


INFORMATIONAL BOARD REPORT

CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

November 02, 2023

TO: BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS  
FROM: JIMMY KIM, 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>
Griffith Park Pony Ride comments		Referred to General Manager
1) Andrew Brown comments regarding Runyon Canyon north entrance	#9481	Referred to General Manager
2) City Council Motion regarding Peck Park Gymnasium	#9482	Note and File
3) Comments regarding Spring Street Park Service Request #1-4501136621	#9483	Referred to General Manager
4) David Sands comments regarding City Golf Program	#9484	Referred to General Manager
5) Quyen T. Vo-Ramirez comments regarding Hubert Humphrey Rec Center	#9485	Referred to General Manager
6) City Council Motion regarding Sports and Cultural Programming	#9486	Note and File
7) City Council Motion regarding Venice Beach Pier	#9487	Note and File
8) City Council Motion regarding pedestrian safety near Joan Milke Flores Park and Paseo Del Mar	#9488	Note and File

9) Misty LeGrande comments as President on behalf of the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council in regards to the pool at Griffith Park	#9489	Referred to General Manager

Prepared by Carolyn Shannon-Joyner, RAP Commission Office



Rap Commissioners &lt;rap.commissioners@lacity.org&gt;

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**Re: Pony ride reopen**

1 message

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**Rap Commissioners** <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Thu, Oct 19, 2023 at 11:15 AM

To: Ann Ammons

&gt;

Good morning,

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

On Thu, Oct 19, 2023 at 9:17 AM Ann Ammons &lt;

&gt; wrote:

Sent from my iPhone I am requesting that the pony rides reopen my entire family got their start riding ponies at Griffith Park DW Griffith left that land to the city of Los Angeles with the stipulation that it remain there open for horses young children cannot go to a stable and rent a horse. My entire family got their start on those ponies, and all of the people that have worked for me at my pony rides have chosen professions that nurture. The activist that were there protesting and using foul language no nothing about animals with keeping of them respectfully, Ann Ammons.

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# Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Who oversees the parking lot at Runyon Canyon's north entrance?

1 message

**Rap Commissioners** <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> Tue, Oct 17, 2023 at 9:02 AM  
To: "Brown, Andrew ( )" < >  
Cc: LA Parks Public Information <RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org>  
Bcc: Jorge De Loera <jorge.deloera@lacity.org>, Stefanie Smith <stefanie.smith@lacity.org>

Good morning Mr. Brown,

Someone will reach to you shortly, also they have stated they are working with staff as of this moment to ensure the gate is open no later than 7am as well as it is Lapd security services responsibility to open and secure our parks. Thank you.

On Mon, Oct 16, 2023 at 2:05 PM Brown, Andrew ( ) < > wrote:

Thanks, Hally. Today I called the Rangers using the number the number you provided and they insisted they had nothing to do with unlocking the parking lot. Today, the parking lot was still locked at 8:50am when I completed my hike.

Andrew Brown

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**From:** [hally.mclay@lacity.org](mailto:hally.mclay@lacity.org) <[hally.mclay@lacity.org](mailto:hally.mclay@lacity.org)> **On Behalf Of** LA Parks Public Information  
**Sent:** Friday, September 15, 2023 11:30 AM  
**To:** Brown, Andrew ( ) < >; Rap Commissioners <[rap.commissioners@lacity.org](mailto:rap.commissioners@lacity.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Who oversees the parking lot at Runyon Canyon's north entrance?

Hi Andrew,

You can email [+Rap Commissioners](#) to provide your complaint in email, and this is the best method to have your issue systematically resolved. You can also try reaching out to the Park Rangers at 323-644-6661. They may also have an email you can send your complaint to.

Thank you,

Hally

On Tue, Sep 12, 2023 at 2:01 PM Brown, Andrew ( ) < > wrote:

Good afternoon:

The signs at the parking lot at the north entrance to Runyon Canyon park indicate that it is open from sunset to sunrise, but in the morning it is often locked well after 7:00am, and sometimes even after 8:00am.

