to do some major repairs at Glen Alla. They are reviewing the project now and will let me know once they can start. Once the project begins it will need to be closed for 4-6 weeks in order for the repairs to be completed. We will post signs up and make sure the community is informed. "

Best,
Tristen

On Tue, Jan 25, 2022 at 5:44 PM Tristen Marler <tristen.marler@lacity.org> wrote:
Hi Margaret,

Rec and Parks manages the park. I will forward your concerns to the West Region Superintendent and Shany will connect back with you shortly.

Thank you for your engagement and email.

Best,
Tristen

On Tue, Jan 25, 2022 at 4:42 PM Margaret Molloy < > wrote:

Hello Shany,

Tristan Marler let me know the you are the Del Rey rep for CD11. I have questions about the Alla Road Dog Park.

I've been going there for about two weeks. First, it is a great resource and heavily used. The owners and dogs all seem to get along. There are large and small breeds of every shape and physical ability together in chaotic but miraculous harmony!

But, evidently half the park was barricaded off-limits for the last 8 months and and there was a horrible mess with stagnant pooling water in the center of the area that was still available.

The day after I contacted Tristan, the stagnant pooling water (source) had been turned off along with the dog's water fountain close by. It took care of one problem but created another because the dogs play hard and get very thirsty. On that day, the entrance at the center of the park, the only one that had been usable, had yellow tape and a second chainlink section of chainlink fencing blocking it. For the first time since I went there, the Glencoe Avenue gate was open. I am not sure that the city or dog owners opened that entrance but it has remained open since January 13. That area has dirt and trees, and is not well lit. Now dogs and their owners have to go close to the exit in that area to get water, while most owners prefer for their dogs to play in the cleaner area with astroturf. Can you please let me know what is going on?

What agency is responsible for Alla Road Dog Park? How can we get the full area of the park to be functional and open to the public? Can the plumbing get fixed? Is there a plan to extend the astroturf over the entire park? Who do we contact to get answers, and action?

I would appreciate your help.

Appreciatively,

Margaret Molloy

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Margaret Molloy < >
Subject: Question re Alla Road Dog Park
Date: January 12, 2022 at 4:39:00 PM PST
To: Tristen Marler <tristen.marler@lacity.org>
Cc: Mike Bonin <mike.bonin@lacity.org>

Hi Tristan,

Happy New Year.

I've just started taking my pup to Alla Road Dog Park. It's a very popular and obviously needed facility, but...half the park is barricaded off-limits and there is a horrible mess in the center of the area that is still

available. People are constantly having to get their dogs out of that area with stagnant pooling water.

From what I have been told, the entire park was available for about a year and it has been more than six months since the main area with trees and an entrance close to Glencoe/ Alla was fenced off, and this stagnant water issue in the middle of the remaining dog park has been there. This is unreasonable. Can you please let me know (1) what the actual problem is that is causing all of this, and (2) what progress has been made to resolve this? (3) And what agencies we should be reaching out to for a solution besides CD 11?

I, and many others, would appreciate this information as soon as possible.

Appreciatively,

Margaret Molloy

From: Tristen Marler <tristen.marler@lacity.org>
Subject: Re: Question re Alla Road Dog Park
Date: January 13, 2022 at 12:26:30 PM PST
To: Margaret Molloy < >, Shany Ebadi <shany.ebadi@lacity.org>
Cc: Mike Bonin <mike.bonin@lacity.org>

Just emailed the superintendent and will report back.

Please send Del Rey requests directly to [+Shany Ebadi](#) in the future.

Hope you are well, and we will continue to work on the offleash dog issue.

Best,
Tristen

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Fw: Inquiry regarding the Wings of Mexico artwork

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Elizabeth Lovins >

Wed, Mar 30, 2022 at 1:05 PM

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Tue, Mar 29, 2022 at 10:40 AM Elizabeth Lovins < > wrote:
Dear Commissioners,

Please see my email below to Eric Villanueva.

Thank you.

Elizabeth

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: Elizabeth Lovins < >
To: erik.villanueva@lacity.org <erik.villanueva@lacity.org>
Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022, 02:24:04 PM PDT
Subject: Inquiry regarding the Wings of Mexico artwork

Hi Eric,

Nice to make your acquaintance. I understand you are working on the proposed *Wings of Mexico* project?

I'm quite curious about this proposed artwork and I'd like to know more. It's wonderful the city is proposing celebrating our Latino cultural heritage. However, I do have some questions about this work, the proposed site, as well as the type of community engagement that has been done already.

First, in terms of signage, I understand from Lambert, from the Office of Historic Resources, that the commission is no longer including the signage on the wall? Can you kindly confirm this please? And what will the commission do instead? A QR code or a small plaque on the work, like the other *Wings of Mexico* installations in other cities like Dubai?

Second, I'm wondering if this is a traveling, temporary exhibit? I think this would be great to see this at the civic center, union station, the zoo, autry, LACMA or Natural History Museum, or places like the Crypto Arena, DTLA etc., I'm sure the public, would love various community, event oriented activations, for selfie picture taking.

For placement, if your commission is proposing this replicated work to be permanently placed on the observatory grounds with other original artworks, in front of the Hollywood Sign viewing deck, I do believe, as an arts professional, this is problematic placement, for various cultural, socio-political issues. But please let me know the reasoning behind this and if the Dept of Cultural Affairs Public Art Dept, was consulted or not. Or if there was a public art consultant involved or not.

Also, I'm concerned that this has not had any community engagement throughout the city. For example, it looks like it was presented by A.P. Diaz to the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council recently. But since the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council, only appear to do very little outreach to the actual community, this would not be sufficient to warrant true community engagement, amongst the immediate Los Feliz Community.

Another issue, is that I think it's a bit disrespectful to place any artwork, so close to the public restroom. That's why I'm suggesting that it might be nice as a traveling, temporary exhibit or more appropriately placed at the Autry Museum

even, if Griffith Park is the goal.

I also have a quite a few colleagues, with the same concerns. In discussions, what I and other professional curators, artists and members of the community, would hope for, is more for an original work of public art, that is site-specific, speaks to our multi-cultural heritage, the historic site of the Griffith Park Observatory, the WPA Era original works of public art, like the James Dean statue or the Astronomer's Monument.

It would also be nice if the commission, publicly acknowledged and credited the all the artists who created these already placed public art works throughout Griffith Park, and acknowledge these artists on the city website.

Thank you very much and I'd love the opportunity to discuss this all further.

Kind regards,

Elizabeth

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Elizabeth Lovins

Director, Hollywood Art Center, est. 1912

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Re: Westminster Park is spinning out of control

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 1:38 PM

To: John Betz >

Cc: jose.m.ramirez@lacity.org, ashley.acero@lacity.org, sofia.peralta@lacity.org, lakesha.williams@lacity.org, ana.gomez@lacity.org, Eric Garcetti <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>, MICHEL MOORE <michel.moore@lapd.lacity.org>, "Deihl, Penny M." < >, Ryan Nichols < >, HEIDI ROBERTS < >, Mike Feuer <mike.n.feuer@lacity.org>, Joe Buscaino < >, Westminster Senior Center <Westminster.SeniorCenter@lacity.org>, Traci Park < >, Avillan@lasd.org, grdeedri@lasd.org, Jamie Paige < >, Angela McGregor < >

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Sun, Mar 13, 2022 at 2:33 PM John Betz <

> wrote:

Mr. Ramirez,

So today, **Sunday March 13th**, there are 14 vehicles parked in the Westminster Senior Center parking lot with people living in them (2 more than last week). As we residents warned you, the number keeps growing and the problems keep worsening. There are tents on the perimeter of the park and in the park itself. Trash and personal possessions are strewn all over the sidewalk and a big commotion/altercation broke out a few hours ago between the vehicle dwellers. See video below. I particularly like the part where someone says, "sirens are coming!" and then the lady says "Oh F\$\$k" and starts to run away.

The park has 19 parking spaces. Between vehicle dwellers and Urban Alchemy/CIRCLE Program vehicles, 16 are permanently occupied around the clock, leaving 3 for park visitors (dog park and park proper). The park and parking lot are supposed to be closed from sunset to sunrise and alcoholic beverages (I would assume this should also include pot, meth and other injectables) are illegal in the park. But all of this is going on, every day, openly and notoriously.

The City of Los Angeles cased this problem.

I don't need to remind you, this is a City-caused problem. This problem has arisen since the City contracted with and sited Urban Alchemy and the mayor's CIRCLE program in the senior center building in the park. As you now, there are young children living a couple hundred feet from where this morning's altercation took place (not to mention open drug use). Their houses face the park. If some of these kids look out their windows, or go onto their porches, or play in their yards, this is what they see. This is a disgrace of epic proportions. All in City government should be ashamed. This is the exact detrimental result you caused in the neighborhood around the ineffective and underutilized Venice Bridge Home Shelter and now you are repeating that mistake, knowingly doing the same thing. Once again, you are doing a tremendous injury to another neighborhood only a few blocks away! How many more neighborhoods will you destroy with these failed programs? This situation begs the question, how many people have you gotten off the streets as a direct result of destroying our park? One? Two? Is anyone weighing the benefit of your program against the cost to our neighborhood?

The people living in our park are not down and out folk made homeless by bad economic circumstances beyond their control. They are not from Los Angeles. Many are not from California. They are meth-addicted left overs from the Occupy Movement who have voluntarily and intentionally migrated to Venice to occupy our public spaces and take advantage of easy access to drugs and non-existent enforcement. Anarchists enjoying a free-for-all. Both easy drug access and law enforcement are under the City's control. Both are areas of complete failure. All you can do is talk about building more expensive housing and continuously point to a lack of housing as the reason for the City's failures. But, we all know this is a drug and mental illness problem. Your Venice Bridge Home Shelter is only half full for goodness sakes! So why are people living in their cars in our park when there are empty beds literally two blocks away in the shelter?

Urban Alchemy /CIRCLE Team response is non-existent/ineffective

This morning I walked over to the park and knocked on the door of the CIRCLE office in the Senior Center building. I spoke with a fellow from Urban Alchemy. I asked him what they were doing about the situation in the park. He told me they had tried to deal with it, but there is nothing more they can do. I told him that I believe this problem was the result

of the UA/CIRCLE presence in the park and that all the vehicle dwellers came after UA/CIRCLE began operating out of the senior center. He said that he knew that. He expressed sympathy and said that he wished there was more that they could do. I told him that was not good enough. They must do something. He did not disagree with anything I said and he seemed sort of defeated. I gave him my business card and asked his supervisor to call me to discuss ways that we can take care of this growing problem.

LAPD response is non-existent

Today I called our Senior Lead Officer at (310) 482 6407. After running through a series of recorded messages, I was directed to leave a message. I did. Nothing heard.

Then I called the Area Captain at (310) 482 6310. It rang and rang for about 1 minute and an half then disconnected.

Then I called Pacific Division dispatch at (310) 482 6334. After running through a series of recorded messages, I was directed to "Press 2" or call (818) 734 2223 to report a non-emergency. I pressed 2. It rang for about a minute and a half, then I got a recorded message saying "my call could not be completed. Please call back later. Good-bye." I note, I have called this number 5 or 6 times and always have the same result.

Then I called 911. The operator told me that here is very little they can do, but they would dispatch someone to the park. I also note, that whenever they tell me there is nothing they can do about this, they tell me they have a June 2020 directive from the Mayor's office that instructs them not to disturb anyone living in their vehicles. This directive was, to their understanding, based upon COVID related safety concerns.

If there is nothing the police can do and if there is nothing that UA/CIRCLE can do, then I can only conclude that it is the City's failed policy that continues to allow this free-for-all in our park.

Questions

On March 2nd, in response to my previous email, you told me that you would reach out to LAPD, Park Rangers and CD11 to have a conversation about the situation in the park. What is the result of those conversations? What actions will be taken?

When will the Mayor cancel his 2020 directive that instructed LAPD to stop all enforcement regarding illegal vehicle dwelling? There are shelter beds available. There is housing available. There are safe parking options available. We just canceled the mask mandate. Seems the COVID safety rationale is no longer valid (if it ever was in this context). I note - these people moved here during the past six months. What is so unsafe about requiring them to move again - to a location that does not so negatively impact a residential neighborhood next to an elementary school.?

Even if the City will continue to allow folk to live in their vehicles, why is that being allowed in our parks, in areas where it is illegal to park overnight, illegal to use drugs, illegal to disturb the peace of a residential neighborhood?

CIRCLE/UA have been operating out of our park since September 2021 - 6 months. How many people have been housed as a result?

Moving forward

With all the nonsense and illegal activity and altercations going on in the park, why are the Urban Alchemy people hiding inside their offices and refusing to deal with these problems. As you know, my wife and I visited the Urban Alchemy operation in San Francisco last month and found it to be very different from the Los Angeles approach. In SF, UA is keeping the sidewalk and general area around the Tenderloin safe camping site completely clear of encampments and illegal drug use. Why is a different approach being employed in Los Angeles. We know UA is capable of doing the right thing and I sense that they are somewhat demoralized for being perceived as part of the problem. I can only conclude that in LA they are operating under a different directive. Again - I blame the City.

Mr. Ramirez - please employ whatever resources necessary to get this problem under control and return the park to a civil state. Few, if any in our community is opposed to shelters or services similar to those offered by CIRCLE. The problem is every time the City attempts anything, it does so in an irresponsible manner. It breaks all promises to the community and it makes no effort to protect the community from the unintended consequences of its ill-conceived programs. I hear people say time and time again, "I would have nothing against these programs if only the City would do the right thing and manage their programs responsibly." But it never does. Please do not continue to repeat the failures of the Venice Bridge Home Shelter. Please do whatever needs to be done to make this right. All in our community are watching this.

John Betz

PS - LAPD did arrive in the park and did inspect the situation shown below and told me there was NOTHING they could do because the Mayor and the City government have instructed them to do nothing about people living illegally in their vehicles. The officer told me that directive applies to people living in the parks as well. Again, this is a city caused problem. This is wholly unacceptable. How bad must it get before you WILL do something? Open drug market? Prostitution? Rape? Murder? Where is the line, Mr. Ramirez? How much destruction to so many by so few will you allow before taking action?

On Mar 3, 2022, at 3:15 PM, John Betz < > wrote:

Mr. Ramirez (Che - first off let me apologize for getting your name wrong on the last email. I wasn't wearing my glasses),

Thank you for reconsidering the City's plan to locate a decompression center in the Westminster Senior Center. As I understand from your email, that plan will not be implemented at that location. Thank you.

Speaking for myself, my first order of business is to get the park back under control. I understand from your email that you are taking steps to assist us with that. Again - thank you.

Status of the park:

Today there are 12 vehicles in the Westminster Senior Center parking lot with people living in them (2 more than two days ago). That is 12 of 19 parking spaces occupied round the clock along with all the attendant problems that always come with permanent vehicle dwellers. The sidewalk behind the park is somewhat cleaner than two days ago. Notice the Georgia license plate.

There is one tent against the north side of the building. It has been there since Urban Alchemy first moved in last year.

The sidewalk on Main Street adjacent to the park had about 6 tents blocking the right of way (2) days ago. Today that sidewalk is clear and cleaned up. Someone must have made them move. Thank you.

Unfortunately one of the tents just moved into the next block and is still right across the street from the elementary school. Three others moved to the other side of the park and are now along the sidewalk on Pacific Avenue.

So, in my opinion we are about the same as we were yesterday. I will continue to monitor and send you updates.

If we can get this park back in order, I believe there are many residents in the neighborhood who will be willing to work with the City to implement common sense solutions to the problem that we all want to solve.

We had told Bonin this for years, but he refused to listen. I guess we did not fit into his top-down approach of ruling instead of representing. We are not saying "Not in my backyard." We are merely saying "lets not do something ill-advised in our backyard, that causes more harm than good." We all know that fixing this will take some effort and possibly some pain from us all. That is not lost on any of us.

Until tomorrow.

John Betz

Ryan/John/Heidi,

I hope all is well. I wanted to circle back and follow up per our conversation last week on CIRCLE and the Westminster site location. We greatly appreciate your input and want to be collaborative in our approach to launching this pilot. We have not been able to identify other options for a decompression center in that area and so moving forward we will NOT be adding that component to the CIRCLE headquarters at the Westminster site. We will explore other options in the future that can be more suitable to the community. For now it will only continue as an administrative headquarters to deploy calls from 911. No direct services will be offered at the location.

I look forward to keeping in touch with you all and sharing in future conversations around CIRCLE. I'm also available as a resource as well for any other concerns or conversations you'd like to have.

I did see your recent emails about the park and concerns of encampments. I have reached out to LAPD, Park Rangers and CD11 to have a conversation about the situation. I'm hoping to check in with them today. Open to jumping on a call tomorrow late afternoon if it's helpful.

Thank you.

Jose "Che" Ramirez

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On Mar 2, 2022, at 11:50 AM, John Betz > wrote:

Mr, Martinez, [et.al](#),

The situation that is developing in Westminster Park in Venice is rapidly spinning out of control. When we met last week there were 5 or 6 vehicles parked in the Westminster parking lot. Now there are 10 or 11. And the mood is changing. When we met, the people living in their cars in the park were keeping a low profile. Now, it is turning into a major scofflaw party. More tents going up, more liv-aboard vehicles, personal property and trash strewn on the sidewalk, awnings, barbecues, furniture, stolen bikes, drinking and drug use. All open and notoriously conducted right under the noses of the Urban Alchemy folk who are occupying the senior center building. Apparently there was a fight that broke out late last night in the parking lot. This is rapidly becoming a full-blown City sponsored disaster, just like the Venice Bridge Home Shelter, just like we warned you that it would. And all just one block from an elementary school. Those of us who have watched these "trainwreck" events occur in our park in the past know that it takes very little time to lose control of the park, then months of hard work to correct the problem. This is headed towards becoming another black eye for the mayor - another community severely damaged in the wake of yet another ill-conceived City plan.

