# **INFORMATIONAL BOARD REPORT**

# CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

February 3, 2022

TO: BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

FROM: MICHAEL A. SHULL, General Manager M. Olive

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>	Action Taken		
1) Griffith Park Pony Ride comments	#9054lm- 9054qm	Referred to General Manager	
Jen Ritchkoff comments regarding     Westwood Park	#9056b	Referred to General Manager	
3)Jen Ritchkoff comments regarding Westwood Park	#9056c	Referred to General Manager	
4)John Baginski comments regarding Westminster Senior Center	#9068	Referred to General Manager	
5) Miles Basurto comments regarding Woodland Hills RC Volleyball	#9069	Referred to General Manager	
6) Levi Zollinger comments regarding church services in park	#9070	Referred to General Manager	
7) Elida Mendez comments as President of Park Advisory Board of Green Meadows regarding the future renovations	#9071	Referred to General Manager	
8) Bradley Sax comments regarding tennis courts at Poinsettia Park	#9072	Referred to General Manager	
9) Jeffrey Spitz comments regarding Potrero Canyon	#9073	Referred to General Manager	
10) Peter Longo comments regarding Potrero Canyon	#9073a	Referred to General Manager	

# REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

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11) Richard Hart comments regarding Potrero Canyon	#9073b	Referred to General Manager

Prepared by Jessica Martinez, RAP Commission Office





# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:18 AM

To: Jessica Dacher

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 1:29 PM Jessica Dacher <

> wrote:

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Best, Jessica Dacher

Sent from my iPhone

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#### VC NO. 9054In



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 8:58 AM

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 10:06 AM SZXR SZXR <

wrote:

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#### VC No. 9054lo

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 8:59 AM

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 10:41 AM Evelyn Hill <

> wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 8:59 AM

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 11:04 AM Stephanie Atienza <

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### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 9:01 AM

To: Diana Lannes

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

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VC No. 9054lt

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 11:11 AM Sharon Gilbert <

> wrote:

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#### VC NO. 9054lu

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 9:01 AM

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 11:19 AM Joanna Gatto <

> wrote:

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### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 9:02 AM

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 11:33 AM jhays <

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> To: Elaine Livesey-fassel

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 9:02 AM

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 11:40 AM Elaine Livesey-fassel

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 11:44 AM Georja Umano <

> wrote:

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Georja Umano

Sent with good cheer

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#### VC No.9054lz



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 1:22 PM Dolly Daswani <

> wrote:

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#### VC No. 9054mb



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#### VC No. 9054mc

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:19 AM

To: Rebecca Diaz

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 2:14 PM Rebecca Diaz

wrote:

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Sincerely, Rebecca Diaz-Sell

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

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

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 2:22 PM Rachel Weil < > wrote:

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 2:37 PM Minoo <

> wrote:

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

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

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Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:25 AM

To: Eshe Thomas

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 4:09 PM Eshe Thomas

> wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:25 AM

To: karen elger

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 4:36 PM karen elger <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners, <BR>As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect. <BR><BR>Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases. <BR><BR>Thank you for everything that you do in our community! <BR> <BR>

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:26 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 Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 5:07 PM EDC <

> wrote:

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

### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:27 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 Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 5:19 PM Stephanie Curson

wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect.

Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

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Sincerely, Stephanie Curson

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#### VC NO. 9054ml



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:27 AM

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 5:34 PM Darlene Maree <

wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:28 AM

To: sandra zaninovich

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 6:55 PM sandra zaninovich <

> wrote:

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Sandra Zaninovich

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#### VC NO. 9054mn

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:29 AM

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 6:56 PM Kelly Erwin <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

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Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

Thank you for everything that you do in our community! Kids don't need live animals to be entertained!!!

Kelly Erwin

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:29 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 Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 7:29 PM Mars Green

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect.

Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:30 AM

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 7:39 PM John Smith <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect, as well as child safety concerns.

Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

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#### VC No. 9054mg

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> To: "Dr. Lorin Lindner"

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:31 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 Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 8:19 PM Dr. Lorin Lindner <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

I am respectfully urge you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect.

Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary for horses like mine, the Lockwood Animal Rescue Center. I would be happy to take the ponies and retire them with a lifetime of love and gentle care. Hopefully the "owners" would agree to not do pony rides in the future.

Thank you for considering this alternative to help our community,

Lorin Lindner, PhD CEO/President

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:31 AM

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 11, 2022 at 8:46 PM Emily <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Rec and Park Commissioners,

As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect.

Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other family-friendly attractions. In addition to being humane, these upgraded sites could helps to ensure the safety of children, rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on individuals who may at times be unpredictable. In addition, in the wake of a deadly zoonotic plague, we should all be more cognizant of the dangers of communicable disease carried by non-human animals, especially those in captivity and close confinement.

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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> wrote:

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Thank you! Phillip

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#### VC No. 9054mt



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:55 AM

To: "alison.b.levy"

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, Jan 12, 2022 at 5:53 AM alison.b.levy

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

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### VC No. 9054mu



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:55 AM

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 6:44 AM

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

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Best,

Silvio Curtis

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### VC NO. 9054mv



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 9:12 AM LR <

> wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:55 AM

To: Katherine Gross <

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 9:42 AM Katherine Gross

wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect.

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### VC No. 9054mx

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:56 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 Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 10:50 AM Nancy Goodwin <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

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### VC No. 9054my



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:59 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 Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 11:03 AM Alex Bernal <

> wrote:

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### VC No. 9054mz



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:00 AM

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 11:15 AM Eder Lopez <

> wrote:

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:00 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 11:18 AM Theresa Elizabeth <

> wrote:

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### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:01 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 11:47 AM Christina Newsome <

wrote:

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### VC No. 9054nc

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:01 AM

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 12:15 PM Simone Reyes

> wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:02 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 11:49 AM Pearl Michel <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners, <BR>As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect. <BR><BR>Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases. <BR><BR>Thank you for everything that you do in our community! <BR> <BR>

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:03 AM

To: Tridoshic 1 <

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 12:20 PM Tridoshic 1 <

wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:03 AM

To: "Marie A. Baker" <

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, Jan 12, 2022 at 12:42 PM Marie A. Baker

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect.

Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:03 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 12:44 PM Marlene Goodman <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

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Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

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Marlene Goodman

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:04 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 1:13 PM Nicole Bovigny

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect.

Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

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

### Re: Re Griffin Pony Rides

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:04 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 1:20 PM carrie c <

> wrote:

Dear Commissioners,

I implore you not to renew the contract for Griffin Pony Rides. The ponies look miserable. People who investigate animal abuse say they work a long time in the heat and do not get water or time to cool off. It is time for our society to start treating animals as sentient beings.