This forces park goers approaching from the north to park on residential streets several blocks away and walk on Mulholland, which has no sidewalk and is dangerous.

I would like to know to whom I can complain. This is my third email. The contact information previously provided is either wrong or not answered. Please see email chain below.

Many thanks for looking into this.

Andrew Brown

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**From:** Brown, Andrew ( )  
**Sent:** Friday, September 8, 2023 12:05 PM  
**To:** LA Parks Public Information <[RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org](mailto:RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Who oversees the parking lot at Runyon Canyon's north entrance?

Thanks, Hally.

I tried the West Region Office number you provided and the woman I spoke to said her region did NOT include Runyon Canyon. She provided a number for maintenance (323-666-5046) which is not answered.

I would like to provide my complaint in writing, with photographs, so an email address would be best for me. Who is responsible for ensuring the parking lot is opened on time?

Best regards,

Andrew Brown

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**From:** [hally.mclay@lacity.org](mailto:hally.mclay@lacity.org) <[hally.mclay@lacity.org](mailto:hally.mclay@lacity.org)> **On Behalf Of** LA Parks Public Information  
**Sent:** Friday, September 8, 2023 11:46 AM  
**To:** Brown, Andrew ( ) < >  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Who oversees the parking lot at Runyon Canyon's north entrance?

Hello Andrew,

Thank you for contacting us. You may call the West Region Office number at 310-202-2803 to discuss this further.

You may also keep the Park Rangers HQ number handy: 323-644-6661.

Thank you,  
Hally

On Thu, Sep 7, 2023 at 11:39 AM Brown, Andrew ( ) < > wrote:

The signs at the parking lot indicate that it is open from sunset to sunrise, but in the morning it is often locked well after 7:00am, and sometimes even at 8:00am.

This forces park goers approaching from the north to park on residential streets several blocks away and walk on Mulholland, which has no sidewalk and is dangerous.

Please let me know who I can complain to.

Many thanks for your help.

Andrew Brown

NO TRESPASSING  
NO VEHICLES  
NO MOTORCYCLES  
NO BICYCLES  
NO SKATEBOARDS  
NO SCOOTERS  
NO STROLLER  
NO WHEELCHAIR

UNLAWFUL  
REENTRY  
NO REENTRY  
NO REENTRY

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ONLY  
EXIT



















## MOTION

NEIGHBORHOOD & COMMUNITY  
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Mel Bobich was born on March 15, 1927 in a house that still stands just blocks away from the working waterfront in San Pedro. In a 2003 letter, he recalled how his childhood playground consisted of the mud flats south of Crescent Avenue where the neighborhood vacant lot became the impromptu baseball diamond or football field. When he retired, he devoted his time to making sure the youth of his hometown had a place to play. He fiercely worked to seek after the sports fields and other facilities he believed San Pedro's youth needed.

Mr. Bobich passed away on June 5, 2018 and is remembered as a beloved husband, father, grandfather, friend and mentor, as well as a San Pedro community leader.

Mel Bobich and his wife, Katie, were founding members of the San Pedro Youth Coalition which has been serving the needs of youth recreation in the San Pedro community for over 35 years. Mr. Bobich was an active member of its leadership team for over 25 years.

Mr. Bobich leaves behind a legacy that impacted generations of young people in the San Pedro community through facilities he helped bring to life including the Bogdanovich Park baseball fields and gymnasium, Peck Park Gymnasium, the San Pedro High School Gymnasium, 22nd Street Park and the Field of Dreams.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners be requested to rename Peck Park Gymnasium, located at 560 North Western Avenue, 90732, to Mel Bobich Gymnasium in memory of Mel Bobich and in recognition of his advocacy for the San Pedro community.