I talked with Urban Alchemy folk about the problem and they told me to call the police. I called the LAPD and they told me that it is the mayor's office that has directed them to stand down and that is why they refuse to respond to my calls. They cited COVID protocols put in place by the mayor. I remind you, that reasoning does not resonate well with the community. We are all back at work. The mask mandate is soon to expire. Life is returning to normal, but our politicians and police tell us that COVID prevents them from forcing someone to move out of the park (despite the fact that they only recently moved into the park!) Telling us that only sounds like more lies. Such excuse making does not pass the red-faced test - it sounds ridiculous. No one in our community believes it.

Right now, City-implemented policies are importing a significant safety problem into our neighborhood, park, right next to an elementary school. City-implemented policies are threatening the safety of our children. I do not need to remind you that these concerns are real. Less than a year ago a house across the street from the park was intentionally set on fire. It was a total loss. A dog perished in the blaze despite neighbors' attempts to save it.

Pease do not sacrifice one community while implementing unproven methodologies to help another. It is not an acceptable solution to address one problem by creating another even bigger problem. The City has already severely damaged the community around the Venice Bridge Home Shelter and achieved only marginal results (shelter never fully utilized, tents still on street, etc.). Please do not repeat that mistake in the Westminster Park neighborhood. Please do not import a problem into our community.

Please do the right thing. Either Urban Alchemy must be charged with keeping the park and surrounding neighborhood cleared, or the program at the Westminster Senior Center must be terminated.

John Betz

On Mar 1, 2022, at 2:16 PM, John Betz > wrote:

Ryan,

Have you noticed the recent uptick in the growing encampment in the Westminster Senior Center Parking lot? Since Urban Alchemy moved into the senior center along with the mayor's CIRCLE program, the condition of the park has been declining rapidly. Today there are 10 "live-aboard" vehicles permanently parked in the parking lot, night and day. There are at least 8 or

9 tents permanently pitched in the park or along the perimeter sidewalk. This is growing every day as more and more people are moving into the parking lot and park. I am certain that this is due to Urban Alchemy and the CIRCLE program being located in the Senior Center building. The situation today is way worse than yesterday. They are setting up awnings, barbecues with gas tanks, hanging their laundry, and the sidewalk is littered with personal possessions and trash. Our beloved park is rapidly spinning out of control. As we knew it would anytime the City decides to offer services at the Senior Center.

I have been calling LAPD for the past several days and reporting the growing problem. They have done nothing. Today I spoke to a 911 supervisor and she told me the following: LAPD has no criteria for dispatching officers to calls that report people living in their vehicles. This means they will not dispatch officers. The 911 dispatcher told me this is due to a directive they received from the Mayor's office. That directive, originally dated June 2020, revised Dec 2, 2020, according to her, instructed LAPD to stand down and allow people to continue dwelling in their vehicles. People experiencing homelessness are exempt from any form of enforcement. No towing, no removal, no nothing. So it is the Mayor's office that is allowing this to happen.

Right now the park is spinning out of control - worse every day. We need to do something and we need to do it quickly. Urban Alchemy/CIRCLE and the Police are just referring me to each other and neither organization will do anything. It is the old "empty chair syndrome." Just blame the person who is not in the room. As we knew and have been telling everyone, allowing support services in the Westminster Senior Center will attract encampments to the Park - it is already happening at an alarming rate - and will destroy the safety of our neighborhood. And it is happening even without the decompression center/shelter. The mere presence of Urban Alchemy and CIRCLE is apparently sufficient to destroy our park. So the conversation is no longer about whether decompression is OK in the park. It is obvious that the relevant conversation is whether UA/CIRCLE is OK in the park. Me thinks not. The parking lot is already untenable. And the park will follow.

We need to get together and figure out next steps. Organize? Raise money again? Or, maybe we need to call the Sheriff?

John Betz









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Re: Westminster Park is spinning out of control

1 message

John Betz

To: Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online>

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Assistant Chief Girmala,

I just heard back from Captain Steven Embrich. He basically told me that there is absolutely nothing that LAPD can do about the situation in the Westminster Park. He said that I need to call policy change will allow LAPD to take action. He blamed the mayor and the City Council for the problem, saying that the directives he has received from the mayor and the City Council prohibit that he can write all the citations in the world for illegal parking, but that does no good because the people living in their cars know they are untouchable. I asked him why he could not force them without the ability to tow, there is no way to make them move. Frankly he seemed more concerned about the fact that I had complained about not being able to reach anyone at LAPD on the whether anyone at LAPD answers our phone calls or not. Either way, nothing happens.

So what to do now? We are already in dialogue with the mayor's office. But, that doesn't seem to be getting us anywhere with regards to addressing the current situation they have caused if listened to the concerns of this neighborhood, so that is always a dead end. This pattern of constant finger pointing and empty chair blaming by city officials, police and agencies gets us now

So moving forward, what to do? I will continue calling 911. I will continue reporting these problems. I will continue to complain to the politicians and the media. And my frustration and anger is unconscionable. Never has a community had to work so hard just to maintain some semblance of normalcy. The current situation is disgraceful. I blame LAPD. I blame LA City politicians

John Betz

On Mar 13, 2022, at 5:10 PM, Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online> wrote:

I will ensure follow up is made, Mr. Betz. Thank you for bringing this to my attention. B

Beatrice M. Girmala, Assistant Chief
Director, Office of Operations

From: John Betz

Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2022 4:53:38 PM

To: Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online>

Cc: Michel Moore <23506@lapd.online>; Jeff Gorrell <jeff.gorrell@lacity.org>; Richard Tefank <n3025@lapd.online>; Harry Eddo <n4680@lapd.online>; Stacy Spell <30971@lapd.online>; <27634@lapd.online>

Subject: Re: Westminster Park is spinning out of control

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Officer Girmala,

Thank you. Something needs to be done. This community is very tolerant and reasonable when it comes to finding meaningful solutions. We are willing to work with LAPD, Urban Alca that create more benefit than detriment. But we are not willing to allow this insanity to continue.

John Betz

<https://www.cnn.com/2018/05/01/the-colleges-where-students-go-on-to-earn-the-most-money.html>

On Mar 13, 2022, at 4:47 PM, Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online> wrote:

Mr. Betz- I have contacted Deputy Chief Chow and Commander Mastick of West Bureau to follow up on these issues. B

Beatrice M. Girmala, Assistant Chief
Director, Office of Operations

From: John Betz

Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2022 4:20:16 PM

To: Michel Moore <23506@lapd.online>; jeff.gorrell@lacity.org <jeff.gorrell@lacity.org>; Richard Tefank <n3025@lapd.online>; Harry Eddo <n4680@lapd.online>; Randolph <27634@lapd.online>; Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online>

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Dear LAPD:



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Westminster Park is spinning out of control

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 1:43 PM

To: Shakti Naidoo <...>
Cc: John Betz <...>, jose.m.ramirez@lacity.org, ashley.acero@lacity.org, sofia.peralta@lacity.org, lakesha.williams@lacity.org, ana.gomez@lacity.org, Eric Garcetti <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>, MICHEL MOORE <michel.moore@lapd.lacity.org>, "Deihl, Penny M." <...>, Ryan Nichols <...>, HEIDI ROBERTS <...>, Mike Feuer <mike.n.feuer@lacity.org>, Joe Buscaino <...>, Westminster Senior Center <Westminster.SeniorCenter@lacity.org>, Traci Park avillan@lasd.org, grdeedri@lasd.org, Jamie Paige <jamie@venicecurrent.com>, Angela McGregor <...>

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Sun, Mar 13, 2022 at 9:33 PM Shakti Naidoo <...> wrote:

Thank you so much John for this detailed account of what life is like daily for our kids. What we have learnt from the city council and Mayor is that the children of Venice do not matter and especially the BROWN children of Venice like my daughter and others like her who go to Westminster Elementary School across from the park. We all know that this would never happen to the children of Beverly Hills. The policies of the Mayors office and city council are bent on making Venice a ghetto. The homeless encampments and gangs have all been allowed to flourish based on outdated policies. The governor of California and the Mayor himself have echoed the president's message that we are now in an endemic stage of Covid. Yet the mayors policies regarding the inability to move encampments are still tied to Covid pandemic measures! It's interesting how to suit whatever agenda you have you will choose either an Endemic policy or Pandemic policy? As a physician I know this is quite a ludicrous agenda. It's time for the media to get involved to highlight these serious failures of city council. It's perfect that these failed policies are coming to fruition during an election period. The residents of Venice have had enough, the parents of Venice have had enough and most especially our children have had enough.

I'm a pediatrician and expert on the negative psychological impacts of the daily traumas our children witness on their way to school. Watching someone in a full blown psychotic episode is traumatic for adults can you imagine what it does to young preschoolers? These are called adverse childhood events and have been studied extensively and have show to have rather devastating long term consequences on children.

Stop playing politics and start protecting our children.

Shakti Soni MD FAAP
Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 13, 2022, at 5:33 PM, John Betz <...> wrote:

Mr. Ramirez,

So today, Sunday March 13th, there are 14 vehicles parked in the Westminster Senior Center parking lot with people living in them (2 more than last week). As we residents warned you, the number keeps growing and the problems keep worsening. There are tents on the perimeter of the park and in the park itself. Trash and personal possessions are strewn all over the sidewalk and a big commotion/altercation broke out a few hours ago between the vehicle dwellers. See video below. I particularly like the part where someone says, "sirens are coming!" and then the lady says "Oh F\$\$k" and starts to run away.

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Westminster Park is spinning out of control

1 message

John Betz

To: Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online>, MICHEL MOORE <michel.moore@lapd.lacity.org>, Sandra Figueroa-Villa <N4964@lapd.lacity.org>, Kathleen Kim <N4965@lapd.lacity.org>, Steve "Capt. Robert Long" <27410@lapd.online>, "Sgt. Michael Fox" <34582@lapd.online>, "40122@lapd.online" <40122@lapd.online>, "38228@lapd.online" <38228@lapd.online>, Brian Morrison Steven Embrich <30993@lapd.online>, Adrian Acosta <37285@lapd.online>, Public Safety <publicsafety@venicenc.org>, Brian Cook <36258@lapd.online>, Richard Tefank <n3025@lapd.onl <jamie@venicencurrent.com>, Angela McGregor <anqsmcq1961@gmail.com>, Mike Bonin <mike.bonin@lacity.org>, Mike Feuer <mike.n.feuer@lacity.org>, Rap Commissioners <RAP.COMM <Westminster.SeniorCenter@lacity.org>

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WESTMINSTER PARK UPDATE 03/15/22

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John Betz

On Mar 14, 2022, at 7:00 PM, John Betz < > wrote:

Assistant Chief Girmala,

I just heard back from Captain Steven Embrich. He basically told me that there is absolutely nothing that LAPD can do about the situation in the Westminster Park. He said that I need policy change will allow LAPD to take action. He blamed the mayor and the City Council for the problem, saying that the directives he has received from the mayor and the City Council that he can write all the citations in the world for illegal parking, but that does no good because the people living in their cars know they are untouchable. I asked him why he could not f without the ability to tow, there is no way to make them move. Frankly he seemed more concerned about the fact that I had complained about not being able to reach anyone at LAPD whether anyone at LAPD answers our phone calls or not. Either way, nothing happens.

So what to do now? We are already in dialogue with the mayor's office. But, that doesn't seem to be getting us anywhere with regards to addressing the current situation they have ca listened to the concerns of this neighborhood, so that is always a dead end. This pattern of constant finger pointing and empty chair blaming by city officials, police and agencies gets i

So moving forward, what to do? I will continue calling 911. I will continue reporting these problems. I will continue to complain to the politicians and the media. And my frustration and is unconscionable. Never has a community had to work so hard just to maintain some semblance of normalcy. The current situation is disgraceful. I blame LAPD. I blame LA City pol

John Betz

On Mar 13, 2022, at 5:10 PM, Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online> wrote:

I will ensure follow up is made, Mr. Betz. Thank you for bringing this to my attention. B

Beatrice M. Girmala, Assistant Chief
Director, Office of Operations

From: John Betz < >
Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2022 4:53:38 PM
To: Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online>
Cc: Michel Moore <23506@lapd.online>; Jeff Gorrell <jeff.gorrell@lacity.org>; Richard Tefank <n3025@lapd.online>; Harry Eddo <n4680@lapd.online>; Stacy Spell < <27634@lapd.online>
Subject: Re: Westminster Park is spinning out of control

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Officer Girmala,

Thank you. Something needs to be done. This community is very tolerant and reasonable when it comes to finding meaningful solutions. We are willing to work with LAPD, Ur that create more benefit than detriment. But we are not willing to allow this insanity to continue.

John Betz

<https://www.cnbc.com/2018/05/01/the-colleges-where-students-go-on-to-earn-the-most-money.html>

On Mar 13, 2022, at 4:47 PM, Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online> wrote:

Mr. Betz- I have contacted Deputy Chief Chow and Commander Mastick of West Bureau to follow up on these issues. B

Beatrice M. Girmala, Assistant Chief
Director, Office of Operations

From: John Betz < >
Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2022 4:20:16 PM
To: Michel Moore <23506@lapd.online>; jeff.gorrell@lacity.org <jeff.gorrell@lacity.org>; Richard Tefank <n3025@lapd.online>; Harry Eddo <n4680@lapd.org> Randolph <27634@lapd.online>; Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online>
Subject: Fwd: Westminster Park is spinning out of control

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Dear LAPD;

See below.

Begin forwarded message:

From: John Betz < >
Subject: Re: Westminster Park is spinning out of control
Date: March 13, 2022 at 2:32:40 PM PDT
To: jose.m.ramirez@lacity.org, ashley.acer@lacity.org, sofia.peralta@lacity.org, lakesha.williams@lacity.org, ana.gomez@lacity.org, Eric Garcetti <mayor.garcetti@michel.moore@lapd.lacity.org>
Cc: "Deihl, Penny M." <

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The City of Los Angeles cased this problem.

I don't need to remind you, this is a City-caused problem. This problem has arisen since the City contracted with and sited Urban Alchemy and the mayor's CIRCLE park. As you now, there are young children living a couple hundred feet from where this morning's altercation took place (not to mention open drug use). Their ho out their windows, or go onto their porches, or play in their yards, this is what they see. This is a disgrace of epic proportions. All in City government should be as you caused in the neighborhood around the ineffective and underutilized Venice Bridge Home Shelter and now you are repeating that mistake, knowingly doing the tremendous injury to another neighborhood only a few blocks away! How many more neighborhoods will you destroy with these failed programs? This situation b gotten off the streets as a direct result of destroying our park? One? Two? Is anyone weighing the benefit of your program against the cost to our neighborhood?

The people living in our park are not down and out folk made homeless by bad economic circumstances beyond their control. They are not from Los Angeles. Ma addicted left overs from the Occupy Movement who have voluntarily and intentionally migrated to Venice to occupy our public spaces and take advantage of easy enforcement. Anarchists enjoying a free-for-all. Both easy drug access and law enforcement are under the City's control. Both are areas of complete failure. All expensive housing and continuously point to a lack of housing as the reason for the City's failures. But, we all know this is a drug and mental illness problem. You for goodness sakes! So why are people living in their cars in our park when there are empty beds literally two blocks away in the shelter?

Urban Alchemy /CIRCLE Team response is non-existent/ineffective

This morning I walked over to the park and knocked on the door of the CIRCLE office in the Senior Center building. I spoke with a fellow from Urban Alchemy. I a situation in the park. He told me they had tried to deal with it, but there is nothing more they can do. I told him that I believe this problem was the result of the UA/ vehicle dwellers came after UA/CIRCLE began operating out of the senior center. He said that he knew that. He expressed sympathy and said that he wished the was not good enough. They must do something. He did not disagree with anything I said and he seemed sort of defeated. I gave him my business card and aske that we can take care of this growing problem.

LAPD response is non-existent

Today I called our Senior Lead Officer at (310) 482 6407. After running through a series of recorded messages, I was directed to leave a message. I did. Nothing

Then I called the Area Captain at (310) 482 6310. It rang and rang for about 1 minute and an half then disconnected.

Then I called Pacific Division dispatch at (310) 482 6334. After running through a series of recorded messages, I was directed to "Press 2" or call (818) 734 2223 I rang for about a minute and a half, then I got a recorded message saying "my call could not be completed. Please call back later. Good-bye." I note, I have called the same result.

Then I called 911. The operator told me that here is very little they can do, but they would dispatch someone to the park. I also note, that whenever they tell me th me they have a June 2020 directive from the Mayor's office that instructs them not to disturb anyone living in their vehicles. This directive was, to their understand concerns.

If there is nothing the police can do and if there is nothing that UA/CIRCLE can do, then I can only conclude that it is the City's failed policy that continues to allow

Questions

On March 2nd, in response to my previous email, you told me that you would reach out to LAPD, Park Rangers and CD11 to have a conversation about the situati conversations? What actions will be taken?

When will the Mayor cancel his 2020 directive that instructed LAPD to stop all enforcement regarding illegal vehicle dwelling? There are shelter beds available. T parking options available. We just canceled the mask mandate. Seems the COVID safety rationale is no longer valid (if it ever was in this context). I note - these months. What is so unsafe about requiring them to move again - to a location that does not so negatively impact a residential neighborhood next to an elementary

Even if the City will continue to allow folk to live in their vehicles, why is that being allowed in our parks, in areas where it is illegal to park overnight, illegal to use d residential neighborhood?

CIRCLE/UA have been operating out of our park since September 2021 - 6 months. How many people have been housed as a result?

Moving forward

With all the nonsense and illegal activity and altercations going on in the park, why are the Urban Alchemy people hiding inside their offices and refusing to deal with it? I visited the Urban Alchemy operation in San Francisco last month and found it to be very different from the Los Angeles approach. In SF, UA is keeping the sidewalk safe camping site completely clear of encampments and illegal drug use. Why is a different approach being employed in Los Angeles? We know UA is capable of somewhat demoralized for being perceived as part of the problem. I can only conclude that in LA they are operating under a different directive. Again - I blame them.

Mr. Ramirez - please employ whatever resources necessary to get this problem under control and return the park to a civil state. Few, if any in our community is offered by CIRCLE. The problem is every time the City attempts anything, it does so in an irresponsible manner. It breaks all promises to the community and it makes the unintended consequences of its ill-conceived programs. I hear people say time and time again, "I would have nothing against these programs if only the City would take programs responsibly." But it never does. Please do not continue to repeat the failures of the Venice Bridge Home Shelter. Please do whatever needs to be done watching this.