Please remove the animals and send them to a sanctuary, and replace it with non-animal model.

The children like rides, they do not need to be living animals.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Carrie Coppernoll

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

# **Re: Griffith Pony Rides**

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:04 AM

To: Danielle Baker

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, Jan 12, 2022 at 1:30 PM Danielle Baker <

> wrote:

Hello,

Don't renew the contract for Griffith Pony Rides, please. These animals suffer enough all over the world and need to be treated with kindness and dignity.

Danielle Baker

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

# **Re: Griffith Pony Rides**

1 message

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

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

# Re: Pony rides Griffith park

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:04 AM

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 1:33 PM wayne kline <

> wrote:

I am writing to ask that you do not renew the pony ride contract at Griffith Park. Please close up the live animal rides and send the ponies to a sanctuary. They deserve better lives. Thank you so much!

Wayne Orkline

Sent from my iPhonemmis

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

# Re: Do not renew the contract for Griffith Pony Rides

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:05 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 Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 1:38 PM Elizabeth Martin <

> wrote:

I am urging you to not renew the contract for the Griffith Pony Rides. Please remove the animals and send them to an animal sanctuary. Additionally, replace the park with a non-animal model.

Horses do not deserve to be used for human entertainment. Please make the right decision and do what is best for the animals.

Best,

Elizabeth Martin

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

# Re: Do not renew Griffith Park Pony Rides contract

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

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Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 2:22 PM <

> wrote:

Hi,

I am writing to request that you not renew the contract for the pony rides at Griffith Park. Instead please send these animals to a sanctuary and replace this park with a non-animal model.

Sincerely, Aisha Farhoud

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

#### Re:

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:05 AM

To: Valerie Gormley

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 2:31 PM Valerie Gormley <

> wrote:

To whom it may concern,

I live in Hollywood near Griffith Park. Please do not renew the contract for Griffith Pony Rides. The animals should be sent to a sanctuary. Please do not utilize animals for entertainment going forward.

Thank you, Valerie Gormley

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:06 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 4:27 PM Italia P <

> wrote:

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:07 AM

To: "amano.whiskerstails" <

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 5:07 PM amano.whiskerstails <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:07 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 5:42 PM Jeremiah Benjamin <

> wrote:

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### VC No. 9054ns

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:08 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 6:57 PM Sue Espinosa

wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect.

Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Commissioner of Rec and Park please do not renew Pony Ride contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:08 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 Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 7:11 PM Kathleen McConn <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

As a Los Angeles constituent I respectfully ask you not to renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect.

Also, use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane, also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

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

### Re: Griffith Pony Rides

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:09 AM

To: Joan Gallagher

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, Jan 12, 2022 at 7:30 PM Joan Gallagher <

> wrote:

To whom it may concern,

I hope you take into consideration of not renewing the Griffith park pony rides. The attraction of "riding" the ponies have dwindled over the last several years. It is unnecessary to exploit these animals on the daily. Anyone who drives by or stops by the area knows these ponies are not well cared for. It is time for the ponies to retire and replace it with something more humane. Please take this matter seriously and I wish you really think about your decision.

Thank you for reading my letter.

Best,

Joan Gallagher

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

### Re: free the ponies

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:09 AM

To: Karen Cooke

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 7:44 PM Karen Cooke

wrote:

Hello-

I'm writing to urge you to NOT renew the contract for Griffith Pony Rides and that the animals are removed and sent to sanctuary. They are being abused.

Thank you, Karen Cooke

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:09 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 Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 8:05 PM David Tang <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect.

Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:10 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 8:08 PM Alexandra McCardell <

> wrote:

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

### Re: Griffith Pony Rides

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:10 AM

Good morning,

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 8:13 PM Dylan Dubois <

> wrote:

Hello commissioners,

I am emailing you to please consider not renewing the contracts for the Griffith Pony Rides as they are inhumane by causing these animals to be in stressful and unnatural situations by subjecting them to be ridden by children. These animals can be sent to a sanctuary and can be replaced with non-animal models or some other enrichment activity that does not exploit animals for the entertainment of humans. These animals are sentient and wish to be treated with kindness and respect and not to be seen as commodities. If humans were subjected to being ridden all day for most of their lives, it would call for a public outcry, but why? Because humans nor these ponies should ever be forced to submit to this kind of exploitation. Please find it in your judgment to let these ponies live out the rest of their natural lives at a sanctuary where they will be cared for properly and replace this apathetic activity to one that does not involve animals.

Thank you, Dylan Dubois

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:10 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 Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 8:28 PM Annie <

wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners, <BR>As a Los Angeles constituent I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse and neglect. <BR><BR>Please use your influence to send the animals to a sanctuary, and replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions, which in addition to being humane also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases. <BR><BR>Thank you for everything that you do in our community! <BR> <BR>

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:11 AM

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On Wed, Jan 12, 2022 at 9:27 PM janet Martinez <

> wrote:

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- Janet Martinez

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

### Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:11 AM

To: Rohan Sabnis

Good morning,

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On Thu, Jan 13, 2022 at 12:31 AM Rohan Sabnis

> wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> To: Deb O'Haver

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:12 AM

Good morning,

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On Thu, Jan 13, 2022 at 4:13 AM Deb O'Haver <

> wrote:

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Sincerely, Deb OHaver

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

# Re: Pony rides

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:12 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 Thu, Jan 13, 2022 at 4:41 AM Anne Ducey <

> wrote:

Please do not renew the contract for pony rides at Griffith Park. Replace them with mechanical options.

**Thanks** 

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

# Re: Request from a Griffith Park enthusiast

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:13 AM

To: Susanne B

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, Jan 13, 2022 at 2:00 PM Susanne B <

> wrote:

Times have changed. You do not need animals to entertain children.

It's possible to be more updated and current.

Please do not renew the contract for Griffith Pony Rides!

Please remove the animals and allow them to be sent to a sanctuary,& replace the park w/ non-animal model.

The kids will still love it.

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> To: Rachel Jessie Ejsmont

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:15 AM

Good morning,

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On Fri, Jan 14, 2022 at 8:19 AM Rachel Jessie Ejsmont <

wrote:

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

# Re: Griffith Pony rides

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:16 AM

Good morning,

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On Fri, Jan 14, 2022 at 10:49 AM BETSY BURMEISTER

> wrote:

----- Original Message ------From: BETSY BURMEISTER

To: "rap.commissioner@lacity.org" <rap.commissioner@lacity.org>

Date: 01/14/2022 11:36 AM Subject: Griffith Pony rides

Dear Council member Lee,

Please, do not renew the contract for the Griffith Park Pony rides. Send these sweet, gentle ponies to a Sanctuary where they can live the life that they deserve.

