

EXHIBITS TO SIGN MOTION

PPCC Agenda
June 8, 2023



George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon

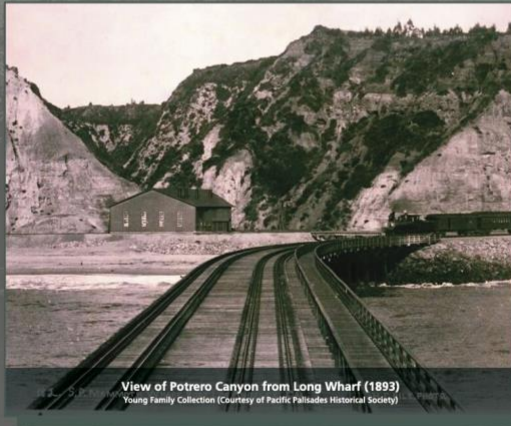


Canyon History

- 1900 - 1920s – Potrero Canyon was surrounded by agricultural land and open fields.
- 1920s - 1950s – The Canyon was increasingly surrounded by residential and commercial development.
- 1950s - 1980s – Homes along the rim of the Canyon experienced varying degrees of damage due to erosion and instability of the Canyon slopes. The City of L.A. purchased the Canyon land in 1964.
- 1980s - 2022 – After a lawsuit settlement, the City purchased multiple residential lots along the rim of the Canyon and developed a plan to stabilize the slopes and restore habitat in the Canyon. The park you see today is the result of those efforts.

Historia del Cañón

- 1900 - 1920s – El Cañón del Potrero estaba rodeado de tierras agrícolas y campos abiertos.
- 1920s - 1950s – El Cañón estaba cada año más rodeado por el desarrollo residencial y comercial.
- 1950s - 1980s – Las casas alrededor del Cañón fueron dañadas debido a la erosión e inestabilidad de las laderas del Cañón. La ciudad de Los Ángeles compró los terrenos del Cañón en 1964.
- 1980s - 2022 – Después de un acuerdo judicial, la Ciudad compró múltiples lotes residenciales alrededor del Cañón y desarrolló un plan para estabilizar las laderas y restaurar el hábitat del Cañón. El parque que se ve hoy es el resultado de esos esfuerzos.

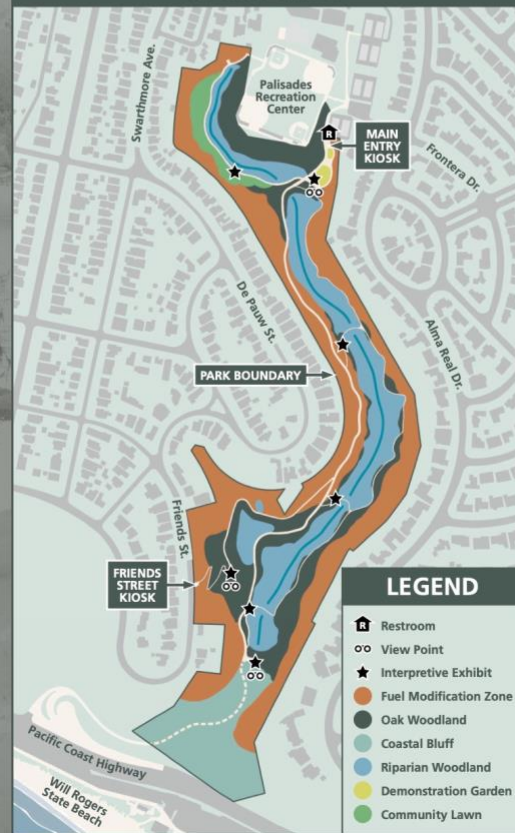


View of Potrero Canyon from Long Wharf (1893)
Young Family Collection (Courtesy of Pacific Palisades Historical Society)



Potrero Canyon construction site (2019)
Photo by Richard Fisher

PARK MAP





GEORGE WOLFBERG PARK
at Potrero Canyon

PASSIVE PARK



Enjoy your visit!

Meet George Wolfberg



The Wizard of the Palisades



George cherished his wife Diane, their three children, and extended family.
Photo credit: David Davies

Potrero Canyon Park was born under the careful guidance and leadership of George S. Wolfberg. A renowned public servant and Pacific Palisades community volunteer, George devoted his life to the people and open spaces of Los Angeles. He treasured our City's multicultural fabric and advocated for accessible parks, beaches, bike paths, and nature trails for all to enjoy.

As the City of Los Angeles Chief Administrative Analyst, George worked in quiet ways leaving an enduring mark. In preparing the successful bid for the 1984 Olympics, he added women's cycling. He also implemented a contracting policy modeled throughout North America to see an end to Apartheid in South Africa.

As Chair of the Potrero Canyon Community Advisory Committee, George led a collaborative, community-driven effort that spanned decades. In addition to his wealth of experience working for the City, his toolkit included active engagement, perseverance, a steady temperament, and a deep well of patience. Under his guidance, the park not only serves area residents but also provides a destination for all Angelenos. George embodied what any citizen and activist can achieve. He strove to leave everything he touched better than he found it. We invite you to do the same and to enjoy your visit here.