John Betz

PS - LAPD did arrive in the park and did inspect the situation shown below and told me there was NOTHING they could do because the Mayor and the City govern about people living illegally in their vehicles. The officer told me that directive applies to people living in the parks as well. Again, this is a city caused problem. They get before you WILL do something? Open drug market? Prostitution? Rape? Murder? Where is the line, Mr. Ramirez? How much destruction to so many by so





On Mar 3, 2022, at 3:15 PM, John Betz > wrote:

Mr. Ramirez (Che - first off let me apologize for getting your name wrong on the last email. I wasn't wearing my glasses),

Thank you for reconsidering the City's plan to locate a decompression center in the Westminster Senior Center. As I understand from your email, that plan
Thank you.

Speaking for myself, my first order of business is to get the park back under control. I understand from your email that you are taking steps to assist us with

Status of the park:

Today there are 12 vehicles in the Westminster Senior Center parking lot with people living in them (2 more than two days ago). That is 12 of 19 parking spaces
with all the attendant problems that always come with permanent vehicle dwellers. The sidewalk behind the park is somewhat cleaner than two days ago.





There is one tent against the north side of the building. It has been there since Urban Alchemy first moved in last year.



The sidewalk on Main Street adjacent to the park had about 6 tents blocking the right of way (2) days ago. Today that sidewalk is clear and cleaned up. Sc
Thank you.



Unfortunately one of the tents just moved into the next block and is still right across the street from the elementary school. Three others moved to the other sidewalk on Pacific Avenue.





So, in my opinion we are about the same as we were yesterday. I will continue to monitor and send you updates.

If we can get this park back in order, I believe there are many residents in the neighborhood who will be willing to work with the City to implement common sense solutions that all want to solve.

We had told Bonin this for years, but he refused to listen. I guess we did not fit into his top-down approach of ruling instead of representing. We are not satisfied with merely saying "lets not do something ill-advised in our backyard, that causes more harm than good." We all know that fixing this will take some effort and please do not lost on any of us.

Until tomorrow.

John Betz

Ryan/John/Heidi,

I hope all is well. I wanted to circle back and follow up per our conversation last week on CIRCLE and the Westminster site location. We greatly appreciate your collaborative in our approach to launching this pilot. We have not been able to identify other options for a decompression center in that area and so are currently adding that component to the CIRCLE headquarters at the Westminster site. We will explore other options in the future that can be more suitable to the site and only continue as an administrative headquarters to deploy calls from 911. No direct services will be offered at the location.

I look forward to keeping in touch with you all and sharing in future conversations around CIRCLE. I'm also available as a resource as well for any of you'd like to have.

I did see your recent emails about the park and concerns of encampments. I have reached out to LAPD, Park Rangers and CD11 to have a conversation, hoping to check in with them today. Open to jumping on a call tomorrow late afternoon if it's helpful.

Thank you.

Jose "Che" Ramirez
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On Mar 2, 2022, at 11:50 AM, John Betz wrote:

Mr, Martinez, et.al,

The situation that is developing in Westminster Park in Venice is rapidly spinning out of control. When we met last week there were 5 or 6 vehicles p parking lot. Now there are 10 or 11. And the mood is changing. When we met, the people living in their cars in the park were keeping a low profile. scofflaw party. More tents going up, more liv-aboard vehicles, personal property and trash strewn on the sidewalk, awnings, barbecues, furniture, str use. All open and notoriously conducted right under the noses of the Urban Alchemy folk who are occupying the senior center building. Apparently I late last night in the parking lot. This is rapidly becoming a full-blown City sponsored disaster, just like the Venice Bridge Home Shelter, just like we v just one block from an elementary school. Those of us who have watched these "trainwreck" events occur in our park in the past know that it takes v the park, then months of hard work to correct the problem. This is headed towards becoming another black eye for the mayor - another community s yet another ill-conceived City plan.

I talked with Urban Alchemy folk about the problem and they told me to call the police. I called the LAPD and they told me that it is the mayor's office down and that is why they refuse to respond to my calls. They cited COVID protocols put in place by the mayor. I remind you, that reasoning does r community. We are all back at work. The mask mandate is soon to expire. Life is returning to normal, but our politicians and police tell us that COV someone to move out of the park (despite the fact that they only recently moved into the park!) Telling us that only sounds like more lies. Such excu red-faced test - it sounds ridiculous. No one in our community believes it.

Right now, City-implemented policies are importing a significant safety problem into our neighborhood, park, right next to an elementary school. City threatening the safety of our children. I do not need to remind you that these concerns are real. Less than a year ago a house across the street fron on fire. It was a total loss. A dog perished in the blaze despite neighbors' attempts to save it.

Pease do not sacrifice one community while implementing unproven methodologies to help another. It is not an acceptable solution to address one j even bigger problem. The City has already severely damaged the community around the Venice Bridge Home Shelter and achieved only marginal r utilized, tents still on street, etc.). Please do not repeat that mistake in the Westminster Park neighborhood. Please do not import a problem into our

Please do the right thing. Either Urban Alchemy must be charged with keeping the park and surrounding neighborhood cleared, or the program at th must be terminated.

John Betz
310.463 3746

On Mar 1, 2022, at 2:16 PM, John Betz < > wrote:

Ryan,

Have you noticed the recent uptick in the growing encampment in the Westminster Senior Center Parking lot? Since Urban Alchemy moved i along with the mayor's CIRCLE program, the condition of the park has been declining rapidly. Today there are 10 "live-aboard" vehicles perm parking lot, night and day. There are at least 8 or 9 tents permanently pitched in the park or along the perimeter sidewalk. This is growing eve people are moving into the parking lot and park. I am certain that this is due to Urban Alchemy and the CIRCLE program being located in the The situation today is way worse than yesterday. They are setting up awnings, barbecues with gas tanks, hanging their laundry, and the side personal possessions and trash. Our beloved park is rapidly spinning out of control. As we knew it would anytime the City decides to offer se Center.

I have been calling LAPD for the past several days and reporting the growing problem. They have done nothing. Today I spoke to a 911 sup the following: LAPD has no criteria for dispatching officers to calls that report people living in their vehicles. This means they will not dispatch dispatcher told me this is due to a directive they received from the Mayor's office. That directive, originally dated June 2020, revised Dec 2, 2 instructed LAPD to stand down and allow people to continue dwelling in their vehicles. People experiencing homelessness are exempt from : No towing, no removal, no nothing. So it is the Mayor's office that is allowing this to happen.

Right now the park is spinning out of control - worse every day. We need to do something and we need to do it quickly. Urban Alchemy/CIRCLE just referring me to each other and neither organization will do anything. It is the old "empty chair syndrome." Just blame the person who is n knew and have been telling everyone, allowing support services in the Westminster Senior Center will attract encampments to the Park - it is alarming rate - and will destroy the safety of our neighborhood. And it is happening even without the decompression center/shelter. The mer Alchemy and CIRCLE is apparently sufficient to destroy our park. So the conversation is no longer about whether decompression is OK in th the relevant conversation is whether UA/CIRCLE is OK in the park. Me thinks not. The parking lot is already untenable. And the park will fall

We need to get together and figure out next steps. Organize? Raise money again? Or, maybe we need to call the Sheriff?

John Betz



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Westminster Park is spinning out of control - Please immediately lift the moratorium on towing illegally parked RVs

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

To: John Baginski < >

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 3:21 PM John Baginski < > wrote:

Early in the Covid crisis the Center for Disease Control issued a safer in place recommendation. Homeless/unhoused were considered safer if they are allowed to remain in place. This

With most strict Covid restrictions lifted, why are RVs allowed to stay at this point? There is no safety reason that should stop them being required to park in a legal location. They have

The City Council and the Mayor need to fix this. **Please immediately lift the moratorium on towing illegally parked RVs. Covid can no longer be an excuse for inaction.**

Allow LAPD to do their job.

Thank you.

John Baginski

35 Year Venice Resident

From: 'John Betz' via Public Safety < >

Sent: Tuesday, March 15, 2022 2:36 PM

To: Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online>; MICHEL MOORE <michel.moore@lapd.lacity.org>; Sandra Figueroa-Villa <N4964@lapd.lacity.org>; Kathleen Kim <N4965@lapd.lacity.org>; <39174@lapd.online>; Capt. Robert Long <27410@lapd.online>; Sgt. Michael Fox <34582@lapd.online>; 40122@lapd.online; 38228@lapd.online; Brian Morrison <30789@lapd.online>; <30993@lapd.online>; Adrian Acosta <37285@lapd.online>; Public Safety <publicsafety@venicenc.org>; Brian Cook <36258@lapd.online>; Richard Tefank <n3025@lapd.online>; Daniel Angela McGregor <angusmcq1961@gmail.com>; Mike Bonin <mike.bonin@lacity.org>; Mike Feuer <mike.n.feuer@lacity.org>; Rap Commissioners <RAP.COMMISSIONERS@lacity.org>; Tammy Ramirez <

Subject: Re: Westminster Park is spinning out of control

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On Mar 14, 2022, at 7:00 PM, John Betz < >



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: WESTMINSTER PARK LATE NIGHT UPDATE 03/15/22

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 3:34 PM

To: John Betz <

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Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 7:59 AM John Betz <

> wrote:

WESTMINSTER PARK LATE NIGHT UPDATE 03/15/22

Dear City Officials,

The tent on the sidewalk at the SE corner of the park on Main Street (previously reported) caught fire and burned up tonight. This is the second time this has happened in as many weeks. Same guy burned up his tent in the same spot. AGAIN!!!

Here are the facts:

- This guy is a meth addict (known to all in the neighborhood and known to LAPD)
- He has been camping in this block, adjacent to the park and across the street from the elementary school FOR OVER A YEAR!!!!
- Our neighbors have pleaded with the cops to do something about this guy. Get him off the streets. Get him the help he needs.
- The police say they can do nothing because of directives they have received from the city council and the mayor's office.
- LAPD has told us that they have told this guy not to smoke his meth right next to where he stores alcohol because of the fire danger. REALLY??? Is this the only tool we have in our toolbox to solve a problem like this? Do we just wait for this guy to kill himself or kill someone else before we do something?
- The location of these two fires is exactly one block from the house that was burned up in our neighborhood last year.

My prediction: LAPD will do nothing about this other than to ask this guy to stop his illegal behaviour. He will not comply. St. Josephs will give him another tent. We will have another fire in a week or two. LA City officials - since I know you will do nothing, please at least keep the fire department on stand-by!!!

And thus the insanity continues. Keep up the good work, City of Los Angeles!!! Perhaps your failed policies will cause our entire neighborhood to burn up and then everyone can start over.

Last nights fire (3/15/2022)

Last weeks fire. Same guy. Same meth. Same result:

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City of Los Angeles
Office of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners
Figueroa Plaza
221 North Figueroa Street, Suite 300









Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: FW: WESTMINSTER PARK LATE NIGHT UPDATE 03/15/22

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
 To: John Baginski < >

Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 3:38 PM

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 12:47 PM John Baginski < > wrote:

City Council Members.

Please immediately revoke the moratorium on removing/towing any and all illegally parked RV and cars. Stop allowing tents all over Venice Beach's boardwalk, parks and libraries. This is a DISASTER.

Please see the email chain below for the damage to our city that your insane policies created. It is time to stop this madness.

You fear of enforcing any laws on the homeless because you may not appear as the most liberal, compassionate, awake candidate has put us in this mess.

Enforcing rules and boundaries is not bad thing. It is what every parent in the world does.

John Baginski

A Disgusted 35 Year Venice Resident

From: 'John Betz' via Public Safety <

Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2022 12:21 PM

To: Mike Bonin <mike.bonin@lacity.org>; Eric Garcetti <mayor.garcetti@lacity.org>; Mike Feuer <mike.n.feuer@lacity.org>; Rap Commissioners <RAP.COMMISSIONERS@lacity.org>; Westminster Senior Center <Westminster.SeniorCenter@lacity.org>; Joe Losorelli <joe.losorelli@lacity.org>; MICHEL MOORE <michel.moore@lapd.lacity.org>; Steven Embrich <30993@lapd.online>; Beatrice Girmala <24916@lapd.online>; Jose Ramirez <jose.m.ramirez@lacity.org>

Cc: Tammy Ramirez

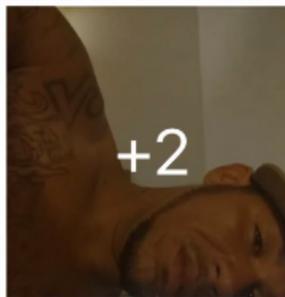
Subject: Re: WESTMINSTER PARK LATE NIGHT UPDATE 03/15/22

Correction to my last.

With regard to our security company paying this RV dweller \$10,000 - it was a settlement, not a judgement. My mistake. But same result. This guy (from Texas) shook-down our private security company for \$10k. He also brought a frivolous lawsuit against one of our neighbors. After losing that lawsuit, he left his van on the street and went back to Texas. ONLY after the van dweller lost the lawsuit and fled back to Texas did the LAPD develop the sand to tow the unoccupied vehicle.

This is what sat in our school bus unloading zone **for a year and a half**. Does anyone remotely believe that this guy would have accepted any offer of services? Any offer of housing? No, he's laughing all the way back to Texas at what a bunch of fools we are in California.

This is the guy. I know. It is astonishing. If I did not see all this with my own eyes, I would not believe it to be true.





Here is the van that he and his girlfriend lived in for a year and a half. Never moved for a single street sweeper. Drugs and parties and loud music all night. Repairing motorcycles and stolen bikes on the sidewalk. Marching around the neighborhood threatening residents. Stealing power from the light pole. **For a year and a half!!** This is insanity. This is the poster child for failed government. If I were an elected official and this happened on my watch, I would be ashamed to show my face in public. But our elected officials are shameless. They just keep coming up with more excuses why the "Dog ate their homework."



Here is a video of the RV FINALLY being towed away last month but only after it was abandoned.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=djANIUYrs88&t=23s>

I love the mural of Mike Bonin painted on the side. Draw your own conclusions.

On Mar 16, 2022, at 9:33 AM, John Betz < > wrote:

Follow-on discussion regarding the conditions in and around Westminster Park.

Lets get real on what is going on in Westminster Park. The City of Los Angeles is sponsoring an open air drug scene in the park. The people currently occupying our park are not homeless people. They are people using/addicted to drugs and suffering from mental illness. LAPD knows this. The neighbors know this. And you, our elected officials, know this. They came there as a result of the City locating its CIRCLE program in the park's senior center. Offers of housing will not entice these people to seek help or stop breaking the law or camping illegally in our public spaces. Housing is not what they seek. Help is not what they seek. That is why the CIRCLE program is ineffective with this population. Only a combination of social services AND enforcement will work.

I walk through the park frequently and during the past weeks this is what I have observed:

- Multiple people living in their vehicles in the park parking lot.
- Open drug use.
- Trash and personal property on the sidewalks.
- Cooking equipment.
- Tents surrounding the park.
- Lots of out-of-state license plates.

It is interesting to note that before this park encampment grew and became threatening, every time I walked through the park, Urban Alchemy and the mayor's CIRCLE team were a visible presence in the park and in the parking lot. But now, since this encampment has grown around the CIRCLE team's office in the senior center, they are nowhere to be seen. Why? Why were they hiding inside their office the other morning when an altercation broke out between vehicle dwellers in the parking lot? Why are they not outside interacting with the people occupying our park, offering them services, building relationships, etc. Why are they not working to them off the street? Why are they always inside the senior center building with the door shut? I suspect I know the answer - they fear for their safety and they know that there is nothing the CIRCLE team can offer that is of interest to the people who are occupying our park.

And what is the resultant impact to our neighborhood? When open drug use is unaddressed, it leads to theft and break-ins and other more serious behaviors. We know this. We experience it all the time. And, if the CIRCLE team's "trained professionals" (hired by the mayor) are afraid to interact with the people occupying our park, then how are we residents supposed to feel safe outside our homes with these folk occupying the public spaces in our neighborhood, using and selling drugs in their tents, and LAPD is nowhere to be seen? It is ironic that things have gotten so bad in our neighborhood that several of us got together and hired private security (because we cant rely on LAPD). So then what happened? One of the worst-of-the-worst occupier drug addicts, the same guy you let live in his RV right next to Westminster Elementary School FOR A YEAR AND A HALF RIGHT NEXT TO THE SCHOOL BUS ZONE, the same guy who terrorized our neighborhood FOR A YEAR AND A HALF! He sued our security company and was awarded a \$10,000 judgement. Absolute insanity!!!!

At the risk of just sounding like a complainer, I believe there are solutions to halt the degradation of human dignity and restore public order in our neighborhoods and in our city. We need to admit that the "housing First" approach is a total failure, a totla waste of taxpayer dollars and can never solv the problem. We need to provide basic shelter (not housing). We need to require those occupying our public spaces to use that basic shelter. We need to provide psychiatric and rehab services for the drug addicted and mentally ill. And we need to shut down the open dealing of deadly drugs. No drug dealing/use in tents, or RV's, on social media, or in our public spaces. I know this is more of a long-term solution, but we need to get started and work toward achievable goals.

But in the near-term, This is what I want to know. I think everyone in our neighborhood as a right to have these questions answered:

1) I was told by representative of the Mayor's office that they would reach out to LAPD, Park Rangers and CD11 to have a conversation about the situation in the park. What is the result of those conversations? What actions will the City be taking?

2) When will the Mayor cancel his 2020 directive that instructed LAPD to stop all enforcement regarding illegal vehicle dwelling? There are shelter beds available. There is housing available. There are safe parking options available.

3) When will the City stop using COVID as an excuse for all it's hands off policies? We just canceled the mask mandate. Seems the COVID safety rationale is no longer valid (if it ever was in this context). I note - the people occupying our park moved there during the past six months. What is so unsafe about requiring them to move again - to a location with safe parking and that does not so negatively impact a residential neighborhood next to an elementary school?

3) Even if the City will continue to allow folk to live in their vehicles, why is that being allowed in our parks, in areas where it is illegal to park overnight, illegal to use drugs, illegal to disturb the peace of a residential neighborhood?