Animals are feeling, living beings just as we are, no different than your dog or cat. They are sentient beings. They feel pain, love, joy and fear.

It is inhumane to tie them up and use them to make money. It is cruel to make them walk around in circles all day, with no joy in their lives and no stimulation. Hours and hours in the heat, the rain...this is animal abuse.

We have all evolved in the past decades to see that animals deserve to be treated well. They have a right to live a life of peace without being exploited and abused. The man who is their "owner" needs to get a job and stop using these animals.

He can set up non animal rides, such as a Merry Go Round or something else that does not use animals. He wouldn't have to concern himself with the weather or giving them food or water(not that he concerns himself with that now).

Please, do not renew this man's contract, encourage him to get a job that does not include abusing and exploiting animals, and please send these gentle, innocent animals to a Sanctuary.

Thank you, Respectfully, **Betsy Burmeister**  City of Los Angeles Office of the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners Figueroa Plaza 221 North Figueroa Street, Suite 300 Los Angeles, CA 90012

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# Re: Do NOT renew the Griffith Park Pony Ride contract

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:16 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, Jan 14, 2022 at 11:04 AM Jill Mulato < > wrote:

Dear City Council members and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

As a concerned citizen and SoCal resident of almost 40 years, I am respectfully urging you to not renew the contract for Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo due to animal abuse.

Please use your influence to replace the horses and ponies with non-animal models such as go-karts or other fun attractions. In addition to being a humane choice, this also helps to ensure the safety of children rather than putting them at risk by interacting and riding on unpredictable and abused animals, who can also carry communicable diseases.

Thank you, Jill Mulato

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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:16 AM

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On Fri, Jan 14, 2022 at 11:32 AM Hany Hmoud <

> wrote:

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~ OooFreeSpirit 🎡 🚱 🏰

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> To: Anthony-Xavier Jackson

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:18 AM

Good morning,

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On Sat, Jan 15, 2022 at 1:17 PM Anthony-Xavier Jackson

> wrote:

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:18 AM

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On Sat, Jan 15, 2022 at 1:19 PM Nicole Bovigny <

> wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:18 AM

Good morning,

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On Sat, Jan 15, 2022 at 1:48 PM Margo Santoro <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

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Margo Santoro

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:18 AM

Good morning,

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On Sat, Jan 15, 2022 at 2:27 PM mark owen <

> wrote:

Dear City Councilmembers and Recs and Parks Commissioners,

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Thank you for everything that you do in our community! Yours sincerely Mr M. Owen

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:19 AM

To: Tridoshic 1

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On Sat, Jan 15, 2022 at 2:43 PM Tridoshic 1 <

> wrote:

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:19 AM

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On Sat, Jan 15, 2022 at 2:48 PM Claudia Martinez <

wrote:

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Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:22 AM

Good morning,

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On Sat, Jan 15, 2022 at 2:50 PM Karl Spence

> wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:28 AM

Good morning,

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On Sat, Jan 15, 2022 at 3:06 PM Cathy Bolger

wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:28 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 Sat, Jan 15, 2022 at 4:00 PM Hinda Farmer <

wrote:

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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:28 AM

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On Sat, Jan 15, 2022 at 4:02 PM Erzsebet Osz

> wrote:

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

# Re: Griffith Park Pony Rides

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:28 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 Sun, Jan 16, 2022 at 8:08 AM Amber C <

> wrote:

I am a LA resident and veterinarian, and I have serious concerns about the Griffith Park Pony Rides due common cruelty directed at the ponies that are forced to participate, as well as safety hazards for children.

Please re-consider renewing the contract, and do not allow these antiquated pony rides to continue. There are several better options such as a merry-go-round, go karts, or other non-animal activities that are safer for the animals and children.

Thank you, Amber

Amber Cohn, DVM

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> To: "Marie A. Baker" <

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:29 AM

Good morning,

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On Sun, Jan 16, 2022 at 10:15 AM Marie A. Baker <

wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:29 AM

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On Sun, Jan 16, 2022 at 11:03 AM Ken Sills <

> wrote:

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# Re: Griffith Park Pony rides

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:29 AM

To: Stephanie Curson

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On Sun, Jan 16, 2022 at 3:16 PM Stephanie Curson <

> wrote:

Dear Commissioners,

After seeing the video on Facebook of a child being dragged behind a pony when the saddle slips, it's more evident than ever that these pony rides need to be banned! Animals are not ours to exploit and this practice is neither safe nor humane. These ponies are suffering, and now so is a terrified child. Please do not renew the their contract.

Thank you, Stephanie

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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:30 AM

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On Sun, Jan 16, 2022 at 5:37 PM Joanna Gatto

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VC No. 9054oz

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:30 AM

Good morning,

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On Sun, Jan 16, 2022 at 6:36 PM Nicole Bovigny

> wrote:

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## Vc No. 9054pa



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:30 AM

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On Sun, Jan 16, 2022 at 8:16 PM David Tang <

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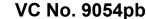
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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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On Sun, Jan 16, 2022 at 9:31 PM <

> wrote:

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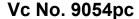
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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:31 AM

Good morning,

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 4:54 AM Zora Andrich <

wrote:

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# VC No. 9054pd

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:31 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 Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 10:43 AM Mechelle Bollon <

wrote:

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~One Love Mechelle Bollon

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# VC No. 9054pe



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:31 AM

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 11:00 AM Kathleen Cullen

> wrote:

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Sincerely, Kathy Cullen

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## Vc No. 9054pf

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:32 AM

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 11:10 AM patricia garrovillo

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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:32 AM

To: Leslie Randall

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 11:54 AM Leslie Randall

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It's time to END this cruel, antiquated and inhumane treatment of these poor animals. Please do the right thing. Be progressive... not oppressive.

Thank you Leslie Randall

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 12:06 PM Stella bridge <

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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

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To: Theresa Elizabeth

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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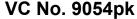
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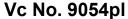
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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 1:15 PM H <

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## **VC No 9054pm**



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

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

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### VC No. 9054pn

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 1:40 PM jhays

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### Vc No 9054pp

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:36 AM

Good morning,

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 3:08 PM Mike Fujimori

wrote:

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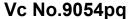
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I'VE PERSONALLY BEEN AT THIS LOCATION AND SAW WORKERS FRIGHTEN THE PONIES DURING THE ENTIRE RIDE TO FORCE THEM TO RUN IN THE HEAT.