PRESENTED BY:



TIM McOSKER

Councilmember, 15th District

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

**Re: Toxic Plant in Spring Street Park\_Service Request #1-4501136621**

1 message

**Rap Commissioners** <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Thu, Oct 26, 2023 at 9:54 AM

To: Craig Raines <craig.raines@lacity.org>

Cc: Raul Leon <raul.leon@lacity.org>, Javier Solis <javier.solis@lacity.org>, Desiree Ramirez <desiree.ramirez@lacity.org>, Melissa Rivas <melissa.rivas@lacity.org>, Darryl Ford <darryl.ford@lacity.org>

Received, thank you.

On Thu, Oct 26, 2023 at 9:51 AM Craig Raines <craig.raines@lacity.org> wrote:

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The giant timber bamboo planted does not produce berries however the Nandina Domestica, commonly confused as being a bamboo), produces berries that are toxic to dogs:

**The ASPCA website warns that the plant is toxic to dogs, cats, horses and grazing animals. It is generally considered to be nontoxic to humans. Just keep in mind that once you have nandina, it's a long-term relationship.**

Also planted on site is the Lirope gigantea which also produces berries which are:

**Are not truly toxic, in that they do not cause any organ damage, but they are gastrointestinal irritants and ingestion can lead to vomiting and diarrhea.**

Hope this helps

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On Wed, Oct 25, 2023 at 3:14 PM Raul Leon <raul.leon@lacity.org> wrote:

| Thank you!



On Wed, Oct 25, 2023 at 2:44 PM Craig Raines <[craig.raines@lacity.org](mailto:craig.raines@lacity.org)> wrote:

Will have the info tomorrow end of day!!

On Wed, Oct 25, 2023 at 2:15 PM Javier Solis <[javier.solis@lacity.org](mailto:javier.solis@lacity.org)> wrote:

Craig,

I believe you confirmed this in a previous email?

Can you please assist.

On Wed, Oct 18, 2023 at 2:37 PM Javier Solis <[javier.solis@lacity.org](mailto:javier.solis@lacity.org)> wrote:

Hello ,

Not aware of bamboo producing berries. All landscape designs are either generated and or approved by RAP Planning Div.

+[Craig Raines](#) , Landscape Architect to advise on the matter.

On Wed, Oct 18, 2023 at 2:28 PM Rap Commissioners <[rap.commissioners@lacity.org](mailto:rap.commissioners@lacity.org)> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Please see the email below received by the Board office and advise. Thank you.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Rap Commissioners** <[rap.commissioners@lacity.org](mailto:rap.commissioners@lacity.org)>  
Date: Wed, Oct 18, 2023 at 2:13 PM  
Subject: Re: Toxic Plant in Spring Street Park\_Service Request #1-4501136621  
To: Marvin Dollano <[marvin.dollano@lacity.org](mailto:marvin.dollano@lacity.org)>, RAP PublicInfo <[RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org](mailto:RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org)>

Good afternoon,

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

On Wed, Oct 18, 2023 at 2:01 PM LA Parks Public Information <[RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org](mailto:RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org)> wrote:

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From: **Marvin Dollano** <[marvin.dollano@lacity.org](mailto:marvin.dollano@lacity.org)>  
Date: Mon, Oct 9, 2023 at 5:03 PM  
Subject: Toxic Plant in Spring Street Park\_Service Request #1-4501136621  
To: RAP PublicInfo <[RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org](mailto:RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org)>  
Cc: Alex Reveliotty <[alex.reveliotty@lacity.org](mailto:alex.reveliotty@lacity.org)>

To Whom It May Concern:

Hello,

We received a call that there are bamboo trees planted in Spring Street Park that produce berries, which are toxic to consume. It is located near the playground for children. This brought a concern to parents about what children may think to be safe to eat when it is toxic. Caller inquires about removing those trees and berries from the park as soon as possible.

In addition to this request and concern, the maintenance for recreation and parks request service for 3-1-1 does not work. Each time an address or specific park is verified it can get redirected to try to verify the park and or not accept the request at all. Please advise this technical error to input requests thoroughly.