4) How do you justify enforcing laws against some people and not others. Example: parking citations. LAPD refuses to write citations to ANY of the folk living in their vehicles. Their excuse - they wont pay the fines anyway. Yet you continue to cite, tow and enforce parking laws against the rest of us. Why? If these occupiers are being given a free pass with any laws/rules, we all should be afforded equal treatment.

5) Why are you not enforcing the law against using dangerous drug use?

6) Why does the CIRCLE Team hide behind closed doors? If they are ineffective (and they themselves have admitted to me that they can do nothing with this occupier crowd) then why are they still here? CIRCLE/UA have been operating out of our park since October 2021 - 6 months. How many people have been housed/helped as a result? What is the benefit of this program? Does the benefit outweigh the detriment to our neighborhood? If not, why are they still operating?

7) In cases of illegal misdemeanor behavior in which the CIRCLE team admits that there is nothing further that they can do, why does LAPD still decline to respond? I have asked the CIRCLE Team folk to do something about individuals camping in the park. They told me that they had tried unsuccessfully to address the problem and that my only recourse was to call LAPD. I called LAPD and they told me to call the CIRCLE Team. The old "Empty Chair" merry-go-round syndrome? The end result - nothing is done.

John Betz

On Mar 16, 2022, at 7:58 AM, John Betz < > wrote:

WESTMINSTER PARK LATE NIGHT UPDATE 03/15/22

Dear City Officials,

The tent on the sidewalk at the SE corner of the park on Main Street (previously reported) caught fire and burned up tonight. This is the second time this has happened in as many weeks. Same guy burned up his tent in the same spot. AGAIN!!!

Here are the facts:

- This guy is a meth addict (known to all in the neighborhood and known to LAPD)
- He has been camping in this block, adjacent to the park and across the street from the elementary school FOR OVER A YEAR!!!!
- Our neighbors have pleaded with the cops to do something about this guy. Get him off the streets. Get him the help he needs.
- The police say they can do nothing because of directives they have received from the city council and the mayor's office.
- LAPD has told us that they have told this guy not to smoke his meth right next to where he stores alcohol because of the fire danger. REALLY??? Is this the only tool we have in our toolbag to solve a problem like this? Do we just wait for this guy to

kill himself or kill someone else before we do something?

- The location of these two fires is exactly one block from the house that was burned up in our neighborhood last year.

My prediction: LAPD will do nothing about this other than to ask this guy to stop his illegal behaviour. He will not comply. St. Josephs will give him another tent. We will have another fire in a week or two. LA City officials - since I know you will do nothing, please at least keep the fire department on stand-by!!!

And thus the insanity continues. Keep up the good work, City of Los Angeles!!! Perhaps your failed policies will cause our entire neighborhood to burn up and then everyone can start over.

Last nights fire (3/15/2022)



Last weeks fire. Same guy. Same meth. Same result:



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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Request from community that Safe Parking permit requests at Westchester Park be denied; 200 letters from community members

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Lisa GAINES < >

Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 3:26 PM

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Thu, Mar 17, 2022 at 9:07 AM Lisa GAINES < > wrote:

Please don't put Safe Parking in this location for the sake of the seniors and to prevent further homelessness by the vulnerable seniors living in this community.

For the last 3 years our children and seniors have been banished from outdoor and indoor activities at this, once but not now, beautiful park. Their lives were not considered by this outrageous decision to bring crime, drugs, guns, fires, prostitution, lewd acts, chop shops, feces, mentally ill and drug addicts with the homeless encampment. As the seniors and youth have been victims of assaults, robberies and even death from the homeless, the young and seniors will not feel safe to go to the park, senior center, library or eventually the pool if the parking lot (and you know darn well that it will go beyond) is a designated Safe Parking zone for homeless people.

Seniors are a high risk group for homelessness themselves. This senior center is the only thing that has prevented a vast majority of its patrons from being on the street themselves. Many don't have computers but go to the library to do use their computers. Many don't have air conditioning yet used the senior center and library during hot days. Many have been able to stay in their home from the legal assistance they received from senior center services. These seniors are at risk of many things that can be helped with the free services offered by the senior center (legal, medical, social, financial, housing, to name a few). But they won't get them there if they feel vulnerable to homeless people in the parking area close to the center or won't be able to swim at the pool if homeless are in that parking lot.

Join the vast majority of Westchester neighbors in preventing the community seniors from becoming the next homeless by moving the Safe Parking to another location.

The seniors have paid their taxes all their lives and deserve to be considered.

Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 16, 2022, at 11:34 AM, Debra Huston < >

wrote:

Dear RAP Commissioners, Mr. Shull (General Manager of Recreation and Parks), and Mr. Royster (General Manager of the General Services Division):

We have included Mr. Royster in this email because we have become aware that CM Mike Bonin may or will be applying for a permit to place Safe Parking in the parking lot of Westchester Park that is near his office. This parking lot is under GSD jurisdiction. This parking lot is also near the senior center, the basketball courts, the public library, and the large picnic area in the park, and it is heavily used by the families of youth athletes who often play until 10:00 p.m. in the evening.

We oppose Safe Parking in any lot in the park, for the reasons explained in previous emails to you, which I have forwarded to Mr. Royster. Several people in our group have responded to my emails to RAP explaining to RAP their reasons for opposing. Below are Dropbox links to all 200 letters signed with wet signatures by community members who oppose Safe Parking in the park.

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Our opposition is not based on an opposition to Safe Parking in general. We support Safe Parking for people who are homeless. However, we do not believe in should be in a parking lot of a park, based on these reasons:

Westchester Park is a "recreation center park," and has been heavily used since the 1940s by people from Westchester, Inglewood, and Playa del Rey. People from South Central also use the park because LA is a "park poor" city, and people from east of the 405 can drive or take a bus down Manchester to access and enjoy the park.

We are proud to be a park that is racially and socioeconomically diverse, and we are proud to have several youth league leaders who have included diversity as a fundamental part of every aspect of their leagues. We have a youth football league founder, a young LAPD officer, Bernard Robins, who grew up in South Central, who is starting a league, when the ball fields open, that will serve youth from South Central in Westchester Park, where they will play with kids from Westchester and Playa del Rey and get to know each other as human beings, rather than based on stereotypes. This young officer lost two brothers to gun violence, and he wants to do everything he can to change outcomes for kids in his community. Here is a Dropbox link to the video, shot last summer in which he discusses his league and his plans for the league in Westchester Park, using the library for after school study and the ball fields for youth sports. Please take a minute to watch this video. We found it to be both inspirational and impactful.

https://www.dropbox.com/s/tz1bplwt0zghrr/IMG_2160-3.mov?dl=0

In general, the park is used by large numbers of people of all socioeconomic and racial groups. Our surveys conducted at the park last summer showed the park was equally used by African-American, Latino, and Causasion populations. The ball fields, skate park, tennis courts, senior center, library, recreation pool, and recreation center were all heavily used prior to covid shutdowns. The renovation of the ball fields will be complete in June, or thereabouts, and all other facilities are open, except for the recreation pool, which is closed for the winter and will open soon. People have returned to the park, and more will return as facilities and programs are opened for the summer. The park and all of its programs and amenities have and will be used by many thousands of people. The park provides other and wider community benefits--for example, the senior center has been used as a FEMA cooling station during heat waves to keep seniors safe.

The park users need all of the parking spaces in the park. There is no parking on Lincoln Ave, and the street parking on Manchester is unsafe for family and senior use because of the heavy traffic on that street. It is unsafe for families and seniors to park across Lincoln or Manchester, especially on dark winter evenings, because of the high volume and high speed of traffic on these streets.

We also note that a Safe Parking lot for 50 cars has recently been approved for Lot E at LAX, and that the users of the Safe Parking in Westchester Park could use those spaces. In addition, there are many government building parking lots that could be used for Safe Parking purposes. We have recently heard that either LA Sanitation or LADOT is considering using some of its parking lots for Safe Parking.

Westchester Park is the only park in the City with a Safe Parking program, and we believe that is because this use is inconsistent with the Mission of LA City Parks.

The permit for Safe Parking, which is now in the parking lot near the ballfields, will expire on June 30, 2022. **Our communities, our seniors, and our youth implore you to deny any request for a permit or to extend a permit for Safe Parking in any lot of Westchester Park.**

If there is any process during which such permitting will be considered, we ask that you include our Neighborhood Council. In the past couple years, our Neighborhood Council has not been notified of Mr. Bonin's permit applications or the permit process that followed, and our Neighborhood Council not given

the opportunity to give input, as discussed by our Neighborhood Council President, Paula Gerez, as discussed in her letter below. We also ask that you include our communities in general, who are park stakeholders.

Thank you for everything you do every day to fulfill the Mission of LA City Parks, and to achieve park equity and to ensure park access for "park poor" communities. We are happy to live in a city where park equity is a priority, and we applaud the City Council, Mayor, and RAP staff for their recent work that resulted in Council Files 21-1467 and 21-1462 regarding the continuing and priority efforts of achieving park equity in the City.

Debra Huston

October 1, 2020

Councilman Mike Bonin
200 N. Spring Street #475
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Honorable Councilman:

The Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa (NCWP) and our community recently learned Safe Parking LA is relocating their program to a lot within Westchester Park and the City's Rec and Parks' jurisdiction. As a duly elected board and in the spirit of openness, transparency and inclusiveness, the NCWP respectfully requests to be included in and have a seat on both the Safe Parking Task Force and the Task Force working to address homelessness issues in the park.

The role of the Neighborhood Council is to serve as the voice of our community and advocate for stakeholders just as you serve your constituents. We all belong to the same family, the City and County of Los Angeles. The Neighborhood Council should be recognized as a trusted and respected voice at the table. Engaging all vested parties and working together in a collaborative fashion, leads to better outcomes and community response to complicated quality of life issues.

We appreciate your consideration and look forward to your reply to our request.

Respectfully,

Paula Gerez
President, NCWP

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Pico Union NC Letter of Support - Pico Union Park Renaming to Parque Nativo Lopez

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 1:27 PM

To: Aurora Pink <...>
Cc: Meghan Luera <meghan.luera@lacity.org>, "T. J. Spaur" <...>, Alejandra Delfin <...>, Zoila Banuelos <...>, "Genny R. Alberts" <...>

Louis Shapiro <...>, Marilu Guevara <marilu.guevara@lacity.org>, "Gilbert.Cedillo@lacity.org" <Gilbert.Cedillo@lacity.org>, "Debby.Kim@lacity.org" <Debby.Kim@lacity.org>, Hugo Ortiz <hugo.ortiz@lacity.org>, "gandhy.diaz@lacity.org" <gandhy.diaz@lacity.org>

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Sun, Mar 13, 2022 at 2:11 PM Aurora Pink <...> wrote:

Good day Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners,

Attached please find a Letter of Support from the Pico Union Neighborhood Council with regards to renaming of Pico Union Vest Pocket Park to Parque Nativo Lopez.

Thank you,

Jay Park

President, Pico Union Neighborhood Council

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PICO UNION NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL



LETTER OF SUPPORT

March 13, 2022

To: Honorable Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners

Re: Renaming Pico Union Vest Pocket Park to Parque Nativo Lopez

On March 10, 2022 at its Special General Board Meeting, the Pico Union Neighborhood Council (PUNC) voted to support the renaming of Pico Union Vest Pocket Park to Parque Nativo Lopez in honor of the numerous accomplishments of this Chicano political leader and immigration rights. The fact that Mr. Lopez began his immigration activism in Pico Union makes it even more vital that we uphold his legacy in our community.

During public comment, our Council heard many community residents express approval of the renaming. In addition, they spoke in favor of the change for the betterment of our community. Therefore, our Council stands in solidarity with its residents, and we hope that the Board will approve the renaming of this Pico Union park to Parque Nativo Lopez.

Respectfully,

Jay Park, President
Alejandra Delfin, Vice President
Taylor John Spaur, Treasurer
Aurora Corona, Secretary
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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Urgent Matter re: Echo Park Fence

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Greg Pritikin <

Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 1:51 PM

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Sun, Mar 13, 2022 at 4:01 PM Greg Pritikin < > wrote:
To Whom It May Concern,

As a 20 year resident and business owner in Echo Park I am writing to urge action be taken to remove the temporary chain-link fence erected around the park since the removal of the un-housed people last year. On behalf of my two daughters of playground ages and many other families, I would like to know when you plan on removing this unnecessary eye-sore. Though residents understand the initial purpose to protect the grass that had been damaged during the first part of the pandemic was justified, the lawns have fully recovered, the unhoused people relocated, and yet the fence is still there obstructing people's access to our public park. Not only does the fence encumber access in and out of the park it also degrades the natural beauty of the neighborhood, resembling a construction site or an internment camp. Whether it is because of bureaucratic delays or some ulterior or nefarious motive by the city council, there is no legitimate purpose for this fence to hinder our enjoyment of our park any longer. Furthermore, the lack of communication and indifference to the public, who unanimously stands against the barrier, feels hostile. We beseech you to remove it and restore the park to its original, open and unhindered splendor so that the public may enjoy it freely and without inconvenience once again.

Sincerely,
Greg Pritikin
Echo Park Resident & Business Owner

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Silver Lake Rec Center Complaint

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Imani Ballard <

Mon, Mar 14, 2022 at 12:15 PM

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners and staff. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Sun, Mar 13, 2022 at 12:18 PM Imani Ballard < > wrote:
To Whom It May Concern,

I hope this email finds you well. As of late, someone has been locking the basketball courts at the Silver Lake Recreational Center, barring anyone from using these courts on the weekend.

To my knowledge, these are public courts. Who would be the best person to talk to and remedy this issue?

Best,
Imani Ballard

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Silver Lake Recreation Center

1 message

Constance Caldwell <constance.caldwell@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 5:41 PM

To:

Cc: Gordon Dupree <gordon.dupree@lacity.org>, Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Good Afternoon Imani,

I received your email expressing your concerns about the basketball courts being closed on the weekends. Our normal hours of operations are Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 9:00 pm and Saturdays 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. It has always been in our policy to close and lock the park Saturdays, at the end of the business day. Our hours of operation also coincide with all other recreational parks within Los Angeles City.

Recently, Silver Lake R.C. vandalized and the damage was substantial. We have experienced an increase in transient population after hours (sleeping onsite). Drug paraphernalia and human waste have also been discovered. While we understand it is a public park we have to make sure that we keep the park clean, inviting and secure. This is also to prevent drinking and smoking on the premises.

We recently invested on updating and securing our outdoor basketball courts for our youth league and adults alike. We lock and secure the facility to make sure that we are able to prevent any further damages. If you have any further questions and/or concerns please feel free to reach out.

Kind Regards,

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Constance Caldwell- Acting Facility Director

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon; 3/17/22 meeting of the RAP Facility Repair and Maintenance Commission Task Force, agenda item 2A

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 11:59 AM

To: info@pacpalicc.org

Cc: Cathie Santo Domingo <cathie.santodomingo@lacity.org>, Darryl Ford <darryl.ford@lacity.org>, Noah Fleishman <noah.fleishman@lacity.org>, Kristen Ly <kristen.ly@lacity.org>, David Card

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Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 10:12 AM <i > wrote:

Dear RAP Commissioners and City officials:

Please see the attached correspondence from Pacific Palisades Community Council regarding the above-referenced matter.

Thank you.

Best regards,

Christina Spitz
Secretary
Pacific Palisades Community Council
www.pacpalicc.org

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PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

March 7, 2022

Darryl Ford, Planning Superintendent, Dept. of Recreation and Parks (RAP)
Kristin Ly, PE, Civil Engineering Associate & Project Manager, Bureau of Engineering (BOE)
Noah Fleishman, Deputy District Director, CD 11

Via email to each of the above

Re: George Wolfberg Park (the Park) at Potrero Canyon (the Project)

Dear Mr. Ford, Ms. Ly and Mr. Fleishman:

The Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) Executive Committee regrets that you have declined our invitation to attend a PPCC public board meeting for a “stand alone” presentation with respect to matters involving the Project.

In lieu of a presentation at a PPCC meeting, we respectfully request that you promptly provide written answers to the following questions:

1. Will the south/PCH entrance to the canyon be closed at the Park’s opening? Will there be a sign in place stating "no coastal access," as indicated in the RAP-approved final landscape plans for the Project (the Final Plans)? For how long will the south/PCH entrance be closed? Will it ever be opened, and if so, under what circumstances?
2. Does the City of Los Angeles (the City, including RAP, BOE and/or CD 11) intend to seek permission or has the City sought permission from the California Coastal Commission (CCC) for this closure? Has the CCC indicated whether it will allow the entrance to be closed for any length of time?
3. What is the reason for the decision to close the south/PCH entrance? Is the closure tied to the status of the lateral trail from the south/PCH entrance to Temescal Canyon Blvd. (the Lateral Trail), and/or to the status of the PCH over-crossing/pedestrian bridge (the Bridge)?
4. What is the current status of the Lateral Trail? Is the City now proceeding to design and construct the Lateral Trail, or has this effort been abandoned? If the latter, what is the justification for doing so?
5. If the City is now working on a design for the Lateral Trail, when does the City expect the design to be completed? Will the design be submitted to the CCC for approval? Why hasn't the Lateral Trail design been completed and submitted to the CCC at an earlier time?
6. Has permission from Caltrans been secured for the City to use Caltrans property along PCH for the Lateral Trail? What is the status? What further steps, if any, need to occur with respect to Caltrans permission? Is the City now actively pursuing these steps? Has Caltrans indicated that it will grant permission and if so, when is permission expected to be granted?