BAFFLING THAT PARENTS AND HUMANS AROUND THIS FEAR TACTIC USED ON INNOCENT DOCILE ANIMALS ARE NOT HORRIFIED.

TO ALLOW KIDS TO RIDE THESE ANIMALS IS TEACHING THEM TO BE CALLOUS TO HOW OTHERS FEEL, ESPECIALLY ANIMALS WHO ARE OBVIOUSLY TIRED, HOT AND DO NOT WANT TO WORK/PERFORM/RUN FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF HUMANS.

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#### Vc No. 9054pr

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 7:34 PM Jeremiah Benjamin <

> wrote:

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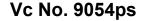
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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Parks/Rec to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 7:39 PM Skyler Odom

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All we're asking for is this dangerous act of mistreatment to end. These animals don't deserve to be treated like living machines.

Thank you for your time and please, do the right thing.

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### VC No. 9054pt

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

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# VC No. 9054pv



Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:38 AM

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 10:01 PM lynn freudenberg <

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### VC NO. 9054pw



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:38 AM

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 10:58 PM Joe Rott

> wrote:

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# Vc No 9054px



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:39 AM

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 11:14 PM Mary Lou

wrote:

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# VC No. 9054py

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:39 AM

To: Mars Green

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On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:38 AM Mars Green

Good Morning,

Please think of these ponies and how they suffer from the unexceptable care!

They are depressed and in poor health.

They are kept outside in the rain with no shelter and stand in the hot sun for hours w no water.

Don't allow a renewal of license or for this animal abuse to continue.

The licensing fee the city would receive is not comparable to their suffering.

Respectfully,

MG

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# Vc No 9054pz



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

### Re: Stop Griffith Pony Rides

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:15 AM

To: Scott Sheehan

Good morning,

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On Thu, Jan 13, 2022 at 9:13 PM Scott Sheehan <

wrote:

I am urging you to not renew the contract for the Griffith Pony Rides. Please remove the animals and send them to an animal sanctuary. Additionally, replace the park with a non-animal model.

Horses do not deserve to be used for human entertainment. Please make the right decision and do what is best for the animals.

Best,

Scott Sheehan

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# Vc No 9054qa

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:40 AM

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:41 AM Abby Elliott <

> wrote:

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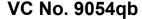
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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

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#### **VC No 9054ac**



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:41 AM

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:05 AM Alexandra McCardell <

> wrote:

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# **VC No 9054qd**



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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:55 AM

Good morning,

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On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:44 AM Emily Talwar

> wrote:

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#### **VC No 9054ge**

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> To: Ali Van Zee

Wed, Jan 19, 2022 at 10:11 AM

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On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 3:12 PM Ali Van Zee <

wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Wed, Jan 19, 2022 at 10:10 AM

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On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 1:20 PM Steven Murphy <

> wrote:

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# Re: Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Wed, Jan 19, 2022 at 10:11 AM

To: Tridoshic 1

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On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 3:16 PM Tridoshic 1 <

> wrote:

Dear City Council Members,

I'm asking that you please do not renew the Griffith Park Pony Ride and Petting Zoo contract and further put a ban on this type of business in LA where sentient animals are subject to abuse and neglect in the name of "profitable entertainment". In a day and age where we have cars that drive themselves we should be evolving away from these obsolete cruel practices.

These animals are forced to have children and in some cases adults on their backs in 90+ degree weather without proper shade, water, or breaks. Some animals are strapped into a turnstile type "merry go round" forced to stand there and walk in circles for hours without any freedom to seek water or shade. During the Christmas week the ponies were observed standing in the cold rain without proper shelter and no hay to sleep on, just mud. They are treated as objects to make money off rather than conscious living beings that deserve respect and care. As a recent yelp reviewer named Shelley posted, "You can tell when animals are happy. The enslaved ponies look so sad and defeated in this terrible existence, being forced to carry people in circles all day in the heat for profit. Like they've given up on life. How is this even legal?! Anybody who cares about animals would never do this to them. It's all about the money."

Please watch the youtube video linked and ask yourself if LA should be supporting and profiting from this animal abuse along with getting potential lawsuits for endangering children.

Please stand on the right side of history by not renewing the GP Pony Rides contract, introducing a motion to ban pony rides in LA, and sending these poor abused animals to a sanctuary to live the rest of their lives in peace.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O3vkooqMbsE

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Wed, Jan 19, 2022 at 10:12 AM

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On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 3:54 PM Maria Amaral <

> wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Wed, Jan 19, 2022 at 10:15 AM

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On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 4:14 PM Lori Sholzberg <

> wrote:

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Wed, Jan 19, 2022 at 1:51 PM

Good afternoon,

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On Wed, Jan 19, 2022 at 11:02 AM Mike Fujimori <

> wrote:

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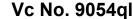
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VC No. 9054qk Christmas Robin, from an original mouth painting by Richard Wood Please! Stop the Grittith Park BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS It is not humane! 2022 JAN 21 PM 7:39 Do not renew the Los Angeles City Recand Parks Dept Office of Board of Commissioners contract! The Ponies belong in a Sanctuary! P.O. BOX 86328 Los Angeles, CA. 90086-0328

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# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

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

Tue, Jan 25, 2022 at 3:51 PM

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On Sat, Jan 22, 2022 at 11:11 PM Mars Green <

> wrote:

Hello.

This Is what goes on at the pony rides, Griffith Park

This person is much to heavy for the health and well being of this pony!

Respectfully,

MG

On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 11:41 AM Rap Commissioners <a href="mailto:rap.commissioners@lacity.org">rap.commissioners@lacity.org</a> wrote: Good morning,

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

# Re: Calling upon Commissioner of Rec and Park to not renew contract!

1 message

**Rap Commissioners** <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>
To: Elvia Sedano

Tue, Jan 25, 2022 at 3:52 PM

Good afternoon,

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On Tue, Jan 25, 2022 at 11:26 AM Elvia Sedano <

> wrote:

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#### Re: Trash in Westwood Park

1 message

Jen Ritchkoff <

Wed, Jan 19, 2022 at 11:30 AM

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

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## Re: Urgent in Westwood Park

1 message

Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 25, 2022 at 3:49 PM

To: Jen Ritchkoff < >

Cc: Shull <Michael.a.shull@lacity.org>, Jasmine Shamolian Deputy <Jasmine.Shamolian@lacity.org>, Brenda Aguirre <br/>
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> wrote:

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He's on the Veteran Avenue side of the park, he's always half naked, he will be obvious to you if someone can walk the park and help us ASAP

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# Re: URGENT! Bonin trying to turn Westminster Senior Center in to homeless shelter **AGAIN**

1 message

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On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 1:34 PM John Baginski

> wrote:

Here we go again...Bonin is up to more no-good dirty tricks.

https://www.westsidecurrent.com/news/bonin-breaches-lawsuit-settlement-designates-shelter-across-from-veniceelementary-school/article 5f935098-7750-11ec-9635-37842d32189e.html

Venice Kids Count managed to stop a homeless storage/navigation center from opening in the Westminster Senior Center a few years back. Our community raised and spent \$90K and a ton of human resources to reach a Settlement Agreement with the City that said that they would have to give us 60-day written notice for any use other than the center's intended use - recreation.