Thank you,

**Marvin Dollano**

*Communications Information Representative Trainee*



200 N. Main St., Room 1400

Los Angeles, CA 90012

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[Myla311.lacity.org](https://myla311.lacity.org)



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

## Re: CITY GOLF PROGRAM

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Oct 24, 2023 at 11:06 AM

To: David Sands <

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Good morning,

Please see response from staff:

I have spoken to my maintenance staff regarding the (1) need for these extra tees, and (2) feasibility of building these tees. There is a lot more involved than it seems. We already have four sets of tees for multiple abilities of golfers. For 80 years there were only three sets of tees. We've added a fourth set of tees and even a fifth at one location over the last several years. Adding another set of tees is not off the table but with much larger projects in our queue, massive staff shortages, and the rising cost of materials, this is not something that we can accomplish in the near future.

As far as the "play it forward" concept, we have been working with the United States Golf Association (USGA) at multiple golf courses on a pilot program on this subject. We are using their recommendations on informing the general public on which tees they should be playing from to get the most enjoyment out of their round of golf.

Hope this helps. Thank you.

On Fri, Oct 20, 2023 at 12:40 PM David Sands <

> wrote:

Thank you for your response.

On Fri, Oct 20, 2023 at 11:26 AM Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> wrote:

Good morning,

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

On Fri, Oct 20, 2023 at 10:45 AM LA Parks Public Information <RAP.PublicInfo@lacity.org> wrote:

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From: **David Sands** <

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Date: Fri, Oct 20, 2023 at 10:20 AM

Subject: CITY GOLF PROGRAM

To: <RAP.publicinfo@lacity.org>

I know that I speak for many others when saying that the City Golf program is in need of Management that is more strategic in its thinking. The City Golf web site's strategic plan has not been updated since 2020, and while some elements stated still apply, it should be updated

AND contain a **commitment to the tenets of the play-it-forward concept.**

Attempts to promote this concept with current Management have not been sufficiently responded to by me and at least one Men's Club President.

The attached score card from the Contra Costa Country Club in Pleasant Hill, California exemplifies the approach that should be implemented at each of the City's 18 hole golf courses. Each of six yardages depicted is separately "rated" for mens and womens play. (The application for our City courses need not include as many six teeing grounds but should provide for more than the four and with *generally shorter yardages.*)

Having a similar variety of teeing grounds with shorter yardages for each of the City courses would provide a more enjoyable golfing experience for all as well as creasing the speed of play that not only would enhance enjoyment for players but increase revenues by increasing the number of golf rounds per day played.

Of course, I would be pleased to elaborate on this proposal should someone wish to phone me, pose questions in a reply, or arrange a personal visit.

David Sands



Rap Commissioners &lt;rap.commissioners@lacity.org&gt;

## Re: Letter of concern regarding Hubert Humphrey Rec Center current and future collaborations

1 message

Rap Commissioners &lt;rap.commissioners@lacity.org&gt;

Fri, Oct 20, 2023 at 1:37 PM

To: quyen ramirez &lt;

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Cc: Yamil Verde &lt;yamil.verde@lacity.org&gt;, "jimmy.kim@lacity.org" &lt;jimmy.kim@lacity.org&gt;

Good afternoon,

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

On Fri, Oct 20, 2023 at 12:27 PM quyen ramirez &lt;

&gt; wrote:

Good afternoon Yamil,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me at our photo day and especially for listening. I'm appreciative that you and Coach Jose took the time to check in with me during the week as well. I'm thankful Jose was present during the hostile interaction with the coach of the Hubert Humphrey Rec Center for team Hitmen and later we learned shockingly together that Andres was also the director of HHRC. Jose was explicitly stunned by witnessing Andres' unprofessionalism and apologized profusely. I was shocked by the director's overly defensive vocal volume and his inability to listen to my concerns. Unfortunately, this is the second time our Junior Co-Rec Volleyball team has been met with such hostility and poor sportsmanship.