7. If the City is now proceeding with the Lateral Trail, what is the timeline and estimated completion date? What is the estimated cost to complete the Lateral Trail? Is funding available to complete the Lateral Trail, or are there any funding challenges? If so, what are any such challenges and how does the City propose to secure sufficient funding in order to complete the Lateral Trail?
8. Will the City hold off on opening the Park to the public until the Lateral Trail is completed? Or, will the City instead open the Park to public use while keeping the south/PCH entrance closed until the Lateral Trail is in place? Or, will the City wait to open the south/PCH entrance until the Bridge is in place? If the latter, what is the time estimate for completion of the Bridge?
9. Why did the City prepare the Final Plans after the City had prepared and submitted to the CCC prior landscape plans for the Project which the CCC approved in September 2016? Have the Final Plans been submitted to the CCC and has the CCC also approved the Final Plans? If not, does the City intend to submit the Final Plans to the CCC for approval?
10. Why was a pathway to/from Friends St. included in the Final Plans?
11. Since September 2016, what efforts has the City made to ascertain the level of public support for inclusion of a pathway/public entrance on Friends St. and/or for closure of the south/PCH entrance? What is the City's position on whether public support for these measures should be obtained and ascertained? Has the City reached any conclusion as to the current level of public support for these measures, and if so, what is the City's conclusion and the basis for that conclusion?
12. Regarding the EIR addendum for the Project's landscaping phase (EIR Addendum): Has the City followed up after concerns about the EIR Addendum were raised by residents, and has the City reached a conclusion as to whether statements in the EIR Addendum (about prior study in the 1985 EIR of a pathway/public entrance on Friends St.) are accurate or inaccurate? If so, what is the City's conclusion and the basis for that conclusion? Will any further action be taken with respect to these statements in the EIR Addendum?
13. Why does the EIR Addendum omit reference to proposed closure of the south/PCH entrance or any study of the impacts of a proposed closure of that entrance? Has the City reached a conclusion as to whether or not a study is needed of the impacts of a closure of that entrance, and if so, what is the City's conclusion and the basis for that conclusion? Will any further action be taken with respect to the EIR Addendum's omission of a reference to closure of the south/PCH entrance?

PPCC supports transparency in government, which in turn promotes public trust and assurance that officials are acting in the public interest. We request answers to these questions in order to achieve these important goals.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation and prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Executive Committee, Pacific Palisades Community Council

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PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

March 15, 2022

Board of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Commissioners
Michael A. Shull, General Manager, RAP
Cathie Santo Domingo, Assistant General Manager, RAP
Darryl Ford, Planning Supervisor, RAP

Via email to the above recipients

Re: George Wolfberg Park (Park) at Potrero Canyon; 3/17/22 meeting of the RAP Facility Repair and Maintenance Commission Task Force, agenda item 2A (3/17 Meeting)

Dear RAP Commissioners and RAP officials:

For 49 years, Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) has been the most broad-based community organization and voice of the Palisades. The Potrero Canyon project began with the City's purchase of the site 58 years ago with the goal to create a park connecting the Palisades Recreation Center and the coast. PPCC – which was instrumental in 2004 in helping to jump-start the then-stalled project via a motion and City Council action – has been following the Park's progress for decades.

This year, Pacific Palisades is proudly celebrating the centennial of its founding in 1922. PPCC and the community at large look forward to the Park's completion during this centennial year.

We appreciate that the 3/17 Meeting will include an update on Park conditions as related to damage from recent storms. We share an interest in learning about the measures undertaken or proposed by the City and/or its contractor to mitigate any damages and remedy unsafe conditions.

At the same time, we bring to the RAP Commissioners' attention our letter to City officials of March 7, 2022, in which we have requested answers to several questions about aspects of the Park's landscaping. See the attached March 7 letter, also linked at: <http://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/PPCC-EC-Potrero-Questions-1.pdf>.

Further questions: In light of apparent damage to hillside areas as a result of recent storms, has the City conducted or will it conduct any study or investigation as to the safety to the public of trails, pathways or other Park features on or near steep slopes in the vicinity of the area depicted in the box labeled "Main areas of major storm damage," in photos attached to the 3/17 Meeting agenda? If so, will the results be made publicly available? If not, why not?

PPCC has not received a response to date to the March 7, 2022 letter. We respectfully request that RAP officials provide answers to our questions at the 3/17 Meeting or at an upcoming public meeting of the RAP Commissioners; or, should City officials decline to present at a public meeting as we originally requested, we request written answers to our questions at the earliest opportunity.

Pacific Palisades Community Council
RAP Commissioners, et al.
March 15, 2022

Thank you for your anticipated courtesy and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Executive Committee, Pacific Palisades Community Council

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Christina Spitz, Secretary
John Padden, Organization Representative (P.R.I.D.E.)
Joanna Spak, Elected Representative (PPCC Area 1)

Attached: March 7, 2022 letter

cc (via email):

Noah Fleishman, Deputy District Director, CD 11
Kristen Ly, PE, Project Manager, BOE



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Mar 30, 2022 at 10:04 AM

To:

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Good morning,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 4:33 PM

> wrote:

Dear Officials:

Please see attached letter from the Pacific Palisades Community Council Executive Committee.

Best regards,

Chris Spitz
Secretary
Pacific Palisades Community Council

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PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

March 23, 2022

Recreation and Parks (RAP) Commissioners
Michael A. Shull, General Manager, RAP
Cathie Santo Domingo, Assistant General Manager, RAP
Darryl Ford, Planning Supervisor, RAP

Via email to all recipients

Re: George Wolfberg Park (Park) at Potrero Canyon

City officials:

The Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) Executive Committee understands (from reports at recent RAP Commission meetings) that January storms caused extensive damage to Potrero Canyon; that costs of necessary repairs have depleted or exhausted funds available for Park landscaping; that Park completion has been delayed; that funding is not available and/or there are still issues with Caltrans permission for the trail from the mouth of the Canyon to Temescal Canyon Blvd. (Lateral Trail); and that funding for the proposed pedestrian bridge/PCH over-crossing (Bridge) may be insufficient due to inflation.

PPCC supports completion of the Park and construction of the Bridge. In its 2004 motion which jumpstarted work on the project, PPCC called for a "walk bridge" from the mouth of the canyon over PCH to "beach parking"; this position has never changed.

In the interest of transparency, we respectfully request that knowledgeable RAP officials attend our next PPCC board meeting on April 14, 2022 (6pm via Zoom) to present information to the community and to answer questions related to the status of repairs to the Canyon; costs of repairs; status of funding and anticipated schedule for Park completion; status of funding and Caltrans issues regarding the Lateral Trail; status of funding for the Bridge; and what sources of additional funding, if any, the City is seeking for Park completion, the Lateral Trail and the Bridge (including whether the City has applied or will apply for a federal "community projects funding" grant). See: <https://lieu.house.gov/helping-you/community-project-funding-requests>.¹

If April 14th is not an available date, please let us know if there are other dates in the next few weeks when RAP officials would be able to attend and present information to PPCC and the Palisades community.

We also continue to request that City officials provide answers to the additional specific questions posed by the PPCC Executive Committee in our letters of March 7 and March 15, 2022.

¹ Congressman Ted Lieu's Deputy District Director Janet Turner (a former PPCC Chair) has brought this program to the attention of PPCC. Ms. Turner also recently indicated at a board meeting of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils that the deadline to apply (previously 3/18) has now been extended to "mid-April;" she encourages applications for such funding to be brought in the next few weeks.

Pacific Palisades Community Council
RAP Commissioners, et al.
March 23, 2022

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Executive Committee, Pacific Palisades Community Council

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John Padden, Organization Representative (P.R.I.D.E.)

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Kristen Ly, PE, Project Manager, BOE



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Re: George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon

1 message

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Wed, Mar 30, 2022 at 10:17 AM

To:

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Good morning,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Fri, Mar 25, 2022 at 8:05 AM

> wrote:

City officials:

Please see the attached letter from the Pacific Palisades Community Council Executive Committee (request for City to apply immediately for federal funding of improvements of the trail from the mouth of Potrero Canyon to Temescal Canyon Rd., if there is no current funding for the trail).

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

Christina Spitz
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PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

March 25, 2022

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Darryl Ford, Planning Supervisor, RAP
Kristen Ly, PE, Project Manager, Bureau of Engineering (BOE)
Noah Fleishman, Deputy District Director, CD 11

Via email to all recipients

Re: George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon (Park) – Lateral Trail Funding Request

City officials:

The Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) Executive Committee supports the improvement of the existing dirt road connecting the mouths of Potrero and Temescal Canyons (and their two parks) as a pedestrian recreation trail (Lateral Trail). There is a crossing light at PCH & Temescal Canyon Road, for a safe crossing to Will Rogers State Beach for users of the new Park.

In order to further Park completion, if there is no current funding for the Lateral Trail, we request that the City immediately apply for federal funding via the "community projects" funding program administered through Congressman Lieu's office: <https://lieu.house.gov/helping-you/community-project-funding-requests>.

Please note that pursuant to PPCC Bylaws, after a straw poll was taken at the regular PPCC Board meeting on March 24, 2022, the full PPCC Board indicated approval of this request to be submitted by the PPCC Executive Committee.

Please inform us if and when an application for such funding is submitted, and if not, the reason why it was not submitted. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Re: George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon (Park) -- Lateral Trail Funding Request

1 message

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Wed, Mar 30, 2022 at 10:59 AM

To:

Cc: Mike Bonin <mike.bonin@lacity.org>, Aura Garcia <aura.garcia@lacity.org>, bpw-ram@lacity.org, Gary Lee Moore <gary.lee.moore@lacity.org>, Jose FUENTES <Jose.fuentes@lacity.org>, Kristen Ly <kristen.ly@lacity.org>, AP Diaz <ap.diaz@lacity.org>, Darryl Ford <darryl.ford@lacity.org>, Noah Fleishman <noah.fleishman@lacity.org>, David Card >, "Chris Spitz" >, John Padden < >, Joanna Spak < >

Good morning,

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On Mon, Mar 28, 2022 at 1:37 PM

> wrote:

Dear Councilmember Bonin:

Please see the attached letter from the Pacific Palisades Community Council Executive Committee -- request for immediate submission of an application for federal funding of improvements of the trail from the mouth of Potrero Canyon to Temescal Canyon Rd., if there is no current funding for the trail), for safe crossing to the beach by users of the Park when completed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

Christina Spitz
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PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

March 28, 2022

Hon. Mike Bonin, Councilmember, Council District 11

Via email

Re: George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon (Park) – Lateral Trail Funding Request

Dear Councilmember Bonin:

On March 25, 2022, the PPCC Executive Committee submitted the following letter to Los Angeles Recreation and Parks (RAP) Commissioners and other City officials:

<http://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/PPCC-EC-Letter-Lat-Trail-Funding.pdf>.

The PPCC Executive Committee supports improvement of the existing dirt road connecting the mouths of Potrero and Temescal Canyons (and their two parks) as a pedestrian recreation trail (Lateral Trail), for safe pedestrian crossing to Will Rogers State Beach for users of the new Park when completed. If current funding is insufficient, ***we urge CD 11 to immediately submit or assist the appropriate City agency in submitting an application for federal funding of the Lateral Trail.***

We have been advised by Congressman Ted Lieu's Deputy District Director that such an application should be submitted **no later than mid-April**. We respectfully request that you coordinate with RAP and the Dept. of Public Works/Bureau of Engineering (BOE) to ensure that an application for federal funding of the Lateral Trail is timely submitted. For more information see: <https://lieu.house.gov/helping-you/community-project-funding-requests>, or contact janet.turner@mail.house.gov.

Please inform us if and when an application for such funding is submitted, and if not, the reason why it was not submitted. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Executive Committee, Pacific Palisades Community Council

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cc (*via email*):

Board of Public Works/Dept. of Public Works; Gary Lee Moore, PE, City Engineer; Jose Fuentes, PE, CCM, Deputy City Engineer; Kristen Ly, PE, Project Manager (BOE); RAP Commissioners; Michael A. Shull, RAP General Manager; A. P. Diaz, RAP Executive Director; Darryl Ford, RAP Planning Supervisor; Noah Fleishman, CD 11 Deputy District Director



PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

March 28, 2022

Board of Public Works/Dept. of Public Works
Gary Lee Moore, PE, City Engineer, Bureau of Engineering (BOE)
Jose Fuentes, PE, CCM, Deputy City Engineer, BOE

Via email to all recipients

Re: George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon (Park) – Lateral Trail Funding Request

Dear Board of Public Works, City Engineer Moore and Deputy City Engineer Fuentes:

Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) has been the most broad-based community organization and voice of the Palisades since 1973. On March 25, 2022, the PPCC Executive Committee submitted the following letter to Los Angeles Recreation and Parks (RAP) Commissioners and other City officials:

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Regarding the Criminal Conduct of the Chief ranger

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 3:41 PM

To:

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 1:55 PM < > wrote:

Good afternoon

I have attached a document to be forwarded to the RAP Commission.

I am aware it will not be in time to be sent before tomorrow's meeting, however, can you please inform me when it will be sent to the Commission.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Jerome Puttler

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Good Morning

Introduction

Thank you in advance for taking the time to read this.

It has been almost two years since the Chief Ranger made the series of unjustifiable and unlawful decisions while employed as the Chief Ranger of the Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Ranger Department. Over that period of time, I have sent several documents as well as made several Public Comments about the incident to the RAP Commission and to RAP Management.

Unfortunately, the RAP Management at first ignored and then helped to cover-up the obvious mis-conduct by the Chief Ranger and apparently defied the RAP Commission with an obviously biased and incomplete investigation, which was conducted by the Head of HR Harold Fujita.

Even, though there was an eyewitness who heard and saw the beginning of the incident, when the White SUV driven by the Chief Ranger made the reckless driving maneuver in a residential neighborhood, no one from Management has ever asked this individual what he saw on that day. This despite, the fact there was an investigation ordered by the Commission in very early 2021 and a Complaint filed in March of 2021 to the Ranger Station.

Nor, has anyone ever from Parks and Recreation met me at the scene of the incident, so that the pictures and video evidence and the timeline it creates can be put into context. Of course, if the information from the witness or the video and picture evidence is taken into account, it shows that officer Losorelli not only acted unjustifiably and unlawfully, he lied about the incident.

Even without the eyewitness, the pictures and video evidence I have, along with the circumstantial evidence is totally inconsistent with the Chief Rangers narrative about observing a crime and also shows that Officer Losorelli assaulted me by knocking the phone from my hands after I made comments to passersby about his friend.

The facts are, which is backed up by overwhelming evidence that the actions and decisions made by Chief Ranger Joe Losorelli that day had nothing to do with public safety nor did it have anything to do with Law Enforcement. There is overwhelming evidence that Losorelli did not observe a crime and lied about it, instead his actions throughout the incident were clearly for his own persona agenda.

I would hope that the Commission, would re-examine the incredibly biased and erroneous conclusion by the Head of HR, Harold Fujita, who concluded after his "Investigation", that Officer Losorelli had acted properly. That "Investigation" can easily be described as a "Sham"

and the fact that Mr. Fujita purposely mis-led the Commission, should give great concern to the Commission.

I seldom if ever have mentioned the General Manager Michael Shull, but of course, it is extremely likely he had a great deal to do with the entire cover-up from the outset. I contacted Sophia Pina Cortez's Office the day the incident occurred and several other times in 2020. It is hard to believe throughout the entire situation, he was unaware and uninvolved and therefore, he is complicit in covering up the "Criminal mis-conduct" by the Chief Ranger and helping to deceive the Commission.

Additionally, if the Commission considers the legal outcome, the dismissal of the "Criminal Case" against me by the LA City Attorney pursuant to 1385 in the California Penal Code in June of 2021, and the current investigation of this matter by the LA County D.A.s Office, it further corroborates the fact that when the incident is looked at objectively, the evidence is overwhelming that Officer Losorelli's abused his authority during the incident and acted unlawfully. Whether he will be charged or not, I still don't know. However, at this time he has far greater legal Jeopardy than I ever had.

Hopefully, the Commission has the will to do what is necessary and hold those individuals accountable for the roles they played in the "Incident" and the "Cover-up". **Chief Losorelli**, and **Officer Pompa** acted unjustifiably and unlawfully during the incident and writing of the "Arrest report", while **Harold Fujita** and **Mr. Shull** and other Management of RAP seemed to be largely responsible for covering up the incident and therefore misleading the Commission. **Captain Patrick Joyce** was someone who likely did not seek out the opportunity to protect the Chief Ranger, but nevertheless, his failure to investigate my complaint apparently violated the Complaint process and should be addressed by the Commission.

The Incident:

Imagine the following;

You were minding the safer at home guidelines requested by City and County Health department and exit your house for a moment to go up the driveway to the trash cans and then about to get some bleach from your car, parked in the driveway. Then all of a sudden, because you came down your driveway after hearing a reckless driving maneuver, you find yourself arrested, handcuffed and surrounded by 5 Law Enforcement officers as if you were a Criminal. If you can, you likely will understand why I have spent so much time and energy on this issue, even well after my legal jeopardy ended.

Now please picture and think about this;

The Chief Ranger was traveling Northbound on Commonwealth on his way to the park, the 1st day the trails were closed in Griffith Park. He was about to go right through the stop sign at Commonwealth and Dundee Dr. (as he regularly did/does) and then notices some fliers he was familiar with that were against his friend, posted on a telephone pole. His first reaction is to instantly and suddenly swerve and stop recklessly in a residential neighborhood on the wrong side of the street with his large SUV, so he could be next to the Fliers to remove them! What kind of decision is that?

The Chief Ranger's motives from the outset were personal and had nothing to do with his Park Ranger duties or Public Safety and it was not even in the Park. The fact is, his reckless driving maneuver, having Law Enforcement back-up invade, block and takeover a small section of Los Feliz, and his unlawful and unnecessary handcuffing during a pandemic, actually created several safety issues for the neighborhood, myself and his fellow Law Enforcement officers, who were only there at his request. His callous attitude towards me and the neighborhood, should be of great concern to the commission. He gave no thought to the neighborhood, his only goal was to at first remove the fliers and then once he noticed me, to retaliate against me.

The Response by RAP Management, Harold Fujita and others.

I was notified of the Investigation that was to be conducted by Harold Fujita, by the President of the Commission on Feb 4th, of 2021, after my public comment on that morning. I had previously tried unsuccessfully to get a resolution with RAP management and was mis-led by Sophia Pina Cortez, who is a very nice person, but had to compromise her integrity to back up Losorelli, since he apparently was and is too cowardly to admit he made serious mistakes. Had the Chief Ranger had the fortitude and integrity to admit his conduct was not proper, many in the Rec and Parks Department would not have had to cover for him and become compromised like Mrs. Pina Cortez.