We just learned that the City has breached that contract and is using the Senior Center as headquarters for Urban Alchemy to conduct its homeless outreach program and will be used as a "Decompression Center" where homeless people who are experiencing psychotic breaks and drug/alcohol emergencies will be brought to decompress. According to sources in San Francisco who are familiar with Urban Alchemy's program, "decompression center" is another term for a "sobering center." While we know very little about how this would actually work and whether it would be beneficial or detrimental to the community, we do know that it is a clear Breach of our Settlement Agreement. We are preparing a Cease and Desist today with our legal team.

Here's where Bonin comes in and makes it even trickier and dirtier. Urban Alchemy, who was not aware of the Settlement Agreement, informed us that their "Decompression Center" plans have been postponed because they were just informed by Bonin's office that he will be placing a Winter Shelter in the Senior Center and they expect it to open THIS WEEK. No surprise, this usage would also be in clear Breach of the Settlement Agreement and the Cease & Desist notification will cover this as well.

We are delivering a Cease & Desist letter to the Mayor's office, Bonin's office, the City Attorney's office and Urban Alchemy ASAP. And once we see how this plays out, we will plan appropriate action.

Mike has got to go.

Please abide by your Settlement Agreement and leave the Westminster Senior Center for it intended purpose.

John Baginski

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, Kennedy Kimbell

# Re: Can you help please? Fwd: Happy Tuesday Fwd: REMINDER-Woodland Hills Volleyball Trophies, Medals and Pictures ARE IN!!!!

1 message

EmpowerLA@lacity.org,

<kennedy.kimbell@lacity.org>, RAP VNSORC <VANNUYSSHERMANOAKS.RECREATIONCENTER@lacity.org>,

Thank you Mr. De Hart!

I will wait for Lee to contact me. Then when it crosses my mind again because I get busy and we keep in mind this is my daughter's Volleyball team not my job or how I feed my daughter, hopefully she will contact me soon.

Thank you again for everything! I truly appreciate your time and humbled you address my issues.

Have a great finish to your week.

On Jan 18, 2022, at 11:39 AM, Rob De Hart <rob.dehart@lacity.org> wrote:

Mr. Basurto,

I've directed Lee to give you a call to answer any of your Woodland Hills Rec. Center programming questions.

I'm sorry that Supervisor Steve is unavailable at this time. If you need more support, I can assign a different Recreation Supervisor to help.

Rob De Hart Valley Region Superintendent Recreation Services / Muni Sports / Camps Department of Recreation and Parks City of Los Angeles

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Yet you keep telling me to deal with them and go back to them after having a horrible experience with them.

I'm a taxpayer I live in Woodland Hills that's my local Rec Center why am I As a volunteer coach and my players and their parents not treated better?

Why when we where representing the Woodland Hills and Rec Center did they treat us like the bad news Bears?

Kennedy went even as low and dirty as he kicking us their all-star team out of our own gym into the cold night during our scheduled practice time?

I look forward to your answers to these questions.

On Jan 18, 2022, at 10:00 AM, Rob De Hart <rob.dehart@lacity.org> wrote:

Hello Mr. Basurto,

Unfortunately, Steve is on leave taking care of personal issues. But regardless, for information on the Woodland Hills programs, I encourage you to write or speak with the Director-in-Charge, Lee Marks and/or the Recreation Coordinator, Kennedy Kimbell. They will know best the plans for programming at their center. Please keep in mind that in this time of COVID, nothing is certain with regards to moderate and high risk sports including Volleyball. Case-in-point, Rec. and Parks has postponed the start of our Winter sports one month (and possibly more) due to the recent surge. Just keep in mind that plans can change, that's all.

Congrats on the Club coaching. Many of our coaches and stronger athletes move to club programming after they get a taste of a sport through our Recreational programs and are looking for a higher level of play beyond recreational.

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On Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 10:44 AM Miles Basurto < Happy MLK day Mr. De Hart,

> wrote:

I hope all is well and the start of your new year was great.

I'm not sure if Mr. Cline is busy or on vacation however could you please help me find out what the Woodland Hills volleyball schedule will be for 2022 so that I can start to plan the year?

Something cool that came out of this year's All-Star's tournament was I was invited to coach for a club team so I want to use the opportunity to build at Woodland Hills something like they have for the Mason Volleyball program.

Thank you for your help, Coach Basurto

Begin forwarded message:

From: Miles Basurto < Date: January 11, 2022 at 10:17:21 AM PST

To: (Steve Cline LA Parks And Recs <steve.cline@lacity.org> Subject: Happy Tuesday Fwd: REMINDER-Woodland Hills Volleyball

## Trophies, Medals and Pictures ARE IN!!!!

Howdy Steve! How your been? Are you into college football? The game last night was entertaining.

It made me think of the volleyball season. Do you have more of an idea of when we could have volleyball leagues for Woodland Hills Rec Cebter?

Thank you for the update.

Begin forwarded message:

From: RAP Woodland Hills RC < woodlandhills.

recreationcenter@lacity.org>

Date: January 6, 2022 at 12:44:01 PM PST To: Miles Basurto <

Subject: REMINDER-Woodland Hills Volleyball Trophies,

Medals and Pictures ARE IN!!!!

The dates are unknown at this time.

Thank you

On Thu, Jan 6, 2022 at 12:40 PM Miles Basurto > wrote:

When is the next planned volley season? And volleyball schedule for 2022?

> On Jan 6, 2022, at 10:47 AM, RAP Woodland Hills RC < woodlandhills. recreationcenter@lacity.org> wrote:

Hello Woodland Hills Volleyball Families,

We wanted to send a friendly reminder that Volleyball Trophies, 1st place medals and pictures are in! Please feel free to come to the office during the hours listed below.