The first negative interaction occurred at Sylmar Rec Center on Saturday September 30th, with coach Aslyn of the HHRC, who showed up late with half the team out of uniform and late as well. Our Sylmar staff was welcoming, inclusive and supportive of all the kids and allowed HHRC team Block Party to play. Yet the HHRC coach complained the whole entire tournament; even shouting out to stop the game in the middle of several of our players' serves. Her constant protest of the calls and stepping onto the court was disruptive and unprofessional. Please ask the director of HHRC to provide the fingerprint date and coach training date, as it was obvious that she required more training.

Aslyn is the same coach that was chosen to be the main ref at HHRC Saturday August 14th. The optics are implicitly bias, especially when she constantly spoke to and laughed with the HHRC team. Her actions socially and emotionally impacted our kids negatively and discouraged fair play. Her calls were equally bias and showed lack of training as well. Please ask the director of HHRC to provide the R.E.F. Certificate for Volleyball for Aslyn to referee? I'm trying to understand if she is actually certified and requires additional training or were there shortcuts made at the expense of our children. She rejected our substitutions, and stated the subs had to be a girl out and girl in, a boy out a boy in? Where is this rule in the City-Wide Volleyball Rules approved by the City-Wide Youth Sports Board revised August 2023. She also, called side-out every time our player stepped on the center line and awarded about a dozen points with these calls to HHRC. According to **Section VIII- #3-Crossing Lines under d. a player may touch or cross the center line with a hand or foot provided the entire hand or foot does not cross completely. No other body part (e.g. the head or elbow) may cross the center line.** Additionally, I watched the main ref call 4-balls in by HHRC strike outside as I sat 3 feet from the sideline. Then watched her call 5 of our balls out as I watched them strike inside the sideline. This was evidently bias to our coach as well. Jose offered to provide line judges hoping for fair play, since Sylmar attended with additional staff and volunteers, yet Adres rejected the support.

I observed 4 HHRC staff in attendance in the gym that morning and 3 additional staff in the office. Andres' answer was they didn't start the tournament with line judges and shouldn't add staff, yet he added a second ref across the main ref mid-way through the tournament. This appeared inconsistent. What is the minimum staff required to host a tournament? Another answer, I found to be an excuse, was he stated he was under budget and understaff and had multiple programs running simultaneously and could not staff every program. I'm aware and informed of the multiple multi-million-dollar funding sources available to the department. Additionally, I'm aware that almost every LA City Rec Center operates with multiple programs concurrently. I believe it's poor leadership and mismanagement that I was observing at the expense of our children's safety and development.

Our kids were already discouraged and felt unwelcomed that morning as they were met with "Boos! Sylmar sucks! Sylmar go home!" chanted by HHRC players and showing their thumbs down to our players as we entered the gym. This was an unhealthy environment of toxic stress created by the host. No adult from HHRC present, stopped or

corrected the behaviors. Two of our kids wanted to go home and our youngest child on the team didn't want to play anymore. Overall, our experiences in other sports with HHRC have not been that positive either. Is the Code of Conduct along with other standards and protocols required by the entire department, in this case specifically, at HHRC? I know the Code of Conduct is required at Sylmar. The parents/ guardians of Sylmar have asked me to author a petition to discontinue the collaboration between our two Rec Centers. Our family stands with our children and community.

Regards,

*Quyen*

Quyen T. Vo-Ramirez,

Phone:

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MOTION

TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT  
REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED #51

Robust youth programming is essential for supporting youth living in marginalized communities, particularly during holiday breaks. Working parents are often not able to or inconvenienced by the need to provide extra childcare during these especially busy times of the year. These realities, compounded with the recent violence at Recreation Centers across the district underscore the need to support our communities with increased programming during the holidays.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council direct the City Clerk to transfer \$58,630 from AB 1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281214 (CD14 Redevelopment Projects - Services) to the Department of Recreation and Parks, Fund No. 302, Dept No. 89, Account No. SP724H00 (Sports and Cultural Programming - CD14) for the Department of Recreation and Parks camp during Thanksgiving Break.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Recreation and Parks be authorized to make any corrections, clarifications, or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this motion

PRESENTED BY:

SECONDED BY:

  
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KEVIN DE LEÓN  
Councilmember, 14<sup>th</sup> District

  
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## MOTION

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For decades, Venice Pier at Venice Beach has been a global destination for local residents, travelers, outdoor enthusiasts and individuals who wish to experience the peace and tranquility of this community asset.