I assume, sometime in late Jan. or early Feb. of 2021, the Commission voted to have an investigation. Therefore, I would like to think, that at least 3 Commission Members, based on my Public Comments and other information I provided, thought it was necessary to conduct a "REAL" investigation for what I had alleged, presented and documented to the Commission.

If the intent of the Commission was to task Harold Fujita to conduct an objective and thorough investigation of the incident, it should be of great concern to the Commission that Mr. Fujita failed to accomplish that task. He ignored the evidence, was dishonest and failed to include any information from the eyewitness and even misled the Commission on why he did not get information or a statement from the eyewitness.

The fact that Mr. Fujita closed the investigation with no information from the eyewitness is indicative of his motives and what he knew he had to prevent from being included in the investigation in order to come up with his erroneous conclusion.

Not only did Harold Fujita conduct a sham investigation (which I would hope was not what was intended by the Commission), and therefore disregarded the “Will” of the Commission, but the results of his bogus investigation were used as an excuse by Captain Joyce to not investigate the Complaint that I filed. The Complaint was Filed to the Ranger Station with Captain Joyce in March of 2021 as advised by the CD4.

I would like to remind the Commission, this all started several years ago, when the often-hostile Gerald Baxter, while working at Roosevelt Golf Course went on a profanity laced tirade towards me, as he had done to others in the past. For that incident, after a couple of Public Comments by myself, General Manager Michael Shull wrote me and apology, however, Mr. Baxter and his supervisors were still defiant, in spite of the apology. I wonder, if Harold Fujita also played a role in protecting Mr. Baxter, at the detriment of fellow employees and golf patrons in other instances, or was it just his supervisors who protected him?

Alternatively, another possibility for the “Sham” investigation conducted by Harold Fujita could be the Commission voted for an Investigation, with the knowledge it would be a sham, if this is the case, the Commission is complicit in the cover-up and in actuality, had no interest determining whether Chief Ranger Joe Losorelli acted improperly or unlawfully during and after the incident. I assume, that is not the case. However, if it is true, that would truly be an alarming and disgraceful situation for the Residents of Los Angeles who use the Park System who expect the Commission to make tough decisions and have oversight of inappropriate behavior.

Since, I am unable to “See” the Commission’s expressions as I deliver my Public Comment (audio only) and since there are rather strict guidelines on the RAP Commission in dealing with the Public, I am not sure, which of the two scenarios is more accurate. I would like to think it was the first scenario, where the Commission really wanted to know what happened on March 23rd of 2020 and unfortunately the HR Department and the top management purposely defied the intent of the Commission.

What is factual and what is not about the incident.

The undisputed facts are;

* There were fliers posted on a telephone pole, with a message that was against a friend of the Chief Ranger.

*I was detained, investigated, arrested, cited, and handcuffed while I was on my own property during a deadly pandemic

* Chief Ranger Joe Losorelli's vehicle is parked facing the wrong direction on a residential street.

* There is video and picture evidence showing Losorelli at the telephone pole at the very beginning of the incident, while I am at the edge of my driveway observing him at a distance.

*The assault by the emotionally upset Chief Ranger (knocking my phone to the ground) and escalation of force by handcuffing me during the pandemic even though the video evidence shows, there was absolutely no need for it. The video evidence, clearly shows Officer Losorelli has no concern for me being a threat as he talks to LAPD and I wait and then angrily coming towards me and knocking the phone to the ground *immediately after*, I made disparaging comments about his friend. My disparaging remarks against his friend were also followed by my handcuffing.

*It is undisputed that there were 5 Law Enforcement Officers present during the detainment occupying the residential neighborhood as a result of Losorelli's decision to call for backup to help with his detainment and arrest. That unnecessary use of resources is clearly a violation of department policy.

*After being charged, I rejected an informal diversion from the City Attorney, and then the case and therefore the Citation was dismissed on or about June 10th of 2021 pursuant to section 1385 of the California Penal Code.

*A complaint was filed against Chief Losorelli with the L.A. County D.A.s office late last year, and not only was the complaint not rejected, as of my last communication I received on Jan 18th of 2022, the incident is under investigation. It appears Chief Joe Losorelli is under "Criminal Investigation" by the LA County D.A.s office.

The disputed facts include;

*Whether I was seen putting up the fliers as is stated in the Arrest Report or did the Chief Ranger recklessly swerve in a residential neighborhood solely to remove the fliers and then noticed me, after I came down to see what the reckless driving maneuver was all about. The latter has been stated by me on numerous documents under penalty of perjury and can be confirmed by the eyewitness, the video and pictures and the rest of the circumstantial evidence.

Evidence, such as the pictures and videos of him at the sign and me at a distance and the fact that I had no flier paraphernalia on me when searched provide substantial evidence that Officer Losorelli lied about seeing me put up the fliers. There is no evidence whatsoever to

corroborate Chief Officer Joe Losorelli's version. In fact, it would be ludicrous to think that he saw me put of the fliers and then I ran away and came back to engage the Chief Ranger.

It also would be pretty inconceivable, if officer Losorelli saw me from a block away, as is stated in the false Arrest Report by Officer Pompa, and then would not call for back-up at that time and not go after me immediately. Instead, the evidence shows, he stays in his car a few moments (likely documenting the fliers and their location) and then begins to tear down the fliers, shortly afterwards. There is video evidence, of him calling for back-up significantly after his arrival just after he sees me for the 1st time as he is feverishly is tearing down the fliers against his friend.

It should be obvious by now to the Commission, that Losorelli and the RAP Management abused their power and misled the Commission, however, if there are still any members of the Commission who do not believe the incident began when Chief Ranger Joe Losorelli swerved and stop suddenly to remove fliers that were already posted and that I was nowhere near them (HE OBSERVED NO CRIME), I hope the following will be considered by them.

*In addition to the pictures, the video, the witness and the circumstantial evidence, there are many other aspects that make Officer Losorelli's version unbelievable thus making him a liar.

*Why haven't I been charged with slander or libel with all the statements, both written and spoken, I have made against the Chief Ranger? Surely, if I was not telling the truth, there would be consequences for my continued efforts to hold Chief Ranger Losorelli accountable for his actions. If he arrested me for allegedly placing Flier on a telephone pole, It is unlikely he would let me slander and libel him with no consequences.

*Why did the City Attorney offer me an Informal diversion after the case was filed and "Discovery" occurred?

*Why did I reject that offer and a previous offer of a Formal Diversion?

*Why did the City Attorney suddenly dismiss the case pursuant to 1385?

*Why did the Attorney handling my complaint with the LA County D.A.s office tell me that an investigator would contact me for further details about the incident, instead of rejecting the complaint?

*Why have I spent hundreds of hours preparing documents, preparing and giving Public Comments and filing legal complaints and claims on this matter?

The following is something for the Commission to consider:

How can the Commission Members trust the Chief Ranger and the RAP Management on other matters, knowing they flat out lied on this one?

Conclusion:

At any time, had the Rec and Parks Management, the Commission, or the Rangers, recognized that the incident could have been handled better, the matter would have been over. Instead, the Rec and Park Management and the dishonest and apparently “Cowardly” Chief Ranger doubled down on the cover-up, forcing me to try my best to expose the incident and the reckless, unjustifiable, and unlawful behavior by Chief Ranger Joe Losorelli.

It is obvious based on the incident of March 23rd of 2020 and the cover-up, that Chief Ranger Losorelli does not have the emotional stability or the honesty and integrity to be a Law Enforcement Officer, much less the leader of a department.

Thank you again

Sincerely,

Jerome Puttler



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Review and RAP management cover-up

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Thu, Mar 31, 2022 at 2:23 PM

To:

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Thu, Mar 31, 2022 at 2:03 PM wrote:
Good afternoon

I have **attached** a document entitled "**RAP Commission-Mis-led**" to help the Commission understand the roll that the RAP Management has played in covering up and protecting the misconduct of the Chief Ranger that occurred on March 23rd, of 2020.

I have also **attached** a picture that was taken from my phone, as I was observing the Ranger tearing down the "Fliers." This was the first moment that the Chief Ranger saw me and taken with the rest of the evidence provides over whelming evidence that I was not at the sign when the Chief Ranger swerved and stopped suddenly on the wrong side of the street to remove the fliers, there I was not observed posting the already posted fliers.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Jerome Puttler

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Good morning/afternoon, Distinguished Commission Members

Slightly more than two years has elapsed since the Incident of March 23, 2020.

Review of the facts, and Cover-up summary:

The following is a quick review of the facts as supported by the evidence and the eyewitness.

1. Chief Ranger Losorelli swerved and stopped suddenly on the wrong side of the street in a residential neighborhood solely to remove a flier.
2. After coming down the driveway to see what I had just heard, the Chief Ranger observed me as he was tearing down the fliers, and then began to use his authority as a Law Enforcement officer to detain and investigate me.
3. Having immediately prioritized the detaining and investigating of me, he called for back-up and with-in about 10 minutes, he had 5 Law Enforcement Officers invade and occupy a neighborhood to deal with a resident who he had not observed any crime. This use of resources is truly mind boggling considering the nature of the alleged violation (posting a flier). The Chief Ranger definitely violated the Ranger policy for use of resources as described in the Manual so that he could carry out his personal agenda.
4. He assaulted me, by knocking the phone out of my hands to the ground after I made comments to passersby about his friend as I was waiting on my property. This is clearly shown in the video evidence.
5. He handcuffed a cooperating, non-threatening resident on his own property during a pandemic in retaliation for the comments made against his friend.
6. He arrested and had cited an individual who was not observed committing any crime.
7. He was involved in a False Arrest Report.
8. He has allowed numerous Rec and Park Employees to be compromised to help cover-up his misconduct.

Chief Losorelli and the Rec and Park Management under General Manager Mike Shull had several opportunities to acknowledge the misconduct, resolve the situation, and move on. Unfortunately, they have taken the opposite route and have attempted to justify and or cover-up the misconduct. It appears, there has been considerable disinformation from RAP

Management to the RAP Commission, to the CD4 and the City Attorney's Office. Now, the same disinformation maybe being passed on to the L.A. County D.A.s office. Additionally, *the RAP Department failed to properly investigate the incident on two different occasions.*

This inappropriate response by the RAP Management had allowed the incident to linger in the Criminal Justice system for about 15 months, and also served to prolong and energize my response. Then, when the case was dismissed by the City Attorney, pursuant to 1385 of CA P.C., "In the interest of Justice," it provided further validity to the fact that the Chief Ranger's actions were unjustifiable.

Additionally, the ongoing review of the complaint I filed with the L.A. County D.A.s Office in September of 2021 and the investigation, should be a very disconcerting development for the distinguished Commission to have to deal with.

The Commission and RAP Management

The distinguished Commission appointed by the Mayor and the City Council are all distinguished members of their communities and have contributed positively in many ways to their communities and society as a whole. Additionally, the Commission is made up individuals who are knowledgeable and have expertise in a variety of disciplines that allow the Commission to make informed decisions on the wide range of complex issues that come before them. The Commission also appears to be composed of empathetic individuals who are committed to making the best possible decisions in their oversight of the Los Angeles Recreation and Parks System.

On most of the issues, I assume the RAP Management and the RAP Commission work together to achieve the goal of doing what is best for the Rec and Parks Department and the residents of Los Angeles. However, on the issue involving the incident of March 23, 2020, it appears the Commission's objective of determining what happened on that day, is not consistent with the goal of the Management, led by Mr. Shull. ***I assume that when the Commission requested or ordered an investigation, they expected an honest and thorough investigation.*** Unfortunately, Mr. Fujita chose a very different type of investigation, which was biased, incomplete, and misleading.

I am certain, the Commission members in addition to being accomplished, are intelligent enough to realize that the version that Officer Losorelli put forth as written in the arrest report by Officer Pompa is false. The evidence shows, I was nowhere near the already posted fliers when Chief Losorelli arrived in his reckless manner. ***If the Chief Ranger continues to claim that he observed me posting the fliers, then he is essentially lying to the Commission.***

There is no corroborating evidence to support the claim that “I was observed posting the fliers” and overwhelming evidence to the contrary. The false narrative was created by the Chief Ranger to try to justify his unjustifiable and unlawful mis-conduct, and in an attempt to convict me of a crime he did not or could not, have observed on that day.

This must be difficult for issue for the Commission, because unfortunately the Commission has to grapple with these alarming facts:

*The incident began when the Chief Ranger of Los Angeles Recreation and Parks, Joe Losorelli, recklessly swerved and stopped suddenly on the wrong side of street, in a residential neighborhood to remove some fliers that were ALREADY POSTED.

*The fliers were “Personal” to him and apparently angered him so much, he ended up assaulting, arresting and handcuffing a cooperating resident on his property (during a pandemic) even though he did not observe a crime. In the process he wasted resources and invaded a residential neighborhood for about ½ hour, so he could retaliate against the resident.

* The Chief Ranger apparently continues to lie to the Commission and elsewhere, and allow others to be compromised in order to protect him from his actions.

*The RAP Management has misled the RAP Commission and apparently gone against the will of the RAP Commission by not conducting an unbiased and thorough investigation.

Throughout the entire saga, starting with the Golf Supervisors protecting an often-hostile employee Gerald Baxter, the pattern of protecting problematic employees, should be of great concern to the Commission. I am not sure what possible remedies there are, but hopefully, the Commission realizes that under certain circumstances the top Management and the top leadership in the Ranger Department cannot be counted on to be honest or even fulfill the intent of the Commission.

The Meeting of March 17th 2022

After my public comment on March 17th, of 2022, I listened to the rest of the meeting and it appears Michael Shull, tried to defend the RAP Management's handling of the "Losorelli" situation. This occurred, when it came to the part of the meeting pertaining to the "**Matters that have come to the Boards Attention.**"

Matters that Come to the attention of the Board of March 17th and Mr. Shull's Response

I believe Mr. Shull mentioned in his brief and vague defense to the Commission, that the "**Process**" had been followed and the "**Supervisorial chain of command**" was also appropriate. I am not sure whether he was referring to Harold Fujita's investigation, which was apparently requested by the Commission. or the Complaint, I filed against the Chief Ranger to Captain Joyce or both, but once again Mr. Shull appears to be misleading the distinguished Commission.

The Process

Unfortunately, I was not informed of what the process should be like, but I do know, **the Investigation part of the process by Mr. Fujita, was unprofessional, incomplete, biased and the Commission was misled by its vague and dishonest conclusion.**

In my response to his 1st email he sent me on Feb 5th, I asked him a few questions about the process. Unfortunately, his response was rude and Mr. Fujita failed to answer the most basic questions about the process that I felt I should be aware of. *The process, Mr. Shull alludes to, might or might not be legitimate, however, the investigation was not.*

Additionally, Mr. Fujita appeared to be dishonest in the e-mail, when he mentioned the investigation was a continuation of an investigation that Sophia Pina Cortez had initiated, even though more than ½ year had passed since Ms. Pina Cortez had told me she sent it to the HR. No one from HR contacted me until after my 4th Public Comment in the issue on Feb 4th of 2021.

Conveniently, **Mr. Fujita created a scenario where he was able to close the investigation without any input from the eyewitness.** There were many ways that information could have been gathered from the eyewitness, but Mr. Fujita, who had to know that the Eyewitness information would have been extremely damaging to Chief Losorelli, made sure it was not gathered or included.

Does it concern the Commission that there was no information from the Eyewitness in the investigation they requested?

Does the Commission really think that Harold Fujita was diligent and conducted a thorough and unbiased investigation?

Chain of Command and Ranger Complaint

I think Mr. Shull also mentioned something about the proper **Supervisory “Chain of command”** being followed in his comments to the Commission. Is he referring to the Complaint filed at the Ranger Station? I am not sure why he mentioned that aspect, but ignored the fact the Complaint was not investigated. My concern was not “Who” was in charge of the Complaint I filed with the Ranger Station, as I was advised to do, by the CD4. Instead, ***my main concern is the fact that the Complaint was apparently rejected and not investigated at all. It appears, not investigating the Complaint by Captain Joyce violated Department and City Policy.***

Was the Complaint even logged into the Public Record by Captain Joyce? If not, that is another violation from an individual who has been put into a compromising position by the Chief Ranger’s unwillingness to take responsibility for his actions.

On March 17th, I was not recognized to speak on the motion of renewing the “Virtual” vs. “In person” meeting motion before the Committee.

*I raised my hand (*9), so that I might address the Commission on the motion to continue to have the meeting telephonically due to the pandemic. **Unfortunately, I was not recognized to give public comment on that specific issue.**

*My comment would have been focused on the motion, but I was not given the opportunity

Often it doesn’t matter, but in my case it does, me not being able to see the facial expressions and more as I give my PC does not allow me to gage whether the Commission is at all receptive or dismissive of my public comment. From what I know about the Commission, I assume they are listening and concerned about the Comment I have given, however seeing the Commission would be highly beneficial to allow me to know with more certainty.

*Hopefully it was not intentional and, in the future, I will be recognized anytime I raise my hand to comment.

The Commission can see some of the evidence for themselves including the assault and the moments before the unnecessary handcuffing.

*I have already provided pictures as attachments that provide evidence, that I was nowhere near the sign as the Chief Ranger arrived, but I will attach it again.

*Additionally, the Commission can go to my You Tube Channel to see video that shows me cooperating, the assault, and how Losorelli reacted to comments to passersby, that I made.

You Tube channel search “Master biojoy”

[master biojoy - YouTube](#)

*In the video titled “**Ranger misconduct! 36 sec Passersby it’s true...**”, which is actually 39 seconds, you can see Officer Losorelli being non cholent as he talks to LAPD as I wait for the investigation on my lawn. Even when I call out to the passersby, the Chief ranger has no concern, however, as soon as I mention the Golf Supervisor, he can be seen suddenly turning around and comes towards me at the end of the clip.

*Then in the 10 to 11 second video titled, “**10 sec phone knock down...**”, which is time stamped seconds later, the Chief Ranger having come over to me, assaults me, by knocking the phone to the ground.

Not seen is me being handcuffed a minute or so later even though I continued to cooperate after the assault.

There is evidence on my phone, that I cooperated, even after the assault and I was no longer able to record video the incident. For the next few seconds, I picked up my phone and tried unsuccessfully to set up an audio, and those attempts are recorded on my phone.