**Hours:** 

Monday -9am-8pm Tuesday-9am-8pm Wednesday 9am-8pm Thursday 9am-8pm Friday 9am-7pm Saturday 9am-5pm

\*Hours are subject to change

-Best Regards

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# Re: Church services at park

1 message

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To: Levi Zollinger >

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On Sun, Jan 23, 2022 at 11:38 AM Levi Zollinger <

> wrote:

Commissioners,

Why are there church services going on in the PUBLIC PARK system of Los Angeles? This is a violation of the First Amendment of the Constitution and separation of Church and State. Permitted or not. Have also seen this at Mac Arthur Park too. Can you explain to me this dangerous example of denying religious freedom to the rest of the park goers? Freedom of Religion means Freedom from Religion also. Expect lawsuits.

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1 message

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To: Elida Mendez < >

Tue, Jan 25, 2022 at 3:50 PM

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# Re: Community Wall Street pocket park

1 message

Elida Mendez < To: Rap Commissioners <rap.commissioners@lacity.org> Thu, Jan 27, 2022 at 4:33 PM

Thank you for your response.

Like I said before I need to submit a renovation request for the Wall Street community pocket park location on the 8620 S. Wall Street L.A, CA 90003

Please send me information le't bring hope to this pocket park.

There is budget for park renovation Please bring some changes to Wall Street community pocket park.

Let me know if you have any questions and what el do I have to do get fund for this park.

Thanks.

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# Re: Citywide tennis court problems

1 message

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On Thu, Jan 27, 2022 at 12:06 PM Bradley <

> wrote:

Hello:

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Thank you in advance and I look forward to your call at

**Bradley Sax** 

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# Re: George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon

1 message

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Fri, Jan 28, 2022 at 9:15 AM

To: Jeffrey Spitz <

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## **Jeffrey and Christina Spitz**

Friends St. residents, Pacific Palisades

January 27, 2022

Board of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Commissioners Michael Shull, General Manager, RAP Gary Lee Moore, City Engineer, Bureau of Engineering (BOE) Hon. Mike Bonin, Councilmember, CD 11 rapcommissioners@lacity.org michael.a.shull@lacity.org gary.lee.moore@lacity.org mike.bonin@lacity.org

Re: George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon (Park)

## City Officials:

On January 19, 2022, BOE produced numerous documents in response to Mr. Spitz's Public Records Act (PRA) request.<sup>1</sup> Our initial review of these documents reveals disturbing evidence of closed-door decision-making, willful disregard of community opinion, obfuscation, falsehoods and even likely Brown-Act violations underpinning the City's decision to open a Friends St. public entrance and close off the south/PCH entrance to Potrero Canyon at the Park's opening.

Among the documents produced is a November 12, 2020 email message from Pedro Garcia (former BOE engineer and immediate past Park project manager, now transferred to the General Services Dept.) to a concerned Friends St. resident, Marco Assante (who lives directly across from where the Friends St. gate and public entrance are proposed to be located). Attempting to justify the City's decision to open an entrance on Friends St., Mr. Garcia told Mr. Assante the following:

"This entrance has been part of the project for many years and has been presented at various community meetings and is supported by the Department of Recreation and Parks, Council District 11, and various community groups including the Pacific Palisades Community Council, the PP Park Advisory Board, and the Potrero Canyon Citizens Advisory Committee."

## *Virtually every statement in this message is false.* Here are the true facts:

# 1. Entrance part of the project for many years:

*Not so.* A west rim entrance/accessway has not been in any Coastal Development Permit for this project since 1993 (when RAP removed a "pathway to DePauw St." from prior plans, following strong public opposition by residents to any west rim entrance/accessway, as described in 1992 and 1993 Coastal Commission staff reports).

The entrance was not in the plans in 2013, when then-BOE project manager Robert Hancock, aware of the community's strongly expressed position against west rim access, stated in a written document (BOE spreadsheet entitled "50% Review Comments," produced by BOE in response to the PRA request) that "after a Community meeting the response was overwhelming that the local residents do not want access to the park along Friends Street. At this time pedestrian access along Friends St. is not a part of the plans" [Emphasis added].<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Additional documents are expected this week from RAP. We anticipate that these documents will confirm the concerning events and matters described in this letter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The "50% Review Comments" spreadsheet also stated that this was BOE's response to comments by the "Citizen's Advisory Committee," to the effect that there *should* be a gate and entrance on Friends St. ("Once the neighborhood")

The entrance was not included in a map/rendering shown by Mr. Hancock to PPCC in 2016 (see para. 2 below).

The entrance was not included in "100% plans" that Kristin Ly of BOE purported to send to the "Potrero Canyon Community Advisory Committee" for review in December 2019 (the actual PCCAC has been inactive since 2008).

Even well into 2020, the entrance was not included in Park plans. Rather, in 2020 BOE and RAP officials questioned whether a gate (but not a pathway) that designers had apparently inserted in prior landscape plans may have been intended solely as a *maintenance gate*. In late January 2020, officials acknowledged that RAP management would need to "be on board with access to Friends" (since a pathway was not in the prior plans). In April-May 2020, when the issue of whether this gate was intended solely for maintenance apparently remained undecided (and the "100% plans" still did not include a pathway), former PCCAC members *pressed BOE to add a pathway to the Friends St. gate in the final plans*.<sup>3</sup> As of June 2020, a pathway had apparently still not been included in the plans, and comments again were submitted asking for the pathway to be added. In or about September 2020, BOE began preparing the EIR Addendum, in which it included the utterly and demonstrably false statement that a "decomposed granite path" connecting "the entrance on Friends St." to Park trails had been studied in the 1985 EIR and that therefore further CEQA analysis was not required.

## 2. Entrance presented at various community meetings:

<u>Not so</u>. In 2016, Mr. Hancock, accompanied by Mr. Garcia, gave a presentation on the project to PPCC (the only such presentation made at PPCC since 2008), saying nothing about a gate/pathway or entrance on Friends St. (and showing a map/rendering of the project that included *no such gate/pathway or entrance*; the map was posted and remains posted on the PPCC website). In 2020, Mr. Garcia gave a presentation to the PP-PAB, again showing the same map that had been presented to PPCC in 2016 (and which CM Bonin had also publicly shown in 2019 and was posted on the CD 11 website), not referencing Friends St. as the location of any gate/pathway or entrance (according to

sees the park completed, they will want to walk there without having to drive to the Rec Center and parking in the inadequate parking there (spilling out to Alma Real).") Not only is this statement *not* a position ever taken by the PCCAC, it is <u>directly contrary</u> to the PCCAC's position, reflecting *community consensus*, as expressed in its last official statement: the final 2008 PCCAC report (Sec. 13c; see excerpt from the report on p. 6, following). Rather, this statement was the personal opinion of one former PCCAC member who had submitted, verbatim, the same exact comments in an individual document (also produced as part of the BOE PRA response) commenting on the "50% Drawings" (cut and pasted in the "50% Review Comments" spreadsheet).