Managed by Los Angeles' Department of Recreation and Parks, the pier is also one of seven piers in Los Angeles County that don't require a fishing license, making it a popular destination for anglers - people who fish with a rod and line - from across our region.

Supporting this recreational activity, while protecting the health of the Santa Monica Bay and our coastal environment, is imperative. If improperly discarded, fishing lines often end up in the ocean, endangering marine life, in addition to fouling boat propellers. Worse, since these lines are not biodegradable, they can remain in our environment for many years. To mitigate this hazard, the City should explore the installation of fishing line recycling containers at Venice Pier.

Not without precedent, a similar program is operated by the California State Parks and the California Coastal Commission's Boating Clean and Green Program, which has placed dozens of recycling containers at piers and docks up and down the state.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the Council instruct the Department of Recreation and Parks, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, to report on the feasibility of installing fishing line recycling containers at Venice Pier, including staff, maintenance and installation costs.

PRESENTED BY:



TRACI PARK

Councilwoman, 11<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:



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TRANSPORTATION

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Joan Milke Flores Park is located at 834 Paseo Del Mar, San Pedro in Council District 15. The park is within walking distance to Point Fermin Park, Angels Gate Park, Wilders Addition Park, Fort MacArthur Military Museum, Korean Friendship Bell, and Point Fermin Lighthouse. With ocean views and shaded, open space, this park is a popular spot for locals and visitors to the area.

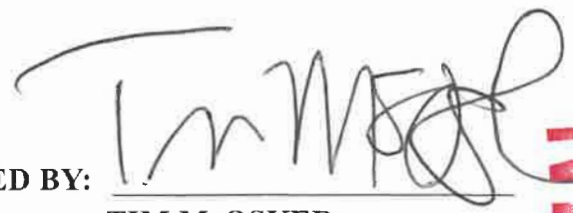
Residents of the neighboring Paseo Del Mar community and users of the park have expressed growing concerns about pedestrian safety for entering and exiting the site on foot. A continuous sidewalk lines Paseo Del Mar on the corridor's side closest to the ocean, but there is no sidewalk on the side adjacent to Joan Milke Flores Park. For those who are unable to park at the lot on site, they must park on Paseo Del Mar, at times crossing a state highway and having to encounter vehicular traffic traveling at unsafe speeds.

The foot and vehicular traffic from the other attractions nearby creates an increasingly unsafe pedestrian environment specifically for crossing Paseo Del Mar into Joan Milke Flores Park. The closest crosswalk to the site is at Roxbury Street and in the opposite direction of entering the park. Further analysis of effective pedestrian safety measures, such as a High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk (HAWK) beacon, for the park's entrance and its access from Paseo Del Mar, is vital to improving safety for pedestrians.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the Department of Transportation and Bureau of Engineering, in consultation with the Department of Recreation and Parks, report with an analysis of targeted pedestrian safety improvements, such as a HAWK, that could be implemented at the intersection of the entrance to Joan Milke Flores Park via Paseo Del Mar.

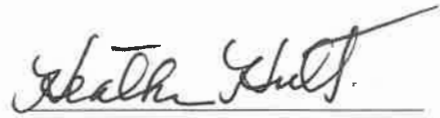
**I FURTHER MOVE** that the Department of Transportation and Bureau of Engineering, in consultation with the City Administrative Officer, report on funding pedestrian safety improvements for the intersection of the entrance to Joan Milke Flores Park and Paseo Del Mar.