Then the Chief Ranger called me over to where his vehicle was parked and I cooperated and asked me turn around, and then he handcuffed me. **The Chief Ranger chose to handcuff me during a deadly pandemic, because I made a disparaging remark about his friend.** *His emotional response and willingness to blatantly ignore the Law and lack of concern for the health risks, should be of great concern to the Commission.*

The videos clearly show both the assault and the handcuffing were a direct response from Losorelli to my comments about the Golf Supervisor” to the passersby and had no “Lawful” purpose.

Conclusion

I would like to thank the distinguished Commission for the apparent concern for this incident, throughout. It appears the Commission had enough concern that it requested to have an Investigation. Unfortunately, the RAP Management, had a different agenda and as they have from the day of the incident, chose to protect and cover-up the unjustifiable and unlawful misconduct of the Chief Ranger of March 23, of 2020.

I do not know if the DA will actually indict the Chief Ranger, but these are very sad and troubling times for the Ranger Department and for the RAP top Management, who not only apparently condone unlawful behavior by the Chief Ranger, but is willing to violate policy and mislead the Commission in order to protect him.

The residents of Los Angeles and the users of the Los Angeles Recreation and Parks system deserve to have a RAP Management who serve the public and not be so willing to protect employees from being held accountable for their misconduct. It is unfortunate that integrity and honesty have been truly lacking in both the Chief Ranger and the RAP Management throughout the entire saga.

Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

Jerome Puttler

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“Master biolojay” on You Tube



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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Nina Saemundsson's Prometheus Vandalism in MacArthur Park- Request for restoration

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 1:05 PM

To: Elizabeth Lovins <

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Cc: "RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org" <RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org>, Brett Cody Rogers <brettcodyrogers@gmail.com>

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 4:26 PM Elizabeth Lovins <

> wrote:

Dear Commissioners,

Hope you are having a nice day!

I wanted to forward some photos that my colleague, artist Brett Cody Rogers, took, of Nina Saemundssons' *Prometheus*, in MacArthur Park.

We've been exploring her work more over the past five years here in Los Angeles, and connecting with the curator and filmmaker on her work in Iceland, as well as the Icelandic Consulate. Nina was also a teacher and artist at my family's art school in the 1930s-50s.

Brett was in the park photographing and someone told him that he saw a person pouring a bucket of purple paint over the statue and painting the base. It's tragic to see her work in this condition. And these are the photographs he recently took last week of the work.

Is Parks and Rec, already aware of this? And if so, is there a restoration plan for this work already? And I'm guessing the original sphere was stolen years ago?

And also, Nina's work in Leif Erikson sculpture Griffith Park at the entrance of Ferndell is sadly, unattributed, like the rest of the artists in Griffith Park, who've installed public art work. Anything to be done to properly title all the artists work, like for the Berlin Bear (female artist), the six artists who sculpted the *Astronomer's Monument*, for the artist who sculpted the James Dean statue and for Doug Hyde's *Tribal Gathering* sculpture, featuring five women from various tribes (title and artist are not attributed).

Thanks again and kindly let me know if there is a plan to restore the *Prometheus* public art work and if all the artists can be properly attributed for their original works installed throughout Griffith Park.

Kind regards,

Elizabeth

Original *Prometheus* photographs, circa 1930s

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March 2022 photos of *Prometheus* by artist Brett Cody Rogers



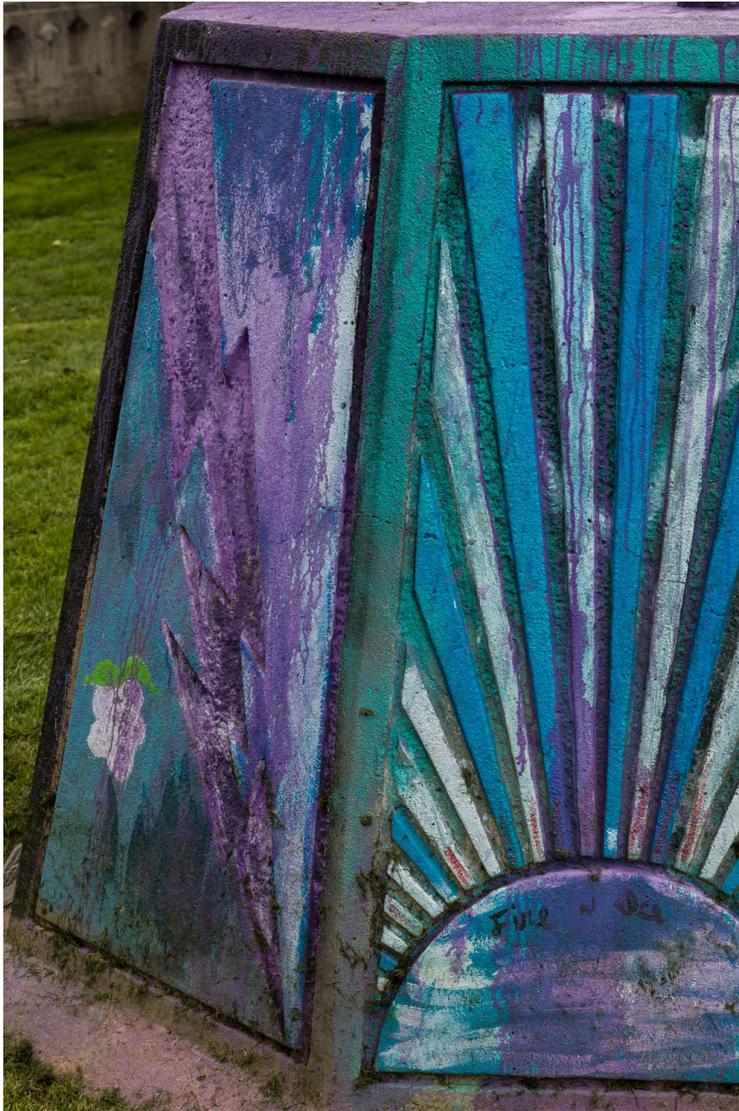


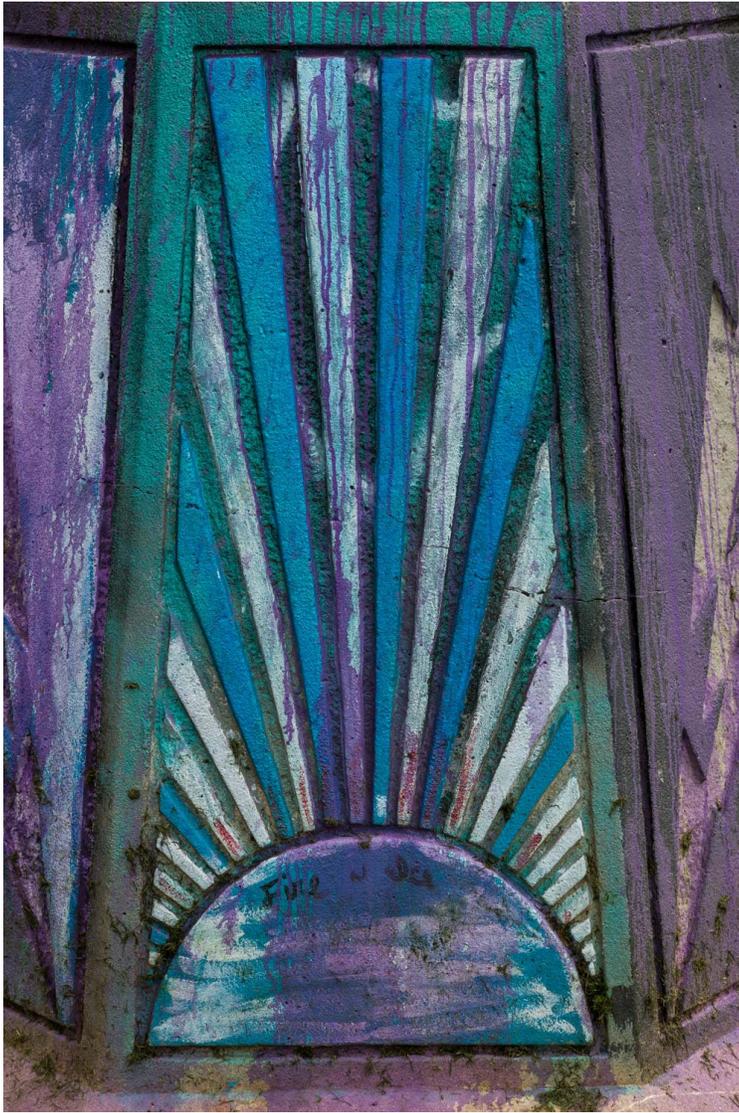


















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Re: Sue Pascoe Article Re Nighttime Bocce Lighting

1 message

Jennifer Massey

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Tue, Mar 15, 2022 at 7:34 PM

To: Sonya Young-Jimenez <sonya.young-jimenez@lacity.org>, Kortley Norris <kortley.norris@lacity.org>, Ejjah Cooper <Ejjah.Cooper@lacity.org>, Joel Alvarez <joel.alvarez@lacity.org>, michael.a.shull@lacity.org
Cc: Sue Pascoe < >, Joe Halper < >, Laura Island <laura.island@lacity.org>, Matthew Rudnick <matthew.rudnick@lacity.org>, Rose Watson <rose.watson@lacity.org>, Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Sonya, Kortley and Michael,

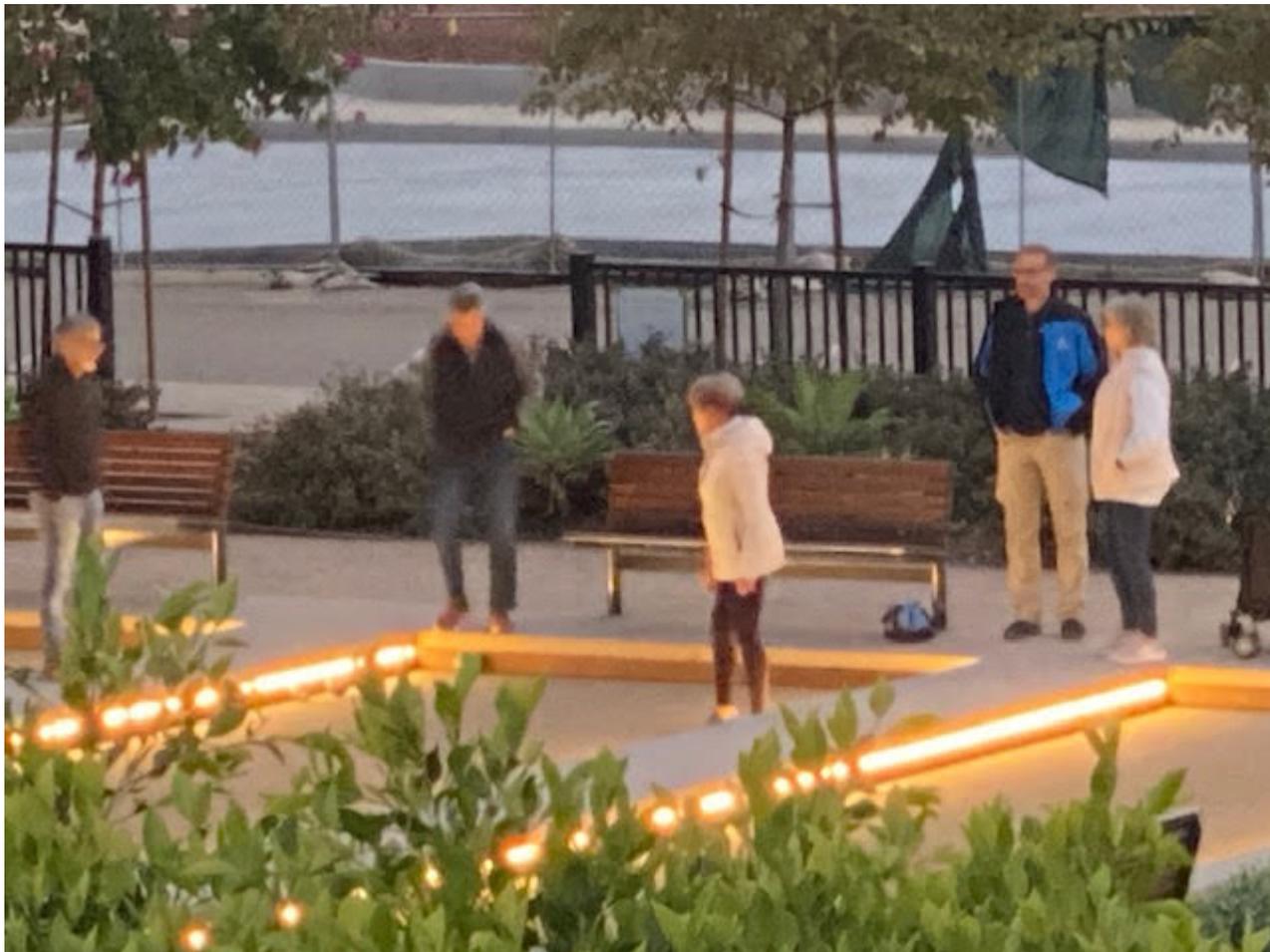
There are players all over the courts tonight, playing in the dark and despite it being well past sunset, in violation of rules.

This has been going on for months, and RAP refuses to post signs with rules restricting play past sunset.

Despite the assurances received by Sonya (emails below), the lights continue to be used for play, and according to the attending RAP employee (Michelle) tonight, the league begins nighttime play this Thursday?

We will pursue every avenue until this gets stopped.







Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 11, 2021, at 9:04 AM, Sonya Young-Jimenez <sonya.young-jimenez@lacity.org> wrote:

yes we will ensure they are off at sunset. I will talk with Eajah and the park staff. Thank you
Sorry I was unable to make the meeting. I have not been feeling well and went to urgent care last night. I will definitely be at the next meeting.

On Wed, Nov 10, 2021 at 7:54 PM Jennifer Massey < > wrote:

Sonya,
Please verify these lights will be shut off at sunset, as has been agreed since the inception of this project. Sunset is now 4:50 PM.

Tonight, we heard Eajah Cooper say to the entire board on the Park Advisory Board call that there have been "no complaints regarding lighting" in the park. This was incredible for neighbors to hear, as we have logged multiple calls and emails regarding this issue and she is well aware of all of the problems.

Best,
Jennifer

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 5, 2021, at 11:49 AM, Sonya Young-Jimenez <sonya.young-jimenez@lacity.org> wrote:

I will look into it. Possibly people know how to turn them on since they are not secured yet. I'll follow up today with construction to verify when this can be completed.



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Sue Pascoe Article Re Nighttime Bocce Lighting

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Thu, Mar 17, 2022 at 11:34 AM

To: Jennifer Massey <jmassey@lacity.org>

Cc: PascoePaliNews <pascoepalinews@lacity.org>

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Island <laura.island@lacity.org>, Matthew Rudnick <matthew.rudnick@lacity.org>, Rose Watson <rose.watson@lacity.org>

Good morning,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 7:45 AM Jennifer Massey <jmassey@lacity.org>

> wrote:

Sue,

We dealt with the lighting and noise issue all winter, when sunset was at 4:30, and players were still outside at 9 PM, as you acknowledged in your emails below from October and November. The issue is one of enforcement, and bocce players who are apparently exempt from park rules. We have been told by RAP since 2019 that bocce play rules would be promulgated and enforced, and to date, it continues to be a free for all, leaving the neighbors with an ongoing nuisance. Have you ever seen a sports complex, particularly one that backs up to a residential area, with no signage listing rules and regulations? Bocce players continue to have permits issued despite repeated and knowing violations of park rules.

Perhaps you could also appeal to the bocce organizers for trees and play equipment m, given they removed existing trees and a large open green space where children once ran and played, and replaced it with decomposed granite, hard surface courts, and 8 charcoal grills on concrete pads, that must sit idle most of the year due to our park's restrictive fire zoning.

The large eucalyptus that was just removed in VG, and the remaining trunk that will now require removal, were damaged by the construction of Veterans Gardens. The trees' root zones were not protected with fencing as required by the park's own forestry protocols, resulting in root damage and now fungus. Our arborist predicted this would happen in 2019 before construction began and we sent this report to RAP. You see the result.



Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 16, 2022, at 6:46 AM, PascoePaliNews < > wrote:

Sunset last night was at 7:03 and will only get later as daylight increases. I would prefer to keep writing about the need for a new playground. This one is about 35 years old—
And new trees and lighting are needed by the tennis courts.

Thanks

Sue Pascoe
Editor
Circling The News

On Mar 15, 2022, at 7:38 PM, Jennifer Massey < > wrote:

PS—Sonya's email below noted that signs were being constructed regarding hours of play in November, over 4 months ago. There are still no signs posted, for reasons unknown, and apparently much confusion regarding the issue of permitting play past sunset.

Sue, can you please write an article so that perhaps RAP will finally respond on this issue?

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 15, 2022, at 7:34 PM, Jennifer Massey < > wrote:

Sonya, Kortley and Michael,
There are players all over the courts tonight, playing in the dark and despite it being well past sunset, in violation of rules. This has been going on for months, and RAP refuses to post signs with rules



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: GOLF

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Mon, Mar 21, 2022 at 3:22 PM

To: alex shin <

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners and staff. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Wed, Mar 16, 2022 at 10:31 PM alex shin < > wrote:

I have a golf membership. However, you cannot reserve a tee time. From early morning to around 3pm, reservations are all made within just one minute of the reservation start time. It doesn't make sense And there are people who make reservations through someone else for \$10 per person. Someone makes a reservation in advance and sells tee time while receiving money. Please do a thorough investigation. If this doesn't work, I'll contact you elsewhere. I used a translator. If you want more details, I'll send you an email again, but I'd like someone who speaks Korean.