"MUST HAVE A **PATH FOR A PEDESTRIAN ACCESS FROM THE FRIENDS GATE** TO THE BENCH AT THE CLOSEST TRAIL. THIS IS A PEDESTRIAN ACCESS POINT" [original comment by Mr. Card; all caps and bold font in original]. "\*\*\*Agreed that trail or stair case should lead from gate to park, as indicated in 2008 advisory committee report. Pedro [Mr. Garcia] will follow up with DBS and Dept of Disability to help ensure that either a staircase or a trail are located at a pedestrian access gate off of Friends Street."

The "agreement" is in fact NOT based on anything in the "2008 advisory committee report." Instead, the 2008 PCCAC report recommends the **exact opposite** of what was purportedly agreed on: "No new walkway/stairway easements for **West Rim public access.** The existing status quo to remain . . . ."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Minutes of a May 1, 2020 meeting among four former PCCAC members (David Card, Gil Dembo, Rob Weber, Bob Harter), City staff and RAP Commissioner Joe Halper, with Mr. Card's added "changes and additions," regarding "old comments that still apply to the '100% drawings,'" include the following:

available meeting minutes and reporting).<sup>4</sup> Mr. Garcia was listed on the agenda of a PP-PAB meeting to give an update on the project on November 17, 2021 but did not appear. There have been no meetings of the PCCAC since 2008.

We are not aware that City officials gave any presentations about a plan for a gate/pathway or entrance on Friends St. at any community meetings. Almost all major Palisades organizations are members of PPCC and none have reported publicly that such a presentation was ever given at their meetings – most of which are held privately.<sup>5</sup> In the 14 years since the 2008 PCCAC report was issued, neither BOE, RAP nor CD11 has ever noticed or scheduled a public community meeting with residents to discuss placement of a gate/pathway or entrance on Friends St., or the plan to close the south/PCH entrance at the Park's opening.<sup>6</sup>

# 3. Entrance supported by Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC):

<u>Not so</u>. The only position ever taken by PPCC on the Park was its motion passed in 2004, supporting the sale of rim lots to fund Park completion; calling for community input on the design; and stating that it would approve the sale of rim lots to fund Phase III (landscaping) only "after further input from the community is sought by the City regarding the design and plan," "PPCC approves of such design and plan," and the plan includes certain particulars, including an "EIR of project on abutting neighborhoods." [Emphasis added; see excerpt from the motion on p. 6, following.].

The City has not sought "further input" from the community on the current design and plan. PPCC has never approved any design or plan for the Park (no design or plan other than the map displayed in 2016, 2019 and 2020 has ever been shown to PPCC or the community). An EIR of the project on abutting neighborhoods (specifically as to opening a Friends St. entrance and closing the south/PCH entrance) has never been conducted, despite the false statement in the EIR Addendum. PPCC has never taken a position on west rim access. The 2008 PCCAC report specifically references the 2004 motion and likewise states that PCCAC "expects" that environmental and traffic studies of impact of the project on adjacent neighborhoods will be conducted (fairly read, the 2008 report calls for such studies of the impact on neighborhoods adjacent to Park entrances; see excerpts from the report on p. 6, following). We submit that if a position were ever to be taken by PPCC on this subject (or if a new position were to be taken by PCCAC, assuming the committee still exists), that could only occur

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The map clearly does depict an open entrance at the south/PCH end of the canyon, connecting to a trail running west along PCH to the PCH/Temescal Canyon intersection – one of the PCCAC's 2008 recommendations, to provide access to the beach. The trail's current status is unknown.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> In 2014, Temescal Canyon Association (TCA; a PPCC member) stated in a letter to CM Bonin that it supported greater public access to the Park; the same position is expressed on its website. We assume that consistent with its position, TCA would not support the plan to close the south/PCH entrance and thus *close public access to/from the coast*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> In late June 2021, some rim residents received written notices from the landscaping company, advising that the Park's landscaping would begin on August 12. These notices said nothing about construction of a gate/entrance or pathway on Friends St. or about the planned fencing off/closure of the south/PCH entrance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> As noted in earlier correspondence, until recent disturbing events compelled her to speak out, Ms. Spitz had not commented publicly on these issues since 2014, when she became PPCC Chair and was advised that she should remain neutral as PPCC had not taken a position on west rim access. As clearly stated in its Mission Statement and Bylaws, PPCC does not take policy positions unless there is community consensus, reflected by a 2/3 vote of its Board. Community consensus on the issue of west rim access was ascertained and reflected in the 2008 PCCAC report. Current community consensus (if different) has not been ascertained.

(consistent with their public positions) after sufficient environmental impact studies had been conducted.<sup>8</sup>

## 4. Entrance supported by the Potrero Canyon Community Advisory Committee (PCCAC):

Not so. The 2008 PCCAC report with its clear-cut recommendation – no new easements for west rim public access; status quo to remain; possible consideration only much later, "if there is public support" (Sec. 13c) – was and is a public document in the possession of and known to CD 11, BOE and RAP (as well as Messrs. Card, Weber, Dembo and Harter, who are all former members of PCCAC). CM Bonin and his representatives over the years have called the report (unchanged since 2008) the "guidance," the "guidelines" or the "blueprint" for Park design. At a public PPCC board meeting on June 27, 2019, CM Bonin stated: "City is adhering to the guidance from the [PCCAC's] 2008 recommendations." All responsible parties knew that the PCCAC had not met since 2008 and had not changed its recommendations. Any suggestion to the contrary – that an entrance on Friends St. and/or closure of the south/PCH entrance was or is supported by PCCAC – was clearly and demonstrably false.

## 5. Entrance supported by the Pacific Palisades Park Advisory Board (PP-PAB):

Not so. We are confident that the PP-PAB has never taken a position on this subject. For many years, its members have repeatedly declined to consider action on matters involving Potrero Canyon, based on uncertainty over the board's jurisdiction (including a request by Mr. Card in 2020 to take a position on homeowner encroachments into the canyon). On January 29, 2020, the board passed only this motion: "This board will take up any matter that arises from Potrero Canyon that may directly impact the quality of this park." At its November 17, 2021 meeting (at which Mr. Garcia was scheduled but did not appear), the board again expressed doubt as to the extent of its jurisdiction (as it had on several other prior occasions) and did not take up the question of west rim access after Mr. Spitz raised concerns during public comment about the plan to install an entrance on Friends St. (then-new information for PP-PAB board members).

