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June 20, 2018

Honorable Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners
221 No. Figueroa Street – Third Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Commissioners,

The Potrero Canyon Community Advisory Committee (PCCAC) supports the award of the Potrero Canyon Park grading project contract (ref 18-124) at today's board meeting. This is a major step in fulfilling the PCCAC's (and the community's) vision for a 40 acre passive park with trails extending from the Palisades Recreation Center to Pacific Coast Highway. The committee held monthly meetings for nearly three years to obtain community input and develop our vision. This process also took into account the requirements and preferences of the California Coastal Commission, City officials and staff. Much of the funding for this project comes from the sale of homes and residential lots owned by the City along the canyon rim.

Today's action assures the grading of the canyon and preparation for the landscaping that will inform the beauty of this facility. I am here today to urge you in the strongest possible terms to expedite the follow-up contract. The sooner the landscaping contract is awarded, the sooner the contractor can begin the growing of the trees and plants that will fill the canyon. Growing now will ensure not only the availability of the plants for this huge park, but also that the landscape is more able to quickly take hold and beautify this wonderful resource. Further, upon award of the landscape contract, we will know the balance in the Potrero Trust Fund available for installation of a walk bridge for safe crossing of six lanes of Highway 1 to complete the trail to the actual sand.

Sincerely,

George Wolfberg
Chairman

cc- Honorable Mike Bonin, via email
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Pacific Palisades Community Council, attn. Maryam Zar, Chair, via email