PRESENTED BY:



TIM McOSKER  
Councilmember, 15<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY:



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Rap Commissioners &lt;rap.commissioners@lacity.org&gt;

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**Fwd: Letter From the Los Feliz NC - Griffith Park Pool**

1 message

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**Desiree Ramirez** <desiree.ramirez@lacity.org>  
To: Rap Commissioners <RAP.Commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Oct 24, 2023 at 8:14 AM

Hi,  
there is a CC to Renata on the letter, so wanted to forward it to you  
Thank you!

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From: **Misty LeGrande** <misty.legrande@lofeliznc.org>  
Date: Thu, Oct 19, 2023 at 4:28 PM  
Subject: Letter From the Los Feliz NC - Griffith Park Pool  
To: <jimmy.kim@lacity.org>, <brenda.aguirre@lacity.org>, <desiree.ramirez@lacity.org>  
Cc: Meggan Ellingboe <meggan.ellingboe@lofeliznc.org>, <councilmember.Soto-Martinez@lacity.org>, <contactCD4@lacity.org>, Nithya Raman <nithya.raman@lacity.org>, Jennifer Hull <jennifer.hull@lacity.org>

Dear General Manager Kim,

Attached please [find a letter](#) from the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council regarding the Griffith Park Pool. We thank you so much again for our productive meeting last month and we look forward to working with RAP on this exciting project!

Thank you for your continued communication on this matter!


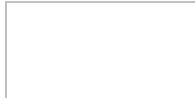
Best,

**MISTY LEGRANDE**

President | DISTRICT D REPRESENTATIVE  
CHAIR - Executive & Outreach Committees  
LOS FELIZ NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
Web | [www.lofeliz.org](http://www.lofeliz.org)  
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Desiree N. Ramirez, M.P.A. (she/her)  
Executive Administrative Assistant to  
**Jimmy Kim, General Manager**  
*City of Los Angeles: Department of Recreation & Parks*  
Direct: 213-524-9540

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Out of Office: October 27, November 8-19th



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Meggan Ellingboe

October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Mr. Jimmy Kim  
General Manager  
Recreation & Parks  
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Re: Griffith Park Pool Design Process

Dear Mr. Kim,

We appreciated the time you and Assistant GM Brenda Aguirre took to attend the Los Feliz Neighborhood Council Recreation Committee meeting in September. We enjoyed meeting you both and the robust discussion of past, present and future needs regarding recreation programming, green space, and facilities. We look forward to continuing to work with you and bringing forth other voices within the neighborhood to further enhance or improve recreation and park needs.

We write this month in specific regards to the pool at Griffith Park. Its repair is the most common question the LFNC has received around recreation since last summer. We are excited that you desire it to be a flagship aquatics facility and appreciate the frank discussion about the costs and timelines, and sharing a potential design or rendering. For the record, we'd like to share current desired features based on neighborhood feedback from before and since the closure. Obviously, we are here to be partners in collecting further feedback as the design process continues.

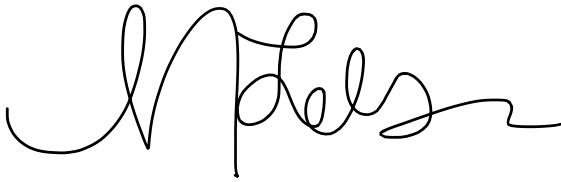
However, current desired features include:

- Updated locker rooms built with materials that are not susceptible to rot.
- A regulation sized swimming pool.
- Family pool or splash pad area.
- Shade structures and seating.

- Improved mobility path and maintenance of it to the pool structure from the current parking lot.

While this letter is just a start of continued dialogue, we look forward to working with you and respective entities to bring this world-class vision to fruition. Please let us know how we can work with you to facilitate further community outreach and collect feedback and how or if we can assist in any avenues to find funding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. LeGrande', with a flourish at the end.

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