What was the basis for the untrue statements in Mr. Garcia's message to Mr. Assante? He and other City officials involved with this project (Officials) knew of the actual community consensus position stated in the 2008 PCCAC report. Officials knew that the PCCAC was a Brown-Acted committee which had not held a public meeting since 2008 and that the PCCAC's position consequently was unchanged. Officials knew or should have known that neither PPCC nor the PP-PAB had taken a position on public west rim access. Officials knew that the City had never provided any public notice to the community to present a west rim access proposal, nor held a public meeting on the subject, nor had (or has, to date) the City explained the decision to open a public entrance on Friends St. (or to close the south/PCH entrance) at a PPCC or PP-PAB meeting or in any other public forum.

What has become abundantly clear is that three or four former PCCAC members have been meeting privately for many years with Officials (including RAP Commissioner Halper), purporting to give "advice" (including promoting a Friends St. public entrance), in direct contravention of the actual PCCAC position. 

General PCCAC position.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> As the principal author of over 30 letters/statements submitted in 2021 on behalf of PPCC in opposition to the Bonin motion regarding homeless housing at state beaches – which repeatedly emphasized PPCC's position in *support of the Coastal Act mandate of preserving coastal access* – Ms. Spitz believes that if the matter of closure of the south/PCH entrance were to come before the PPCC Board, consistent with its past position, the Board would not support closing off that entrance preventing coastal access from/to the Park.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> We appreciate the donation of time and services by Mr. Card and others who may have assisted the City with respect to *landscape design matters that are within their expertise*. However, as previously pointed out, the PCCAC is "inactive" (described as such on the PPCC website, in language approved by Mr. Card as PPCC Chair, by George Wolfberg ((Mr.

highly impactful decision to close off the south/PCH entrance to the canyon at the Park's opening – preventing public access to the coast – has never been shared or explained openly with the community, nor have the impacts of such a closure ever been studied.

On behalf of the many west rim residents who have now spoken out against these decisions and are seeking answers – and in light of what we have now learned from the BOE documents – we implore the City to: 1) temporarily pause work on the Friends St. accessway and refrain from installing any permanent closed fencing at the south/PCH entrance; 2) promptly hold a public meeting with the community to explain these decisions and ascertain whether there is indeed community support; and 3) reverse course if in fact it is demonstrated that significant community support does not exist.

In no event should the City move forward with either of these plans until sufficient traffic and other environmental studies are conducted and Coastal Commission permission is obtained.

We see no reason why landscaping work on the remainder of the Park (which we support) could not continue and be completed while these two matters (Friends St. public access opening and south/PCH entrance closing) are temporarily paused in order to allow for:

- public explanation and transparency,
- ascertainment of the actual extent of community support,
- sufficient study of impacts on the adjoining neighborhoods (as called for by both PPCC and the PCCAC).

Numerous prior requests for action by City officials – our own requests and those of other concerned residents – have unfortunately gone unheeded. We again ask for your prompt response and hope that you will not continue to ignore our reasonable requests.

Jeffrey Spitz and Christina Spitz

30-year residents of Friends St., Pacific Palisades

(For identification only: Ms. Spitz is a former PCCAC member and current PPCC Secretary and Chair Emeritus)

cc (via email): A.P. Diaz, RAP; Cathie Santo Domingo, RAP; Daryll Ford, RAP; Norman Mundy, BOE; Patrick Schmidt, BOE; Kristen Ly, BOE; Noah Fleishman, CD 11; West rim residents

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As Officials well knew, the PCCAC was created by the City Council and subject to the Brown Act. To the extent these former PCCAC members offered their personal opinions as those of the PCCAC or led Officials to believe that the PCCAC position on west rim access is anything other than as expressed in its 2008 report, or if their advice exceeded the boundaries of PCCAC's actual position – and if they told Officials that these positions (not in the 2008 report) were the current positions of the community as a whole – this would have been based on falsehoods and raises ethical and legal questions not only about the conduct and violations of the Brown Act, but also the legitimacy of the resulting decisions.

The January 3, 2022 letter to Officials from Mr. Card, Mr. Weber and Mr. Dembo – improperly using the City seal (proscribed by LAMC Sec. 68.108) and purported PCCAC letterhead, thus cloaking themselves in the authority of the PCCAC when the letter itself and its contents (including unfounded accusations against residents) had not been authorized by (or even divulged to) other former PCCAC members or in any public meeting of the PCCAC – underscores the gravity of the matter and further demonstrates how these individuals have apparently been presenting personal opinions as PCCAC-authorized "advice," while not complying with the Brown Act public meetings mandate.

## Excerpts from the 2008 PCCAC report and 2004 PPCC motion

# 2008 PCCAC report excerpts:

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"The PCCAC took guidance from the following motion unanimously adopted on May 27 by the Pacific Palisades Community Council . . ." [motion language quoted; excerpts below] (Background Summary, p. 2).

"[Cross-reference to PPCC bullet items"]: "Item: EIR of project on abutting neighborhoods. See preamble" (Background Summary, p. 3).

# "13. Access to the Canyon:

c. <u>West Rim Easements</u>: No new walkway/stairway easements for West Rim public access. The existing status quo will prevail, though this issue may be considered again much later in the process of lot sales and park construction if there is public support . . ." (p. 4).

## 2004 PPCC motion excerpt:

"The Pacific Palisades Community Council

. . .

- 2. Supports the sale of a sufficient number, but no more, of the City owned developed (improved) lots in Potrero Canyon to fund the completion of Phase II, but not Phase III;
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From PPCC meeting minutes, May 27, 2004 (posted at www.pacpalicc.org)

End of excerpts.



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All -

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Sincerely,

Peter Longo

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To Jeffry Spitz, et al:

I own the home at 15275 Friends Street, and have owned it since 1979.

I am in full agreement with all of the positions taken by Jeffrey Spitz in his various communications, and I am aware that there has never been approval at any level for an entrance or exit via Friends Street. I find it outrageous that the City of Los Angels has now brought up the issue as if it had been approved. That there is work going on there now, to put in such an entrance/exit, I find to be a unpardonable and a betrayal of the homeowners' trust, in a project that has so complicated and interfered with our lives for decades.

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