April 22, 1938 - February 5, 2020

For more details visit:
www.wolfbergparkpotrero.org



El Mago de las Palisades



Nationally certified, George refereed thousands of games in the Palisades area.
Photo Credit: Rich Schmitt Photography

Potrero Canyon Park nació bajo la atenta dirección y liderazgo de George S. Wolfberg. Funcionario público de renombre y voluntario de la comunidad de Pacific Palisades, George dedicó su vida a la gente y a los espacios abiertos de Los Ángeles. Atesoró el tejido multicultural de nuestra ciudad y abogó por parques, playas, carriles bici y senderos naturales accesibles para el disfrute de todos.

Como Analista Administrativo Jefe de la Ciudad de Los Ángeles, George trabajó de forma discreta dejando una huella perdurable. En la preparación de la exitosa candidatura para los Juegos Olímpicos de 1984, añadió el ciclismo femenino. También puso en marcha una política de contratación que sirvió de modelo en toda Norteamérica para ver el fin del apartheid en Sudáfrica.

Como Presidente del Comité Asesor Comunitario de Potrero Canyon, George dirigió un esfuerzo de colaboración impulsado por la comunidad que se prolongó durante décadas. Además de su dilatada experiencia trabajando para la ciudad, su kit de herramientas incluía un compromiso activo, perseverancia, un temperamento firme y una gran paciencia. Bajo su dirección, el parque no sólo sirve a los residentes de la zona, sino que también es un destino para todos los angelinos. George encarnaba lo que cualquier ciudadano y activista puede conseguir. Se esforzaba por dejar todo lo que tocaba mejor de lo que lo encontró. Le invitamos a hacer lo mismo y a disfrutar de su visita.

22 de abril de 1938 - 5 de febrero de 2020

Existing RAP Sign at Potrero – suggested edits/additions:

- ① NO FIREARMS OR FIREWORKS.
LAMC 63.44.B.21
- ② LAMC 63.44.P.1



- ③ NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES.
RIDE BIKES, E-BIKES AND OTHER NON-MOTORIZED VEHICLES ON MAIN SERVICE ROAD ONLY.
LAMC 63.44.B.16 LAMC 63.44.B.7

Changes proposed to the Rules sign

Notes re suggested revisions to existing RAP sign:

- 1) Delete:** “No blocking pathways,” etc. – *the cited LAMC provision has been **suspended**.*

Add: “No firearms or fireworks” (with citation to LAMC 63.44.B.21).

That section provides:

63.44.B.21:

“No person shall carry or discharge any firearms, firecrackers, fireworks, rockets, model rockets, torpedoes, airgun or slingshot.”

- 2) Delete:** “except on approved portable stoves or hearths” – *there are **no approved portable stoves or hearths in Potrero**.*

Add: Additional citation to LAMC 63.44.P.1.

That section provides:

64.44.P.1 –

“P. Within the limit of any park designated by this subsection as being in a high fire hazard zone and between April 1 and November 1 of each year:

1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, no person shall light, ignite, set fire to, or burn any substance, or maintain an open flame of any kind for any purpose, including but not limited to cooking and barbecuing, except in areas specifically designated and posted to allow open flames.”

[Note also: “Potrero Canyon Park” is designated under LAMC 63.44.P.3 as one of the LA parks located in a “high fire hazard zone.”]

- 3) Delete:** “No events may extend into tree,” etc. – *citation unknown, no such LAMC provision.*

Add: “No motorized vehicles,” etc., with additional relevant citations.

Those sections provide:

63.44.B.16 –

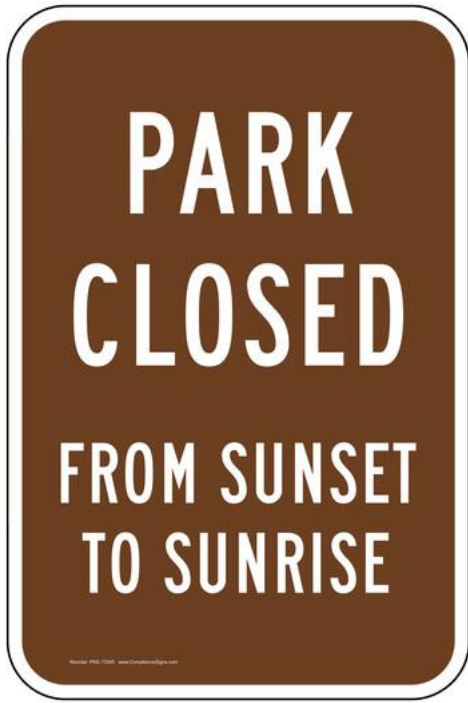
“No person shall drive or ride any cycle or vehicle, whether powered by a motor or human power, except on paths, roads or drives designed and provided for such purposes.”

64.44.B.7 –

“No person shall use any area or facility set aside, used, maintained or designated for a specific recreational or park purpose by the Board, Department or Commission, where reasonable notice of such designation or purpose is given by signs posted thereon, for a purpose contrary to or inconsistent with such specific or designated purpose.”



Current Rules sign in the Park now



**PARK
CLOSED**

**FROM SUNSET
TO SUNRISE**

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