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ALEX SHIN



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Re: Bikes and Hikes LA Demands

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 9:45 AM
To: Christine OBrien < >
Cc: JEREMIAH CHRISTOPHER < >, Helene Rotolo <helene.rotolo@lacity.org>

Good morning,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Sat, Mar 19, 2022 at 9:40 AM Christine OBrien < > wrote:
These for profit tours are generally prohibited in the park unless they have clearance from RAP. Please advise why they are allowed and what measures will be taken to secure public safety for the DWP workers and the residents. Should we consult OSHA on this matter if the city is unwilling to understand the safety issue? Please advise.
Thank you
Christine

Sent from my iPad

> On Mar 19, 2022, at 9:07 AM, JEREMIAH CHRISTOPHER <j > wrote:
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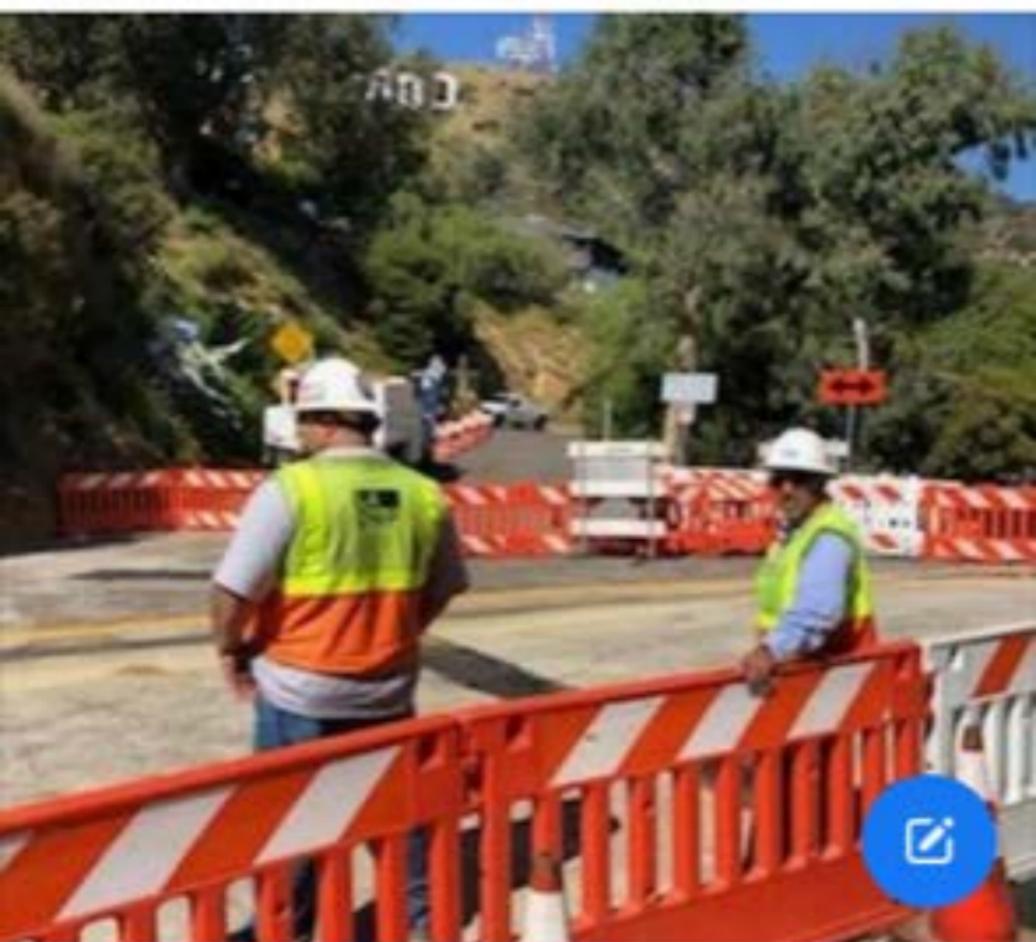
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Jeremiah Christopher shared a post.

Admin 33m ·

'Bikes and Hikes LA Tours' is an extremely aggressive, obnoxiously LOUD, disrespectful tour company, that has no concern for the neighborhood. They just want to make their cash \$\$ and tourists happy. I have witnessed them harassing the LADWP employees, as well as LADOT employees, to allow them to jaywalk, north, up lower Mulholland Hwy, to LedgeWood, through the LADWP construction sight. They refuse to listen to LADWP or LADOT officials, when they have been asked to divert their tour routes. They start on the Innsdale trail in Lake Hollywood Estates, walk up the trail to 6161 Mulholland Hwy, then head north on Mulholland Hwy to get to Deronda and so on.. Here is their Instagram post, demanding ALL ACCESS to walk/hike whichever route they want, to view the Hollywood Sign.



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bikesandhikesla It's disappointing that an incredibly popular walking and hiking trail to the the Hollywood Sign is completely closed off to the thousands of weekly hikers who use the path for exercise, dog walks, to earn a living, and for mental health. Please, we're begging that the @cityoflosangeles and @ladwp1 do their much needed work while still allowing pedestrian access as we only need a few feet to get through on foot. @mayorofla @ericgarcetti @cd4losangeles @nithyaforthecity @friendsofgriffithpark @lacityparkrangers @labureauengineering @bsslosangeles @alltrails @modernhiker

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jeremiahc There are numerous routes to the Hollywood Sign. Because of this work, you are being asked to detour your route, and this is unacceptable to you? Access to the view of your precious, lifesaving sign, isn't 'COMPLETELY CLOSED OFF' to the 'THOUSANDS'. There are a multitude of DETOUR ROUTES you should 'pivot' and utilize, like every other pedestrian, resident, or tourist is being asked to use during the LADWP construction project at Mulholland Hwy and Ledgewood Drive. JAYWALKING down Mulholland Hwy is not HIKING. Nor is it some kind of 'MENTLE HEALTH' necessity for locals or tourists lives. Try to be a little more respectful of the @ladwp1 @cd4losangeles @lacityparkrangers @labureauengineering who simply DOING THEIR JOBS, in an extremely tight area of Hollywoodland.

4m Reply 

alexgettlin Oh no!! 😞 👤

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: dog care area at Spring St Park

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Levi Zollinger <

Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 9:36 AM

Good morning,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. Please note you may also use the 311 app to quickly and easily request City services: <https://www.lacity.org/311-services> Thank you.

On Fri, Mar 18, 2022 at 11:52 AM Levi Zollinger < > wrote:
Hello,

The dog care area at rear of Spring St Park needs to be taken care of. Right as you enter the gate there is a 5-6 inch drop from erosion that is dangerous to humans. A person could sprain or break their ankle and R&P would be liable. There is also a lot of sand missing from area and lots of ruts. Since the grass is roped off all the people who didnt pick up their dogs waste on grass leave it in area and somebody has swept waste and sand into corner by equipment box. There really needs to be some work done on it.

On Mon, Feb 7, 2022, 3:05 PM Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> wrote:
Good afternoon,

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On Mon, Feb 7, 2022 at 8:17 AM Levi Zollinger < > wrote:
Hello,

Again this morning someone who lives in El Dorado building has put a chain across the seating area adjacent to sidewalk. Asked the park maintenance workers if they did it and they said no. R&P needs to speak with this person to stop acting as this is official and interfering with park operations. He acts as if he has some sort of authority over entire park.

On Mon, Dec 6, 2021, 2:06 PM Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners.

If you have any further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Mon, Dec 6, 2021 at 11:55 AM Levi Zollinger < > wrote:
Hello,

There seems to be an individual in the El Dorado building next door who thinks he can make his own rules and deny access to people by saying part of the park is actually his private property and roping it off. This is the seating crescent on north side of park outside of the park fencing. I hope you remove the chain, please.

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Runyon Canyon / Facilities

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 8:56 AM

To: Paul Moore <>

Cc: TeamCD4 <contactCD4@lacity.org>

Good morning,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 5:49 PM Paul Moore <> wrote:

Hello RAP Commissioners,

There has been no movement on the bathrooms or the parking lot. Can we please get your support in adding a bathroom and opening the only parking lot which was originally closed due to COVID and mysteriously has remained closed.

Runyon Canyon remains to be one of the most visited parks in LA, receiving almost 2 million visitors a year. There is not one bathroom, and now not one parking spot.

Just like me, I trust that you are in support of increasing accessibility for everyone to enjoy this park.

Thank you,

Paul Moore
LA City Resident)

On Mon, Jun 14, 2021 at 9:50 AM Paul Moore <> wrote:

Dear Rec and Park Commissioners,

Runyon Canyon has no park bathrooms and park-goers are forced to defecate in the park.

Runyon Canyon has once again made the Top Southern California Destinations to Visit that are Actually Open in 2021 list in 2021: <https://signalscv.com/2021/06/top-southern-california-destinations-to-visit-that-are-actually-open-in-2021/>

In summary:

1. Santa Monica Pier
2. Runyon Canyon Park
3. Universal Studios Hollywood
4. Knott's Berry Farm
5. Disneyland Park

According to the most recent commissioned survey, Runyon Canyon gets close to 2 million visitors a year.

Runyon Canyon has no park bathrooms and park-goers are forced to defecate in the park. The public has taken it upon themselves to share best places to defecate by creating various websites. For example: <https://www.thrillist.com/lifestyle/los-angeles/runyon-canyon-where-to-go-to-the-bathroom>

In addition, the ONLY parking lot Runyon Canyon was closed for covid and has remained closed. All other city parking lots have opened.

I urge the Commission to investigate and solve the matters above by:

- **Provide funding for adequate facilities and a bathroom for park goers**
- **Re-Open the only parking lot**

These will make the park safer, healthier, and equitable for all to enjoy this beautiful resource the City of Los Angeles offers.

Paul Moore
Los Angeles City Resident

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Re: Requesting to re-open the Runyon Canyon parking lot

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Mar 30, 2022 at 10:13 AM

To: Alex Stern <

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Cc: Anna Stern <

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Good morning,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Thu, Mar 24, 2022 at 4:56 PM Alex Stern <

> wrote:

Hello,

My name is Alex Stern and I wanted to introduce myself as well as share that I and many others are respectfully requesting to have the parking lot at the top of Runyon Canyon re-opened immediately.

I understand the lot was demanded to be closed by some of the home owners that live nearby and in 2020 the Parks Department decided to comply. Since then it has been very difficult for Angelinos and visitors to recreate safely and easily at Runyon Canyon. We also feel that it is a massive waste of public land to keep this lot shut down and empty.

We went ahead and started a Change.org petition to show many others wish to have access to the lot again as well. Please take a look and let me know if you have any questions or if there's anything else we can do to restore access to this lot.

<https://www.change.org/p/los-angeles-cd4-councilmember-raman-open-the-runyon-canyon-mulholland-parking-lot>

Thank you,
Alex Stern

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Re: Meeting Request

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Zohra Fahim >

Tue, Mar 22, 2022 at 8:12 AM

Good morning,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Fri, Mar 18, 2022 at 10:00 AM Zohra Fahim < > wrote:

Dear Commissioner Bayne and Commissioner Chase,

I would like to schedule a meeting with the both of you to discuss the Griffith Park and Pony Ride issue.

I feel it is important for you to be aware where the concerns for the animals at this park have arised.

I thank you for your valuable time.

Zohra Fahim

Founder and President of Los Angeles Alliance for Animals

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MOTION

I MOVE that the Council Action of March 8, 2022 directing the Recreation and Parks Department, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, and any other departments, as needed, to hire a consultant to assist in the development of a ballot measure to provide funding for the purposes identified in the "Parks Condition Assessment Report" and Executive Directive 31, "Achieving Park Equity" (CF 21-1462), **BE AMENDED** to adopt the following fund appropriation/transfer instructions to enable the hiring of said consultant:

1. Appropriate / Transfer \$250,000 from the "Recreation and Parks Assessment" line item in the Unappropriated Balance Fund No. 100-58 (Account No. 580332) to the Recreation and Parks Fund No. 302-88, Contractual Services (Account No. 003040).
2. Authorize the City Administrative Officer to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

PRESENTED BY: Joe Buscaino
JOE BUSCAINO
Councilmember, 15th District

SECONDED BY: D. Hays Bauer

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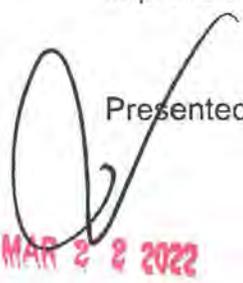
In 2028, the City will host the 2028 Summer Olympics and Paralympics Games ("The Games"). In efforts to make sports more accessible and affordable to children across the City, the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) launched the PlayLA youth sports program in November 2021, a one of a kind, free to low cost subsidized youth initiative. PlayLA is made possible through a \$160,000,000 contribution from the LA28 Olympic and Paralympic Games Organizing Committee and the International Olympic Committee (IOC). The City will have discretion on how to use these funds to promote access to adaptive and non adaptive sports, clinics and classes. Although The Games are years away, the City is focused on delivering services and programming for Angelenos today.

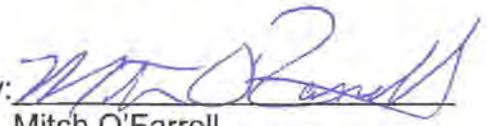
The adaptive sports program represents a key component of the PlayLA program, ensuring every child aged 5 to 17 years an opportunity to participate in low-cost, or no-cost, quality sports programming in their neighborhood. The City's Department on Disability houses the citywide ADA Compliance Officer, and will play a key role, assisting the RAP in developing its citywide adaptive sports programs..

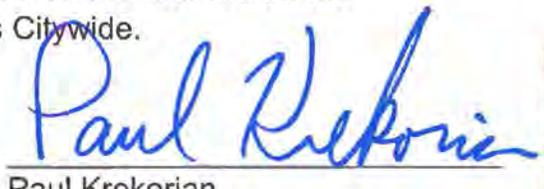
In the program year of 2022-23, RAP's current Adaptive Sports Division will offer 10 sports for youth with physical disabilities including: sitting volleyball, para equestrian, adaptive swimming, para surfing, wheelchair basketball, adaptive skateboarding, goalball, adaptive athletics, wheelchair tennis and para canoe. Additionally, five sports are being considered for future inclusion including judo, archery, boccia, tee ball, and climbing. The City should work to increase adaptive sports access and service availability citywide, while also identifying opportunities to expand physical access of sports and recreation programs at these, and all sites and facilities. The City should also focus on expanding access to adaptive sports and services to a greater population including transitional age youth and adults.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Recreation and Parks, with the assistance of the Department on Disability, develop a citywide adaptive sports program, including recommendations for physical accessibility infrastructure improvements to its existing or emerging facilities, with a focus on the expansion of services to transitional age youth (18 - 24), adults, and older adults, including equipment, staffing, training or other particular needs.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Department on Disability, work with adaptive sports and accessibility advocate partners locally and throughout the nation, and to report to Council with recommendations on the improvement of service delivery for Adaptive Sports Citywide.


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Presented By: 
Mitch O'Farrell
Councilmember, 13th District


Paul Krekorian
Councilmember, 2nd District

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Seconded By: 



Re: CPRA No. 1038 - Re: Potrero Canyon Park Irrigation

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

To:

Good morning,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 1:03 PM · All, > wrote:

I am sorry, but this letter says "the plans are consistent with the requirements of Coastal Development Permit (CDP) No. 5- 91-286, the Final Potrero Canyon Riparian Mitigation Proposal, prepared by ERCE, dated August 1991, and subsequent amendments" which is false. Material Amendment dated 8/6/20014, application n If the plans have in ground, permanent irrigation systems then they are NOT consistent with the requirements of the Coastal permits and subsequent amendments. Just because someone writes that plans are consistent, it doesn't actually make them consistent. Just because Pedro Garcia prepared a false report saying there were no changes to the 1985 EIR allowing the Friends Street Entrance, doesn't make that true! The 1985 EIR never mentioned a Friends Street entrance, only the If the maps you just sent me the approved landscaping plans, then a Friends Street entrance is NOT approved. It is your responsibility to check and make sure these reports are absolutely true! My neighbors and I have proved to you that they are false but you continue to send us only the final letters of approval which have F. Also on the map you just sent me, it has 2 areas that are labeled "RIPARIAN WOODLAND PROTECTION AREA WITH NATIVE WILLOW SPECIES." One "protection area" on 15214 Earham has been removed completely and now has a house on it and the other "protected area" now has one single tree. See photos:









Are you able to explain all of this, including the false statements?

Thank you,

Brooke

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 10, 2022, at 9:02 AM, Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> wrote:

Good morning,

Our apologies, please note that we needed more time to search for responsive records to your request (an additional 14 days due today March 10th). Please see the attached deemed responsive to your request.

On Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 10:20 AM Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> wrote:

Good morning,

The Department of Recreation and Parks is in receipt of your California Public Records Act (CPRA) request on February 14, 2022 for:

"On a California Coastal Commission Staff Report: Material Amendment dated 8/6/20014, application number 5-91-286-A11, on page 30, it says "No permanent in ground irrigations shall be installed on site. Temporary above ground irrigation is allowed to establish plantings." They dredged and installed permanent irrigation systems all over the canyon and have been running the sprinklers daily. Some canyon residents were told they weren't allowed to water their back yards due to the instability of the hillside.

Will you please send me the amendment where the Coastal Commission approved permanent underground irrigation systems all over the canyon?"

You can expect a response to this request on or before **February 24, 2022**. Please reply to this email if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

On Mon, Feb 14, 2022 at 3:03 PM

> wrote:

Hi,

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Brooke

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**Re: request to propose a dog park - follow up from December 2021 email**

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: "cindy.pease" <

Thu, Mar 31, 2022 at 1:34 PM

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting the Recreation and Parks Board Office, your email will be forwarded to the Commissioners. If you have further questions or comments please respond to this email.

On Wed, Mar 30, 2022 at 3:42 PM cindy.pease <

> wrote:

Board of Commissioners:

I write to you today on behalf of the Villas Cabrini Homeowners board located at 9600 Cabrini Drive on the border of Sunland and Burbank. As you are probably aware, there is a 4 acre LA CITY park open to public at the North end of our 863 unit association. The homeowners, in majority numbers have requested that we propose to you the creation of a dog park at this location.

As this location is remote, and underutilized with the one exception being the HOA homeowners, we consider this proposal to be of mutual benefit. As a member of the board and a retired executive with operational and finance experience, I would be more than happy to create a formal proposal based on your direction in regards to what would be required.

I would appreciate you feedback and direction on how to correctly initiate this process. Is it possible to make a formal request at a Commission meeting?

Warm regards,

Cynthia Pease
Villas Cabrini Board Member

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